

**SOUTH CADBURY & SUTTON MONTIS PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Draft MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF SOUTH CADBURY &**  
**SUTTON MONTIS PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SUTTON MONTIS VILLAGE HALL**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 18:00hrs**

Present - D Soper (Chair) M Toop (Vice Chair) M Semmons Cllr P Cook  
C Toop (Parish Clerk)

1. The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for attending
2. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Liz Tabor and John Griffiths, also Somerset Councillor Nicola Clark
3. The minutes of the South Cadbury and Sutton Montis Annual Parish Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were approved and signed as a correct record by the Chairman
4. The draft Parish Council Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024 were available for inspection and also published on the website
5. A copy of the Annual Report from Somerset Councillors Nicola Clark and Sarah Dyke was available and also posted on the parish council website
6. The Chairman read out his annual report and copies of the Annual reports from village hall representatives for South Cadbury and Sutton Montis were available and also posted on the parish council website
7. Dr Paul Elliston gave a presentation on Emergency and Contingency Plans and answered questions from the public arising from the presentation
8. Due to unforeseen circumstances Jonathan Warren from SWAST was unable to attend to deliver refresher defibrillator training. A further date will be arranged
9. During the Open session the following matters were raised by members of the public
  - a) A meeting was requested for information and updates to be shared with residents from villages impacted by the HGV traffic accessing Sutton Farm in Sutton Montis. The Clerk advised that everyone is welcome to attend the parish council meetings as this is a recurring agenda item
  - b) Will a Section 114 Notice be issued by Somerset Council declaring it is unable to meet its financial commitments. It was noted that the financial future of Somerset Council is very uncertain as reserves used to enable a balance budget to be declared for the current year will not be available next year
  - c) There has been no update from Somerset Council on the footpaths in Sutton Montis needing reinstatement. The Clerk agreed to make further enquiries
  - d) The suggested relocation of the defibrillator in South Cadbury was discussed and will be considered at the full council meeting on 16/05/2024

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm

Signed ..... Date .....

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