

## **MAYOR'S REPORT – to 26 February 2023**

### **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February – Stone Lion's annual dinner**

The Mayoress and I were honoured to be invited to the annual Stone Lion's Dinner at the Stone House Hotel. We saw Lions who have become friends and met many from other local chapters. I spoke and talked about the wonderful work that they do and how Stone is a better place for their actions. Whether raising money, holding events for local children or running their now famous, human fruit machine on market day. Stone really is blessed when we hear the Lion's roar.

### **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Service of Commemoration for Flt Lt R N Stubbs**

We joined the Mayor and Mayoress of Stafford, members of the RAF and other guests to remember fallen service men but most of all to remember Flt Lt Richard 'Dickie' Stubbs of Stone. A young man who answered the call of his country when the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War started. A young man who joined the RAF as a bomber pilot and who successfully flew over 60 missions. Regrettably dying on a training flight, but not before saving the rest of the crew and guiding the plane to a safe crash site. Like so many, a true hero and a true son of Stone. We were all honoured to meet his descendant, who fondly referred to him as Uncle Dickie. The service was a wonderful time to be able to remember Stone's fallen and for the community to come together.

## **DEPUTY TOWN MAYOR'S REPORT – to 26 February 2023**

No report for this period.