

Appendix 1  
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2024/2025

On behalf of the Parish Council I would like to welcome you to this years AGM and I am please to announce that we have a full compliment of Councillors.

I would just like to mention the sad loss of Pat Scott who was my Mentor her knowledge and advice was invaluable, she will be sadly missed.

We have had the usual problems with blocked drains, traffic using the village as a rat run and flooding. We have been trying to address these problems and have had some success. On the 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025 the Highways Officer Paula Lees had a meeting at Skeath Farm courtesy of Fred Scott.

If you would like further information and details of the meeting please refer to the minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025 which are available on the Parish Council website.

We have made donations for the upkeep of the Burial Ground, support for the Friendship Group, the Village Hall, the Compass Magazine, a donation has also been made to St. James The Great Church to help with the cost of repairs to the roof, a new notice board has replaced the old one outside the Hollybush and three skip visits two of which will be at the Village Hall and one on the Hollybush Car Park. Over the last five years we have donated the amount of £17,364 for the parish

I would also like to thank our Borough Councillor Karin Aspin for her regular attendance and support in keeping us up to date with impending changes.

In conclusion, I would like to thank my fellow Councillors for their contributions and support and a special thank you to our Clerk David Croxford for his hard work and diligence which is greatly appreciated

Appendix 2

**Salt Clerk**

From: CSW [CSW@staffordshire.police.uk]  
Sent: 22 April 2025 16:15  
To: Salt Clerk  
Cc: 'Nigel Tonks'  
Subject: RE: Community Speedwatch - Invitation to Annual Parish Meeting at Salt Village Hall - Wednesday 7th May 2025 @ 8 p.m.

Hi David,

Thanks for the invitation to the Annual Parish Meeting, which unfortunately I have to decline due to other commitments.

That being said I would like to pass on my thanks for the continued support from the volunteers and Cllrs. Whilst the number of volunteers has decreased over the years there has been a constant roadside presence since 2018, showing a huge reduction in traffic speeds. The team haven't been able to deploy this year due to other commitments so I'd like to use this platform to encourage others to come forward and join them, after all many hands make light work! If anyone is interested or would like to learn more about CSW please get in touch.

Appendix 3  
Salt Neighbourhood Watch 2024/2025

The role of Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator has really been superseded by Staffordshire Police Smart Alert which emails details of scams and incidents in the area and also the village What's App and the Salt and Sandon Facebook are extremely useful in keeping everyone up to date and watchful.

I continue to be the named person for the village as it is felt that it is useful in retaining a person in the village whom villagers are able to contact should the need arise.

I have met twice with Emma Fry the village's PCSO during the year which has been useful in raising awareness of Salt's problems of speeding through the village and the regular bouts of fly tipping.

Sadly, there was a burglary this year at Rosebank, Willowmore Banks so the residents of Salt must not be complacent.

Appendix 4.

**Report from Salt Church to Salt & Enson Parish Council: May 2025**

The Church has continued to play an active part in providing for the community of Salt, as well as for people beyond the village.

The porch has continued to be used a facility for the delivery of villagers' bread from Parkside Bakery and as a collection point for food for the House of Bread, Stafford, which receives very generous donations on a weekly basis.

Trent Lane Burial ground has been maintained to the usual excellent standard by TGM, thanks to the generous donation towards the costs from Salt & Enson Parish Council. Visitors to the burial ground greatly appreciate this care.

During the year, the Church has organised social and entertainment events which have included lunches, a Murder Mystery night and a Rock Choir evening, all of which have been very popular and well supported by the village community, as well as raising important funds for the Church. In addition, the PCC has supported the Village Hall in joint events such as providing cake stalls at the 'Bacon Butty' mornings.

Compass continues to be much appreciated, especially by elderly residents who may not have a computer, giving a lot of useful information across the Benefice, as well as advertising church and village hall events. We would like to pass on our thanks to the Parish Council for the generous donation towards its publishing costs, as well as to the villagers who help to distribute the magazine. Both are vital to its success and continued distribution.

This report summarises much of the work of Salt Church, a lot more goes on behind the scenes. I would particularly like to mention the Churchwarden, Janet Stubbs from Hopton, who has worked extremely hard this year trying to move the building project of the church forward, applying for grants and faculties, together with other aspects of her role. Salt Church and the community would be all the poorer without her dedication.

This is the report from the Secretary to the PCC.