

**The Parish of Guilden Sutton
Annual Parish Meeting
Wednesday 2nd April 2025 at 7.00PM – at Guilden Sutton Village Hall**

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Approval of the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 3rd April 2024
3. Chairman's Report 2024-2025
4. Open Session

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Chairman of the Parish Council

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MINUTES

Chairman: Cllr D Hughes

Present: Cllrs Littlewood, Ringstead, Paterson, M Parker. Former Cllr Moulton.
Mr Peacock, Ms Downing and Mr Norrie, and 4 members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Whelan and G Heatley

2. Approval of the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 10th May 2023

It was proposed by Cllr Paterson, seconded by Cllr Ringstead and agreed that the minutes of the 2023 Annual Parish meeting be agreed as a true record of the meeting.

3. Chairman's Report 2023-2024

Cllr Hughes provided a report on the Council's activities for 2023-24.

4. Open Session

Mrs Downing asked for an update on the date when the funding for the Wildflower Garden will be release and Cllr Hughes explained that this will need to be done once the amends to the contract have been agreed with Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWAC)

Mr Peacock asked for an update on progressing a footpath along Station Lane and Cllr Littlewood said there would be an update in the Parish Council meeting.

Mrs. Downing asked if the Parish Council was aware of a public enquiry relating to a planning appeal from a commercial premises and how members of the public in the local area would be notified. Cllr Hughes confirmed that the Parish Council was not aware. Cllr Parker confirmed a public enquiry will take place and advised that those members of the public who had been in touch with CWaC regarding this matter should be contacted.

Mr. Lewin asked about the council's future plans for the next year. Cllr Paterson confirmed there was a new sustainability group led by Cllr Whelan. Cllr Hughes highlighted that the purchase of land is always a key focus on the Parish Council's agenda. Cllr Ringstead said the Parish Council wanted to look at continuing to expand the bus service, using recent insights from the transport research survey.

A member of the public asked about how long the new bus service would run for and Cllr Ringstead confirmed that the Parish Council has not been aware of a time-limit to the new service, but frequent use of the service will be needed to sustain its survival.

Mr Peacock said he had observed that the Parish Council meeting minutes had not been visible on noticeboards recently and are challenging to find on the website. Mr. Peacock asked if it would be possible for minutes to be shared earlier and posted somewhere more visible. Cllr Paterson said there were time restraints on when meeting notes can be produced, as had been explained previously. Cllr Hughes said he would take the comments on visibility of minutes to the Clerk for discussion.

Meeting Closed 1922