

## **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Kirby Misperton**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May @ 10h35 – Village Hall**

### **Present:**

Cllr Peter Winter – Chairman

Cllr Jacqueline Cray – Vice-Chair

Cllr Charles Booth

Cllr Helen Brotherton (and Volunteer Clerk)

Cllr Steve Mason (RDC – recently re-elected)

Mr Nigel Brotherton – Treasurer of St Laurence’s church Kirby Misperton

Other members of the public were present and invited to speak and join discussions once the Chairman opened the floor.

The Chairman opened the Meeting by welcoming and thanking all Councillors for their endeavours in the last year.

1. The Chairman gave a Report on the Council’s activities in the past year including the progress on several fronts of concern to the village such as the upkeep and maintenance of the War Memorial roundabout, the support for the “20 is Plenty” campaign, the positive relationship with Flamingo Land and ongoing support for the Environmental Group’s activities

2. The RFO summarised the Parish Council Accounts and the preparation for the impending Internal Audit and concluded that the financial situation was now in an extremely positive and healthy state for supporting community activities such as the Jubilee.


3. Subjects were raised by the Public & discussed with Councillors, supported by Cllr Steve Mason, who confirmed his commitment to progress KM village issues to higher levels at District & County Council level:

- Speeding – commitment to the “20 is Plenty” campaign was reinforced. Further investigation into the Hovingham Speed Concern campaign; asking for Data from the VAS at Gt Barugh; more Community Speedwatch initiatives. The possibility of paying for a Wired Survey (advised as being approx. £110 for a two-week survey by Cllr Mason)
- Litter – thanks to villagers who regularly undertake voluntary litter-picking to keep the village tidy. Further discussions with Flamingo Land about bins & litter and our Village Community Liaison rep from park, Helen Brown will be organised by Cllr Cray. Clerk to check with Streetscene that the schedule for the heavy Summer Season and regular bin emptying. Cllr Mason requested that he be copied in on any correspondence in this matter.
- Highways: there was general dissatisfaction with the responses and lack of engagement from Highways on the ongoing issues with footpaths, particularly the Cemetery path, general poor state of pathways and uneven surfaces, out of control undergrowth, blocked drains and gullies. The Parish Portal that the Clerk reports on

is generally considered unsatisfactory. Again, Cllr Mason requested he be copied in on further correspondence, particularly on the pressing matter of the Cemetery path and its being "unfit for purpose" with funerals and those tending graves.

- Maintenance of village signs, roundabout, flower tubs etc – thanks to Cllr Booth for undertaking to continue the strimming of the grass and wild plants around the three Village entry signs. Thanks to ALL villagers involved in the maintenance of the plants, shrubs and hedging on the roundabout, and particularly the new flower tubs, purchased and planted as part of the Jubilee celebrations, but which will continue to be a positive legacy, making the Village look great!
- Thanks to villagers who have re-varnished the bench and generally tidied the area by the Noticeboard – it was noted that the improvements now mean the main Village Noticeboards, alongside the Parish Council one, are looking increasingly shabby and that replacement of these should be considered at future KMPC Ordinary meetings.
- An update was given by the Church Treasurer on the Project for possible Lottery supported works at St Laurence's church is now back on track after technical and Covid set-backs.
- Thanks to Peter Bloom for his continued commitment to producing the Village Newsletter and a renewed commitment from the Council to connecting with new families in the village via this medium, Face Book, the Parish website and more leaflets for future events.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 11h15 and invited all attendees to stay for the refreshments provided.

Signed: .....  .....

CHAIRMAN

Date: ..... 28/6/22 .....