

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting

Held on 17th April, 2015

Venue - Woolaston Memorial Hall

Attendees:

Mike Fairless – Chair
Roger Southee (PC)
Mary Greenslade (PC)
David Storrar (PC)
David Harris (PC)

John Anderson (Village Hall Chairman)

1. Apologies:

Andy Lord (PC)
Steve Reece (PC)
Mary Atkins
Gill Claydon

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 16th April, 2014

These were read by the Parish Clerk.

3. Matters Arising:

None

4. Previously notified questions:

a. Park Hill Farm Traffic

Cracknell Farm tractors using the above as a cut through to the A48. Two parishioners have noted that. Parishioner (Keith) noted that only HGV licenced drivers will be able to drive large tractors. Will be raised at the next PCM for full discussion.

b. Brambles on Birchwood Road

This will be raised at the next PCM and discussed in depth, particularly the ownership of the land and maintenance responsibility.

c. Speed bumps outside the school, Severn View Road squared off so cars cannot turn. MF suggested he write to the PC and Highways with these requests and concerns. DH said it has been raised before but the County Council had many reasons for not fitting them before but it is worth raising again.

5. Report of the Clerk to the Parish Council

Clerk's report:

- Number of meetings 10
- Councillors' attendance

Chairman Mick Fairless 9/10

Vice-Chairman Dave Harris 8/10

David Storrar 9/10

Mary Greenslade 10/10

Andy Lord 4/10

Steve Reece 6/10

Roger Southee 8/10

Unaudited Financial Summary 2014/2015: Appendix A

There were no questions.

6. Report of the Chairman to the Parish Council

MF read the report: Appendix A

7. Parish Charities reports

Woolaston Poor's Land:

Appendix B

Woolaston Woodlands Recreational Trust

Appendix B (cont.)

The Mary Smart and Margaret Clayton Charities

Appendix C

8. Report on the Memorial Hall and Playing Fields Committee

Given by John Anderson (Chairman)

Appendix D

9. Other Matters

Phone Box Adoption

Buy for £1 they will remove the phone, fix, keep the electricity connected and pay for it. The general feedback from the floor was that we should keep it. MF emphasised that with this commitment comes financial commitment which has to be agreed. MF suggested that if it proved to be an expensive project should we not consider the negatives involved as well as the positives, vandalism etc. Andy Morgan-Watts raised the issue that if the door needs replacing would BT supply the door? The topic was well discussed and positive feedback was received.

Steps going down to the Swan which are in a bad way need sorting out. Carol Southee raised the issue that recycling bins would be hugely beneficial to the area around the hall for all the plastic and cans. JA Chairman of the Village Hall Committee said it had been discussed and the committee decided against it at this time.

RS reported that the litter bin outside the shop was being used for commercial waste. Shopkeeper had received a visit from the Warden, accusing him. He vehemently denied and wanted rid of it if he was going to be accused of such then it needed to be moved. RS has suggested that we keep an eye on this situation.

AM-W suggested that we request a report from the warden of what commercial waste was left and that we must support the shop from malicious behaviour, if that is what it was, also that perhaps the PC should make contact with the shopkeeper to let him know he has our support. Clerk to contact FODDC about the report.

There being no further business the chairman declared the meeting closed at 2015.