

**HAWSTEAD ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL  
AT 7 P.M. ON THURSDAY 16th MAY 2019.**

Present: P Cllr J West (Chair) & Clerk C Hibbert.  
Approx 12 members of the public

Apologies: C Cllr K Soons and D Cllr Clements; P Cllrs Barham, Baker and Brewis.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – 17th May 2018.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 17th May 2018 were circulated and **APPROVED** as a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. (Proposed by GW, seconded by JD – all in favour).

ANNUAL REPORTS

**C.Cllr Mrs K Soons** – report for the year was received and noted. (Full report attached; this will be uploaded onto website).

**B Cllr M Chester (outgoing)** – no report received; clerk to check whether a report is available.

**D Cllr T Clements (incoming)** – no report received.

**Police** –report received and noted. (Full report attached; this will be uploaded onto website).

ANNUAL REPORTS FROM VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

**Hawstead Community Council** - report (read by AT) summarising the many and varied regular and one-off events for which the village hall was used during the year, the current financial position, revised hire charges, refurbishment and maintenance programme and new Trustees. Thanks given to all volunteers who work hard to keep the hall in good condition and request for more volunteers. (Full report attached; this will be loaded onto the website).

**Website and History Recorder's report.** AP delivered a presentation outlining the work involved in compiling the history recorder's report, for which many thanks. Report received for 2019. (Full report attached: this will be uploaded onto the website where reports from previous years can also be found).

**All Saints Church Hawstead** – Report received from the church warden, which highlighted key events from the year and thanked those who have cared for the church, the churchyard and contributed to the schedule of regular worship and social activities. (Full report attached; this will be loaded onto the website).

**Carpet Bowls** – report on the year's enjoyable activities; new members welcome. (Full report attached; this will be loaded onto website).

**Hawstead Oil Group** – report from MH on the activities of this group which is open to all residents.

**CLERK'S REPORT** – The clerk reported on the finances of the Parish Council. (Full report attached; this will be uploaded onto the website).

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** - P Cllr J West reported on the Parish Council's work during the year. He highlighted; (i) the rolling programme of maintenance for the Greens, trees and footpaths; (ii) the acquisition of a new information board and footpath signage for the Green; (iii) voluntary work parties which have met to clear areas of the Green and the ongoing voluntary litter picking around the village by a dedicated resident; (iv) work to monitor condition of potholes; (v) the continuing speedwatch scheme and introduction of TVAS equipment to address speeding; (vi) the acquisition of three new grit bins and shovels for all bins; (vii) continuing efforts to improve local Broadband service and provide good communication of local news to residents via the website and email list; (viii) the contribution of £2k towards the boiler replacement work in the village hall. Cllr West thanked outgoing P Cllrs Robinson and Harrison for their hard work on the Council over many years and welcomed Cllr P Baker. He thanked the continuing Councillors, the tree warden and editor of the website for their valuable contribution to the community. Full report to website.

PUBLIC SESSION

The following comments were made:-

- (1) Village gates need a paint and clean;
- (2) The hedge along Horsecroft Road has been cut in a very unsightly and untidy fashion;
- (3) The Speedwatch scheme is having no effect on vehicle speed in the village – request that Council look into any other alternative initiatives which might address this issue.
- (4) Cyclists travelling two/three abreast in road are causing a driving hazard, particularly on Horsecroft Road.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 21st May 2020. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 7.45 p.m.

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