

Stanstead St Margaret's Parish Council

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**Minutes of the meeting held at 7.30pm
In the Nigel Copping Community Hall on**

9th January 2018

	Action
<p>Councillors present Nigel Copping – Chair Roger Chapman Martin Robinson Clare Maynard Cathal Brennan Nick Cox (co-opted at meeting)</p> <p>Mike Allen – East Herts Council</p>	
86/17/18 Public Forum – There were no members of the public present	
<p>87/17/18 Apologies – June Robinson – not well, Cllrs wish to send her good wishes for a speedy recovery</p>	
<p>88/17/18 Declaration of Interest Nigel Copping is a Trustee of St Margaretsbury Trust.</p>	
89/17 /18The Minutes of the meeting of Stanstead St Margaret's Parish Council on 22nd November 2017 were confirmed as a record of the meeting.	
<p>90/17/18 Co-option of New Councillor Nicholas Cox was unanimously elected to the council and signed the acceptance of office – Welcome Cllr Cox</p>	
<p>91/17/18 Financial and budget</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The bank reconciliations 2. Payments were agreed 3. The grant to the Parish Magazine is no longer needed 	
<p>92/17/18 New Data Protection Legislation Cllrs are aware that there are changes to Data Protection legislation in May 2018, and the need for the Parish Council to appoint a Data Protection Officer, but note there is currently no consensus about who should perform this role. They await further guidance from HAPTC.</p>	
<p>92/17/18 Bank account – Nigel DOB – Clare DOB It was resolved to open an account with the Unity Trust Bank, with all current Cllrs as signatories. This will enable payments to be made by bank transfer. Internet payments to be authorised by 2 Cllrs. All current Cllrs to be able to authorise internet payments</p>	
<p>93/17/18 Budget for 2018-19 was agreed Precept for 2018-19 was set at £8500.00</p>	
<p>94/17/18 Planning Applications: 3/17/2307/HH: Proposed single storey rear extension. AT: 15 Robin Close Stanstead Abbots Ware Hertfordshire SG12 8TX Decisions – none</p>	
<p>95/17/18 Rattys Lane Incinerator application Meeting on 20th December attended by Cllr Chapman Nick Cox represented St Margarets, and spoke to the meeting against the application. The application has now been called in by Sajid Jarvid the Secretary of State for communities and Local Government we await further information.</p>	
<p>96/17/18 The Quarry Cllrs are aware of the growing Facebook campaign to stop the proposed Briggens estate quarry and expressed their support.</p>	

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<p>97/17/18 Review of Christmas 2017 It was agreed that the Christmas tree outside the Nigel Copping Hall was well received and appreciated by local residents. It was resolved to give £50 to the CVS as a contribution to the cost of erecting and lighting the tree. It was noted with approval that there were Christmas lights on the High St this year. It was resolved to give Stanstead Abbots Parish Council £250.00 towards the cost of providing these lights</p>	
<p>98/17/18 To suggest items for the agenda for the next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on 6th February at 7.30 in The Nigel Copping Hall. All agenda items to be forwarded to the Clerk no later than 30th January.</p>	

Signed..... **Date**.....
Nigel Copping, Chairman