

WENHASTON WITH MELLS HAMLET PARISH COUNCIL

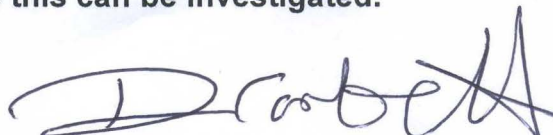
Clerk Richard Day

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 12th May.

Present; Cllr. D. Corbett (Chair), Cllr. A. Edwards, Cllr. H. Phillips, Cllr. A. Alder, County Cllr. M. Gower, Richard Day (Clerk to Council) and 16 Parishioners.

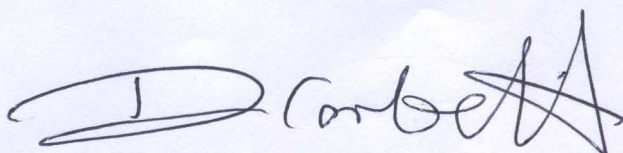
1. Chair welcomed Councillors and Parishioners to the meeting. Apologies were received on behalf of Cllr. L. Spindler.
2. Minutes to the meeting held on 23rd April 2014 were proposed for acceptance by Mrs J. Tate seconded by Cllr. Alder and unanimously agreed.
3. A report has been provided by PCSO Newson and copies are available from the Clerk.
4. The Chair of the Parish Council summarised the major achievements as well as the obstacles faced during the previous year. A copy is available from the Clerk.
5. Suffolk Wildlife Trust summarised the work undertaken on the Commons during the previous year and planning for the future.
6. County Cllr. Gower provided a report a copy of which is available from the Clerk.
7. The Parish Council's financial position was outlined showing an increase in expenditure for the previous year and a further budgeted increase for the current year. Costs and income were under constant review and donations totaling £4271 had been made during the year (a full copy of the Financial Report is available from the Clerk.)
8. Charity Reports (copies available from the Clerk)
 - (i) Pepyn & Lessey - Income approx £5000 per annum and Trevor Tate stressed the need for Village awareness of availability of funds for appropriate causes.
 - (ii) Relief in need - Income approx £250 per annum - most of which is paid away in small donations in cases of absolute need.
9. Cllr. Alder outlined progress with plans for section 106 monies and explained the difficulty and hence the delay in purchasing play equipment. Future spending will be based upon feedback from the survey conducted within the Village.
10. It was requested that all firm proposals to re-site the Millennium sign were provided to Parish Council who would decide at the June meeting. To date three proposals/offers had been received (it was stressed that offers as opposed to ideas were required.)
11. Open forum
 - A suggestion for burying overhead cables on Blackheath was made as it appeared funds were held centrally to facilitate - more detail is required before this can be investigated.



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- Ongoing problems with potholes - particularly on Back road were highlighted. Parishioners should report to SCC Highways in the first instance and contact the Parish Council if no action taken.
- Concern expressed that proposed widening of Narrow Way will not happen prior to development commencing (this is a condition of Planning Approval.)
- Thanks were expressed on behalf of Parish Council to Cllr. Gower for his work and contribution to the Parish.

Meeting closed 8:10pm.

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