



5th June 2025

APM Meeting Notes

Date of meeting -29/05/2025

Chairman – Cllr Stephen Bray

Attendees: Cllr Wendy Bray, Cllr Sophia Nasreisfahany, Cllr Mark Phillips, Cllr Mohammed Rashid, Clerk Shenda Harvey and 2 residents

- **Chairman Cllr S Bray**
- **Chairman's Report:** A PowerPoint presentation of the parish council's local assets/facilities, including what the Parish Council has done to support the local community in 2024-25
- **Community Engagement & Parish Council Initiatives**

During discussions, residents were advised that the Parish Council now has several new councillors and a newly appointed Clerk, following our AGM and the formation of committees. With this structure in place, the Council can now plan and arrange community events, i.e Dog Show, Talent Show, Family Funday, to enhance local engagement.

- **Current Gym Activities**

Residents were updated on the Teen Gym and Boxercise sessions, which are proving highly popular. These free sessions have seen strong attendance and continue to serve as valuable opportunities for promoting health and wellbeing in the community.

- **Discussion on the Precept**

A resident inquired whether the full precept paid to the Parish Council is allocated to the gym. It was clarified that while some of the precept does support the gym, the facility is provided for the entire community to improve health and wellbeing. Since the appointment of the new Clerk, gym takings have increased, and the Parish Council is actively exploring ways to attract new members.

Additionally, the gym operates alongside the hire and use of the two halls, the field, and the MUGA to offer comprehensive community facilities.

- **Acknowledgement & Community Input**

Rachel Stevens, representing the Scouts, expressed gratitude to the Parish Council for their support, particularly in providing reduced hall hire costs.

The Parish Council values resident attendance and engagement and encourages the community to bring forward suggestions or issues for consideration in future meetings.