

## **Chairman's Report – Parish Council**

I am pleased to present the Chairman's Report for Somersham Parish Council's Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2023.

The past year has been filled with various challenges, successes, and learning opportunities for the Council, and I am proud to have led the team through this journey. I am grateful for the commitment, support, and hard work of our Councillors, our Parish Clerk and volunteers.

This past year, the Parish Council have supported organisations and community groups, in improving the quality of life in our Parish.

The Parish Council has managed its finances prudently throughout the year, ensuring that resources are allocated effectively and responsibly. We have maintained a healthy financial position, with a balanced budget and sufficient reserves to cover any unforeseen expenses. Our financial management practices have allowed us to invest in important community projects while keeping the precept increase to a minimum.

We recognize that there are ongoing challenges that require our attention, and we are committed to addressing them in the coming year. Some of which will be discussed at tonight's meeting.

I would like to express my gratitude to the Councillors, our Parish Clerk, volunteers, and residents who have supported the Parish Council throughout the year. Your dedication, hard work, and passion have helped to make Somersham a great place to live.

We look forward to working together in the coming year as we continue to build a strong, resilient, and sustainable community for all.

Thomas Hallett  
Chair of the Parish Council