



PARISH of KEEVIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COMMUNITY MEETING

Friday 23 May 2025 in the village hall

Present: Councillors Pat Tucker (Chair) and Caroline Munday, Sarah Dow (Clerk) and 21 parishioners.

In attendance: 2 members of public including FOKS Chair Caroline Noonan, and Cllr Andrew Griffin (WC).

1. **Apologies:** Noted from Councillor Meatyard, Alex Goodwin, and Andrea Van Poeteren.
2. **Minutes of the Annual Parish Community Meeting of 24 May 2024:** Proposed by Mr. Paul Lenaerts and seconded by Mr. Steve Roberts all agreed that the Chair sign the minutes as a correct record.
3. **Community platform**
 - Geoff West talked about Keevil Roots in September, emphasising the music festival was free entry for all, and thanking everyone for supporting fundraising events. He welcomed approaches from anyone who'd like a stall or to run an activity, or could spare a few hours to volunteer on the day | keevilroots.org.uk.
 - Paul Lenaerts and Liz Tyler talked about Keevil's Neighbourhood Watch (described as 'organised neighbourliness') - Liz has taken over as Village Co-Ordinator, with Paul remaining lead on his patch and managing the database. Liz thanked Paul for his years of dedication, and was presented with the keys to the Stocks! | keevilvillage.com/information/neighbourhood-watch/.
 - Rob Kevan gave a brief update on the imminent new in-ground trampoline which was expected in June.
 - Jane Knowles gave an update on the St Leonard's Midsummer and Open Gardens event in June on behalf of the PCC, emphasising the desire to do something different this year to raise funds towards the £80-100k needed to repair the church roof | keevilvillage.com/whats-on/fete-and-family-fun-day.
Jane also spoke about the now 20-strong Keevil Singers, encouraging anyone to come along at 6.45pm on Mondays to join in | keevilvillage.com/groups-services/choir/ | plus the Keevil WI where members seem to have a lot of fun and occasionally wine! | keevilvillage.com/groups-services/keevil-wi/.
 - Caroline Noonan talked about the School and the work of FOKS, and thanked everyone for the continued support of the village for the Scarecrow Trail, which had another successful year.
 - Diane Bouault said Keevil & Steeple Ashton Guides would close in July after 50 years. Brownies and Rainbows will continue, but the nearest Guiding units will be Paxcroft, Hilperton or Trowbridge.
 - Simon Van Poeteren gave a brief update on the Poop Bag volunteer scheme on behalf of Andrea.
 - Cllr Andrew Griffin introduced himself as the new unitary authority member for Keevil.

4. Report from the Chair of the Parish Council

Cllr Tucker thanked everyone for coming, and especially for their contributions to the Parish Meeting. Referring to the Parish Council's Annual Report for 2024-25, she summarised the Chairs report and highlighted many of the Council's achievements over the last four years.

Copies of the Report were available to those present, downloads are available from the PC website and at keevilvillage.com/parish-matters/annual-parish-community-meeting/ or from the Parish Clerk.

There being no further matters arising from the floor, the Chair closed the meeting at 19:55.

Signed..... Dated.....

Cllr Rob Banfield, Vice-Chair of the Council and Meeting Chair 29 May 2026