



# The Stokesley Pride-in-our-Town Association

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MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
MONDAY 13th MARCH 2023  
THE CARTER ROOM, STOKESLEY TOWN HALL.

The Chairman's Welcome was followed by:

Apologies from Susan Sutton.

Attending Linda Purnell (Chair), Fiona Wilson, Ajit Patel, Ken Ridgeway, Adrian Rathmell, Caroline Rathmell, Tricia Virgo, Jenny Strachan, Helen Fletcher, Derek Whiting, Mark Christie.

Minutes of the last AGM were accepted.

### Chairman's Report

Linda Purnell gave the report for 2022.

The town was an absolute delight for Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. Atop the Ziggurat was a golden crown filled with flowers and the market place tubs were red, white and blue. Although the year was so dry, Sue and her waterers did exceptionally well. Caroline got permission to use the show field tap so that the new bed can be watered by hose very early in the morning.

Many thanks to the Thursday gang: the town looked spectacular throughout the year. Special thanks to Fred Lee who has retired after twenty years service to SPIOTA. His fundraising and wealth of experience was unequalled. We shall also miss Annie Malik who has moved away. The chairman has benefited from a much better division of labour. Grateful thanks to those who took on some of her organisational jobs: Jenny, Helen, Caroline and Sue.

The chairman thanked the treasurer, the publicity officer and the secretary.

Treasurer's Report. Sponsorships, grants and donations have not quite covered expenses this year. The tub sponsorship rate must increase next year for the first time since 2018. The cost of plants has risen considerably. Fundraising will continue.

Matters arising: This year the watering should be assisted by the first 25 self watering tubs financed by Hambleton Council. We shall monitor the effect in the hot weather.

Resignations There were none

Nomination/Election of Officers.

The current officers were nominated and seconded. There was no further business to discuss.

The meeting was closed.