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TO ALL MEMBERS OF PATTINGHAM AND PATSHULL PARISH COUNCIL, THE PRESS AND THE PUBLIC

You are invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting of Pattingham and Patshull Parish Council to be held at 7.30pm on Monday 14th April 2025, in The Small Hall at Pattingham Village Hall.

Yours faithfully

Cllr A Freeman

Chairman of the Council

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the previous meetings held on the 15th April 2024
3. To discuss any matters arising from the previous Annual Parish Meeting of the 15th April 2024
4. Report of the Chairman
5. Parish Reports
6. Matters raised by the public present
7. Date of next APM meeting – 13th April 2026

This is not a Parish Council meeting. It is an opportunity for the residents to ask questions to the Parish Council of any matters that concern them.

Please can you forward your reports either by post or email to the Clerk with details above prior to the meeting.



MINUTES OF PATTINGHAM AND PATSHULL PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15th April 2024 AT PATTINGHAM VILLAGE HALL

Present: Councillors: A Freeman (Vice Chairman), M Finch, Mrs S Attwater, N Burton, J Tomlinson, P Dunn, N Caine, Mrs J Cree – Clerk, County Councillor J Abrahams, Mrs S Simmons, Mr G Trent and Mrs J Wood

1. Apologies for Absence

An apology of absence was received from Cllr

2. Minutes of the previous meetings held on the 17th April 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on the 17th April 2023 were agreed as an accurate and true record of that meeting. Cllr J Tomlinson proposed and Cllr M Finch seconded the minutes being agreed.

3. To discuss any matters arising from the previous Annual Parish Meeting of the 17th April 2023

None were reported.

4. Report of the Chairman

Grants have been given to “The Over 65’s Christmas Lunch”. We have provided support to “Who’s for Lunch” group by paying their room hire in the village hall. This is a very worthwhile project in the village, which the Parish Council believe should continue; so we have agreed to pay for their ongoing room hire fees.

The Parish Council helped support a programme of events with the church for King Charles III Coronation. Which was very successful and enjoyed by a lot of Parishioners and people outside the Parish.

The Parish Council have looked into a bike track, but have felt that this would impact on the football field and came to a decision that the playing fields, does have adequate facilities for our youths to enjoy.

It is with regret that I resign from being Chairman and Parish Councillor. Over the last 13 years, it has given me great pleasure to be able to serve my community and help worthwhile projects within the Parish. I have loved being your Parish Councillor, but unfortunately this year has not been enjoyable; due to challenges within the council and not having support from some fellow councillors. I cannot and will not be part of a team that can't work together to achieve amazing things for our village.

It has been an absolute pleasure to work with Jenny our Parish Clerk. I would like to thank Jenny for all her support and hard work.

Finally, I would like to thank Lee Billingham and Nick Land, who are also standing down for their service and support over the years.

I wish all the best to the Future Councillors.

Anna Davies - Chairman May 2023 – March 2024.

5. Parish Reports

WHO'S FOR LUNCH?

Who's for Lunch? was established by Ken and Anne Scott and Henry and Liz Ibberson and had operated very successfully prior to the covid pandemic when it was rightly suspended. They had decided not to continue after lockdown as they felt they were getting older and encouraged us to take over responsibility at that stage.

We have run it along similar lines such that it is open to Pensioners from the Village who meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 12 noon in the Village Hall. Lifts are offered to those who are immobile and all are served a glass of wine or a non-alcoholic drink if they prefer, as they arrive and then move into the Hall where they sit at tables decorated in the theme of the day.

They are served a two-course lunch by a team of local volunteers. Lunch is prepared beforehand by ourselves, supported by a further team of Villagers who generously make soup, quiche, sandwiches and cakes. We emphasise that it is not so much about the food but the opportunity for many who may be lonely, to meet and chat in a warm and friendly atmosphere. They do though seem to appreciate the food!

All attendees are encouraged to contribute a donation of £5 towards the costs of the wine and the food. Until a year ago this was also making a small contribution to the hire costs of the Village Hall but the Parish Council then generously agreed to cover the room hire, such that we could continue at the same cost to the Pensioners without incurring a loss.

Since we re-introduced the lunch in 2022 numbers have steadily increased to the point where we now have 45 – 50 people at each monthly lunch. These run from January to November each year with a pause each December when all attend the Parish Council sponsored Pensioners Christmas Lunch instead.

Who are we? We are Debbie and Philip Sims, residents of Great Moor Road. We are privileged to not only organise the lunches each month but are supported by a tremendously enthusiastic team of volunteers who offer lifts, get the Hall ready, prepare and deliver food to the Hall, serve, wash up, clear the Hall afterwards and help to create a fun atmosphere where all can have a most enjoyable time together.

The contribution of the Parish Council, by covering the costs of Hall hire, make all this possible and we are deeply grateful as indeed is everyone who attends these lunches each month.

Philip and Debbie Sims.

Pattingham & Patshull Over 65 Christmas Lunch

Report to Annual Parish Meeting April 2024

The Annual Christmas Lunch was held on Friday 8th December 2023 at Pattingham Village Hall. It is open to all residents of Pattingham & Patshull who are 65 and older.

90 residents sat down to the meal, which was excellent, with the numbers increasing from last year by 11. The meal was provided by Plyvine. We used the format from the previous event, with the meal being served and then the children came over and led the singing.

The Guinness Book of Records was presented to the school as a thank you for their hard work.

The Raffle made £374.20, which covered the cost of the drinks and hire of the hall. It was agreed at a previous meeting that no gifts would be sent to sick or housebound people who could not attend the meal.

We received £2,500 Grant from the Parish Council.

At 31st March 2024 we have £11610.50 in the Santander accounts (of which as you know £5000.00 is in trust).

It has cost £3262.96 to put the meal on. The Committee is very grateful to the Council, as we could not put this event on without your help. The Annual Return for the Charity Commission will be sent.

Julie Wood and Sharon Simmons

Pattingham & Patshull Over 65 Christmas Lunch 2023-2024

Income

Parish Council	2500.00	
Raffle	374.20	
Bank interest	521.22	-----

3395.42		

Expenditure

	3262.96	
SURPLUS	132.46	
Bank Balance 31/03/2023	11478.04	
Plus	surplus	132.46
		£ 11610.50
Bank balance 31/03/2023	£ 11610.50	

Pattingham Village Hall Management Committee

Pattingham Village Hall is a registered charity. It runs independently and is maintained and managed by a management committee, principally of volunteers. There is a paid caretaker Mrs Anna Davies and a bookings clerk / secretary Mrs Sharon Simmons.

The Halls utilisation is steady and group activities run every day and evening of the week. Weekends are busy with children's parties, concerts and other family celebrations. Bookings for those type of events are increasingly being sought following Covid epidemic.

The financial statements are presented at each Committee meeting by our treasurer David Billson, including the total income and expenditure, a summary of all accounts, and a bank reconciliation report. (copies are available for scrutiny).

The Charity Commission Annual return for 2023, Trustees Annual Report and Accounts were submitted in January 2024.

We continue to enjoy the support of the Parish Council both financially and through the advice and guidance of the Councillors who have been appointed to the management Committee. Last year the Parish generously provided match funding for a project funded by the Enover Community Trust to improve the insulation in the building and to install solar panels on the roof. WE are pleased to say that the project has come into fruition as the insulation and the solar panels have now been installed. Both aspects will improve fuel efficiency and reduce electricity costs. We are now waiting for a bit of sunshine to get full benefit from the solar panels!

We are continuing our efforts to raise funds for various projects in the hall through events such as Italian Evening and Barn Dances. We received very generous funding from the Scarecrow Festival which will enable us to replace the curtains in the main hall. We have applied for further funding from a National charitable organisation to refurbish our foyer area and replace the main hall doors and fire doors. We are waiting the outcome of our application. The Committee are very grateful to absolutely everyone who helps keep the Hall running satisfactorily. The treasurers report is below:-

Partington Village Hall Management Committee
Treasurers Statement - 2023/24 (i)

Pattingham Village Hall Management Committee
Treasurers Statement - 2023/24 (c)

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With regard to Who's for Lunch Cllrs M Finch and Mrs S Attwater had attended the event as the Health Roadshow was on site, and the welcome was very nice and you could see the benefit of this lunch.

Cllr J Abrahams reported that he is happy to support local groups and if it is required then it will be looked at.

6. Matters raised by the public present

None were reported.

7. Date of next APM meeting – 21st April 2025 TBC

Meeting closed at 7.45pm