

Minutes of the **Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 9th May 2016 in the Village Hall, Bear Lane, Longdon at 7.30pm.** Members of the public were cordially invited to attend.

Present; Chairman, Cllr. S. Cook; Cllrs.J.Beswick, R. Thatcher, Mrs N. Inchbald, J. Unwin

Attending: Rev. Christopher Moss, three members of the public.

APM116 Apologies for Absence/Declaration of Interests.

No interests were declared.

Apologies were received from Cllr. B. Mansbridge, Cllr. C. Taylor-Hall and the local Police Officer.

APM216 Annual Reports;

(a)The Chairman invited a verbal report from Rev. C. Moss in respect of the proposals to provide a meeting venue and Parish Office at the School. The meeting was informed that legal difficulties had been encountered and that the proposals were no longer able to be continued. The Chairman stated that the position and options would be on the agenda of the next meeting for discussion and confirmed that the Hall Association would definitely be included in room hire and provision of office facility considerations.

(b) District Councillor Mrs. Behan gave an update on recent planning changes and the adoption of the SWDP by MHDC, explaining ongoing local development.

(c)The Chairman referred to outstanding issues which would be addressed during the coming year. He was asked to obtain County Highways immediate attention to the serious speeding along Bear Lane which was becoming a serious threat to public safety. Other minor issues were noted.

(d) Cllr. Mrs Inchbald explained the Neighbourhood Plan proposals and reported a serious road problem on the Queenhill Loop Road caused by School buses meeting at narrow parts of the road. This was/is causing serious roadside verge damage and flooding. The Chairman agreed that Council would address this problem via County Councillor T. Wells.

(e) Cllr. Mrs Inchbald also asked for clarification of the regulations in respect of proposed closures of Byways Open To All Traffic, as on the Queenhill Church Road. The Clerk agreed to query this with County Councillor T. Wells at the first opportunity.

(f) There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

(g) Date of next meeting to be arranged for an evening in May 2017 unless otherwise called in accordance with the regulations.

Signed.....Chairman

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