District Report from Cllr. Joe Porter November 2026

Remembrance Sunday

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Remembrance Sunday service at Endon St Luke's Church. Rev Debbie Lovatt, Deputy Lieutenant Colonel Adrian Walton and everyone who contributed did an excellent job and it was a real team effort.

Churchyard Clean Up

A small group of us completed a successful churchyard and car park clean up at Endon St Luke's Church. Thank you to those who helped and do stuff throughout the year to help keep it clean and tidy for our community.

Community Defibrillators

I am working with AEDdonate and the Parish Council to get a few additional defibrillators installed in our community, especially in places where we currently have no provision nearby. This is thanks to very generous funding from the former First Responders team. More updates soon.

Local Government Reorganisation

Following the recent pause, the Government has announced that the programme is continuing. The Government is continuing reorganisation in five areas: East Sussex and Brighton and Hove, Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, Warwickshire and Worcestershire.

For the remaining areas, including Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent, all options and proposals remain under consideration, and every area is expected to have an outcome by early next year.

Local elections in these areas will go ahead in May 2027 on existing council boundaries. New councils will be established for 2029, with elections to shadow councils in May 2028.

It is essential that any revised timetable must be matched by a sustainable funding settlement so councils can continue delivering essential services.

Community Fund

My Councillor's Community Initiative Fund is still open until January 2027. Please contact me if you want support with any community projects or support with applying for any grants.

Contact

If you need to contact me about any community issues or need my assistance with anything, then please email me at joe.porter@staffsmoorlands.gov.uk or on 07415 560944. I am not currently on social media so please contact me via email, text or over the phone.