

EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting was advertised to be and was held on 31st March 2016 in St Peter's Church Easton commencing at 8.00pm when the Chairman, Mr Mike Baker, opened the meeting, offering coffee and biscuits and welcomed all present including members of the public, representatives of the Easton Social and Fund Raising Committee, Neighbourhood Watch and Trustees of Easton United Charities

Apologies: none from Parish Councillors, all members present but apologies for absence from chair or Easton Social & Fund Raising, Mrs Kathy Yates because the ES&FR committee had its own AGM this evening.

Members declaration: none

Minutes: the minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on 25th March 2015 were read, approved and signed as a correct record.

Matters arising: Water running in The Lane – although AWA eventually made a repair to the water main large puddles are still evident after rain. The residents of The Lane think the ditch on the south side has been blocked and consideration is being given to checking this is clear all the way to the brook. This in turn may alleviate the flooding of the barked area of the playing field, where the drain does not run freely.

Chairman's Annual Report: Mr Baker presented his annual report covering the Parish Council activities over the past year. A copy is to be distributed to each house in the village. He also remembered Mrs Kath Goodwin who died last September, as she had been a Parish Councillor for several years and served on various other village committees.

Village Reports:

Easton Fund & Social Committee Clive Wood presented the report on behalf of Mrs Kathy Yates, for the past year detailing the events organised and held and the donations made to various charities. She extended thanks to her committee, villagers and other supporters for their goodwill and assistance.

Easton United Charities Ms Wendy Kruger introduced herself as the new chair of the Trustees, advised the meeting of the election of the two new Parish Council representatives and outlined the Trustees work in the village. This included the involvement in the of the purchase of a defibrillator for the village. Mr George Harlow will present the statement of affairs for the United Charities for year ending 31.12.2015 when completed.

Neighbourhood Watch Brian Davis gave a short report, noting that no crime had been listed for the past year. However, vigilance should be maintained in particular to any suspicious vehicle circulating the village and reported to him.

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Playing Field

Clive Wood presented a report, thanking those who had contributed to the maintenance and continued improvement of facilities in the field. A new swing had been installed, partly funded by a grant from the Woolley Hill Windfarm Community Fund and repairs are in hand for the climbing frame. He also noted the wooden support posts for the rope bridge are rotten and this may be beyond repair.

Any other Village Matters

Concern was expressed by several people

at:

sales people calling on houses in the village, sometimes in the evening, with no real identification. Brian Davies, neighbourhood watch, said he would look into this.

an application for a five caravan site affiliated to the Caravan Club at West Farm. Mr Harlow said he would make further enquiries and report to Mr Baker.

There being no other matters for discussion the Chairman thanked those present for their attendance at the meeting, the councillors for their efforts during the past year and closed the meeting at 9:30pm.

Mike Baker 23/March/2017