

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 13TH MAY 2024**

Attended:

Mrs Maggie Ashcroft
Cllr Ashley Baxter
Cllr Pam Byrd
Mrs Lisa Blackmore
Mrs Pat Dethick
Mr Mike Hutchings
Mrs Alison Ireland
Mrs Emma King
Mr Graham Magee
Mr James Mooney
Mr Iain Stowe
Mrs Jean Stowe
Mrs June Thomas

Cllr Glenn Fuller – Chairman
Cllr Sue Latham
Cllr Anna Thompson
Mr Ian Coles - Clerk

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Virginia Moran
Cllr Gareth Williams

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 MAY 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 May 2023 were considered, following which it was proposed by Cllr Anna Thompson, seconded by Cllr Sue Latham and unanimously agreed the minutes be accepted as a correct record of the meeting; the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1 APRIL 2023 – 31 MARCH 2024

The Chairman, Cllr Glenn Fuller, summarised his report to the meeting on the activities of the Parish Council for the year ending 31 March 2024 which will be published on our website shortly.

The ongoing gravel extraction plans remain the biggest issue that we have faced in the village over the past year and in conjunction with the strenuous efforts of several residents, we continue to battle with Breedon's and Lincolnshire County Council (LCC) to try and minimise the effect that this may have on the village and its residents in the future.

During the year, we undertook repairs to our bus shelter and to the 'Best Kept Village Sign', continued to monitor the speed awareness sign and thanks to the efforts of several residents, we now have many additional daffodils planted in the village to enhance its appeal.

As a result of the extremely wet winter, we did encounter flooding and drainage issues in the village and we continue to liaise regularly with Anglian Water to upgrade and improve our systems to minimise similar issues occurring in the future.

We have also been investigating the possibility of creating a children's playground within the village, exploring funding opportunities and possible locations and we hope to see strong advances on this front over the coming year.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

Mr Ian Coles provided a financial summary for the year from the Financial Report which will be published on our website shortly.

Our income during the year amounted to £10,280, which predominantly consisted of the annual precept of £9,900 from SKDC, along with Boaty levies of £130, burial fees of £203 and bank interest of £47.

Our expenditure in the year was £10,101, which comprised of our amenity contract with Gary's Gardens of £1,340, staffing costs of £6,954, repairs to the bus shelter and 'Best Kept Village Sign' of £565 and general administration costs of £1,242, which includes our annual insurance, election fees and subscriptions.

At 31st March 2024, our bank balance had increased from £277 at 31st March 2023 to £481.

The usual Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) forms have been completed and our finances for the year have been inspected and agreed by our internal auditor.

Copies of the AGAR forms and our annual budget for the 2024/25 year, agreed at the November 2023 Parish Council Meeting detailing our expected income and expenditure, will all be published on our website.

5. COMMUNITY REPORTS

No other reports have been received this year.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.11 p.m.

Chairman

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