

**MINUTES OF SPARKFORD ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7 MAY 2025 AT 7.30PM**

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Present: Mr K Flood – Chair, Mr D Hazell, Mr L Piper, Mr R Squires,  
Mr T Tuck, Mr D Westwood  
In attendance: Mrs A Tuck, Cllr Henry Hobhouse, 3 members of the public

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**1 Welcome by the Chair**

Ken Flood welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2 Parish Council Accounts 2024-25**

The accounts were circulated in advance of the meeting however the date at the bottom of the accounts was 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025 so it was decided to defer the accounts until the next meeting.

**3 Somerset Councillors report**

Cllr Henry Hobhouse informed Councillors that the App for the River Cam flooding was active and will be available at the next meeting. S19 reports are not being re-written but Port Folio holders agreed they are useless. A proforma report will be written for areas where more than 10 houses are flooded and that will be the basis of future flooding. HH is on the committee. The finances are precarious but Somerset had a good 151 Officer on a temporary basis who managed to save money. There is a new temporary 151 Officer now. In April the government allowed children's Social Care to go into debt which will need to be repaid. They are slowly getting the expenditure for adult social care under control.

**4 Sparkford Parish Council report – Ken Flood**

Ken Flood presented his report.

**5 Reports were received by each of the following groups:**

The Playing Field Association  
The Parish Hall Committee  
St. Mary's Church  
The Copse Trust  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sparkford Scout Group

The meeting closed at 8.00pm