

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Parish Meeting was advertised and held on 18th April 2013 in St Peter's Church, Easton

The meeting was attended by local parishioners who were all welcomed with coffee and biscuits by the Chairman, Mr Mike Baker, following which he opened the meeting at 8.00pm

Apologies: for absence received from Richard Burton, all other members i.e. Charles Nixon, Steve Thomason and Clive Wood present with Mike Baker taking the chair.

Declarations of members' interests: none received

Minutes: the minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on April 18th 2012 were read, approved and signed as correct

Matters arising: there were no matters arising

Chairman's Report: Mr Baker gave his annual report covering the topics which had been dealt with by the Parish Council during the past year. These included village roads, footpaths, planning applications, trees and tree planting and the suggested 'kids council'. He congratulated the ES&FR for the celebrations organized for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee held in June last year. The Chairman was questioned on the status of the village poll which is being carried out with regard to Cherry Orchard Lane. He explained that all the questionnaires returned had been scrutinised and all issues collated into a single document. Mr and Mrs Purser are being asked to comment on these following which this all comments and a voting slip will be circulated to each house with the request for the voting slip to be returned to a Parish Councillor by 10th May 2013. The votes will be counted in public with an independent observer present in St Peter's Church at 6pm on 15th May 2013.

Village Reports: **Easton Social & Fund Raising** Mrs Kathy Yates presented the report for another successful year of which the highlight had been the Diamond Jubilee celebrations for Queen Elizabeth II. Thanks were given to all who had worked or supported the events.

Easton United Charities due to another commitment Mr Harlow was unable to attend but sent a representative who reported the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2012 are being prepared. Mr Baker helped with answering the question as to where the land is situated.

Neighbourhood Watch Brian Davis was unable to be present but had passed his report to be read by Mr Baker. He listed the incidents of particular interest to the village.

Playing Field Clive Wood gave the annual report for the playing field. The drain laid in 2010 requires attention and the intention is to repair or replace the slide or enhance the area in conjunction with ideas which the Kids

Club is planning. In the meantime the bonfire area needs clearing and the ruts leveling. Mr Baker said this is planned for the coming Saturday.

Any other village matters

none raised.

Mr Baker closed this meeting at 9.00pm after thanking everyone for taking the time to attend invited them to stay for the following business meeting.