

Stanwick Parish Council

Annual Newsletter

April 2016

Welcome to the twelfth annual newsletter from the Parish Council. This newsletter gives a brief summary of the activities of the Council over the past twelve months.

Your Parish Council has 7 members: Amanda Michel (Chair), Dave Munday (Vice Chair), Sylvia Glanville-Hughes, Sue Kitchener, Mark Partrick, Nick Peck and Graham Roberts.

Minutes of Council meetings can be viewed at Stanwick Village Hall, Raunds Library and on line at the Council website www.stanwickparishcouncil.org.uk or alternatively contact the Council Clerk.

In April 2015 a new format for the Annual Parish Meeting was trialled as '**Stanwick Showcase**'. It was considered a success by those who attended and it is hoped that this success can be built on in future years. The 2016 event will be held on 21st April.

How we spend your money

The Accounts will be audited over the summer and will be available on the Council website in due course.

The Council gave careful consideration to the budget for 2016/17 and has been able to freeze the precept levy at the same level as 2015/16.

Shaping the future of Stanwick - Stanwick Neighbourhood Plan

A great deal of work has gone into the Neighbourhood Plan during 2015. This is culminating in the Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Document that has been distributed to every house in Stanwick.

It is vitally important that everyone takes the opportunity to complete the feedback form, either on line or the paper version.

This is your chance to influence the future development over the next 15 years.

www.stanwickneighbourhoodplan.org.uk

2015 A winning year for Stanwick

After securing £50,000.00 funding through the ITV Peoples Millions, the **allotments and community garden** are taking shape. The Community Garden is an outdoor community resource, where people of all ages, and from all walks of life, get together to develop and maintain an inspiring green space. If you would like to get involved email stanwickcgg@gmail.com or call Dave on 07920095981

New play equipment for the recreation ground. Following the public consultation in the autumn, the Council has selected a supplier and secured a grant for £37,500.00 towards the cost. Work will start soon.

New planters on Spencer Parade. We have installed four planters in front of the Bistro to enhance the appearance of the centre of the village and to preserve the footpath for pedestrians.

Stanwick was **highly commended** in the Northamptonshire Village of the Year Competition.

Future meetings of the Parish Council

All Council meetings start at 7.15 p.m. and are held in the Committee Room of the Village Hall. The dates for the coming year are 19th May, 21st July, 15th Sept, 17th Nov, 19th Jan 2017 and 16th March 2017.

Additional meetings may be called in between these dates, particularly to consider planning applications. These will be advertised on the notice board and the website.

Members of the public are always welcome to come and listen at meetings. There is an opportunity to speak at the meeting and further information can be obtained from the Clerk.

Dog fouling & litter: don't let it be a blight.

Sadly dog fouling and litter continues to be a significant problem in some areas. Dog mess is both unpleasant and a health hazard. Please use the dog bins for bagged dog waste.

Authorized officers can patrol parks and open spaces and specific areas where dog fouling has been reported. You can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of £75 if you do not clean up after your dog.

If you witness someone letting their dog foul without cleaning it up afterwards in a public place, you should report this to the dog warden with as much information as possible. For more information please contact East Northamptonshire Council on 01832 742000 or see www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk

Community Speed Watch

We are sponsoring Stanwick's participation in the scheme for 2016. It is a volunteer programme, run between the Police, Northamptonshire County Council and Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE).

The programme aims to increase the awareness of the dangers of speeding through education. Drivers detected for speeding receive a Police Warning letter and their records are held to identify any repeat offenders.

To take part, please get in contact with the parish clerk by email or call 01933 461868.



How to apply or find out more about becoming a Police Special:

E: Specialrecruitment@northants.pnn.police.uk

T: 101 ext 341944

www.northants.police.uk/specials

Don't get a ticket!

Yellow line parking restrictions apply to the whole of the highway on the side that they are marked including any footway or verge. Civil Enforcement can issue tickets with penalty charges of up to £70.00.

Under highway law, it is illegal to park a vehicle so that it obstructs other people wanting to use a road or path. It is also illegal to obstruct a private entrance.

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