**Annual parish Meeting**

**Of**

**Stapleford Tawney Parish Council**

**Thursday 12th May 2022**

Clerk’s report for the year ending 31st March 2022

Attendances as follows:-

Stuart Galloway 4/5, Nick Burr 5/5, Peter Moring 4/5, Duncan Padfield 5/5, Maurice Padfield 4/5

I would like to begin by reiterating Stuart’s heartfelt words regarding the incredibly sad loss of Maurice.

The parish account balance has a healthy year end.

Planning applications have remained constant.

Bulk fly tipping has continued. Unfortunately the culprit remains unidentified. EFDC have removed most of the rubbish but will not remove from private land and therefore entrances to fields are now being blocked where possible. There now appears to be a problem with EFDC refuse department removing rubbish from fly tipping due to shortage of staff.

The WhatsApp group “Tawney Neighbours which was set up during lockdown has been very effective in communicating general information, advice and warnings regarding thefts in the locality.

The website continues to run effectively with all agendas and minutes uploaded.

The Mole Trap Pub has reopened and is now open 5 days per week. Hopefully the summer months will be warm and promote business. The local residents are making good use of the friendly service.

Thank you Stuart, Nick, Duncan and Peter for supporting me through another busy year as clerk.