Summary of Parish Council Meeting held at Sulgrave Village Hall on Thursday 5th June 2025 at 7.30 pm

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and congratulated Unitary **Cllr Alison Eastwood** on being elected Chair of the new West Northants Council.

Apologies for Absence.

Cllr Will Priestman.

High Speed Rail (HS2).

Cllr Powell reported that the Banbury Lane (Culworth to Thorpe Mandeville) will be closed for three days from Wednesday 18th June. Bridge being put in place.

Councillors' Email Addresses

New email addresses required for all councillors and clerk by government. The village website also to have a government domain name. Colin Wootton agreed to seek advice and inform clerk.

Pocket Park.

Cllr Sarah Parker gave an upbeat report. She had had good feedback from her discussions with the young families in the village and hoped to be ready to present a submission to HS2 for funding by September. Council agreed with the concept that this was a community project. **Cllr Peppiatt** to report back to Hall committee on their request.

Broken Defibrillator.

To be repaired and an insurance claim submitted.

Gigaclear.

Cllr Powell reported that the Broadband Service is to be commissioned later this month.

Village Newsletter.

Chairman reported that he had asked Victoria Barker of Kiln Farm with Kat Farmer and Taylor Smith of Lowick House to take over the editing of the village newsletter and they had accepted. They will take over later in the year in agreement with Lisa Roberts.

Trees.

Council agreed to get quotes for the pruning back of overhanging branches including an assessment of the copper beech on the Stocks Green.

Allotments

Poorly used. Only three cultivated. Action needed. An article will appear in next month's newsletter.

Annual Accounts.

Council agreed and signed the presented accounts.

Councillors' Reports.

New dog waste bins installed. Housing Needs survey being carried out by Stonewater. Residents to be informed later this month.

Meeting closed 8.25pm.

Richard Fonge. Chairman