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# GREAT SOMERFORD (INCORPORATING STARTLEY) PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting 8 May 2024 @ 7.30 pm In the Community Room (further to the APM of the same date)

### Present

Cllr T Barker  
Cllr H Evans  
Cllr J Harper  
Cllr T Harrison

Cllr H Gravell  
Cllr M Griffiths  
Cllr T Sturgis  
Cllr D Todd

### In attendance

H Wallace (Clerk)  
Wilts Cllr E Threlfall

3 members of public

### Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Councillors

1. Declarations It was **noted** that all Councillors have signed these as members of the Parish Council in 2021 following election or in 2022, 2023, 2024, following co-option.

### Election of Chairman & Declaration of Acceptance of Office for 2023/24

2. Elections Cllr Griffiths was unanimously **re-elected** as the Chairman. Proposed: Cllr T Sturgis; seconded: Cllr Gravell.

### Election of Vice-Chairman & Declaration of Acceptance of Office for 2023/24

Cllr T Sturgis was unanimously **re-elected** as the Vice-Chairman. Proposed: Cllr Griffiths; seconded: Cllr Harrison.

### Apologies for Absence – None

3. Apologies

### Declaration(s) of Interest (Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007).

4. Declarations of Interest There were no Declarations of Interest relating to any matter being considered by the meeting.

### Councillor Areas of Special Responsibility

5. Responsibilities

The Councillors approved the areas of special interest and responsibilities as updated and published on the website.

6. Objectives

### Strategic Objectives for the Council until May 2025

The Council **decided** that the key strategic objective for the remainder of its term is to:

- identify how the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) monies shall be spent and to ensure that the project(s) are agreed and committed, commenced/are underway or completed
- pursue the aim to create a recreation area for the village
- make a concerted effort to act on and support the wishes and concerns of parishioners as brought to the Parish Council.

**Action: All**

7. Public  
Participation

**Public Participation at Council meetings**

The Parish Council considered that the rights of the public should remain unchanged: i.e. 10 minute Open Forum session at the start of each meeting plus 3 minute for any individual to make representations about planning matters before the Council.

The Annual Parish Council meeting closed at 9.12pm

**Approved** ..... **Chair** **Date** .....