Minutes of the Darrington Parish Council AGM and Annual Parish Meeting Village Reading Rooms

Thursday 11th May 2017

Present:

Cllr Britton (Chairman), Cllr Smith, Cllr Wilkins, Cllr Tagger, Cllr Stones, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Stainer, Cllr Thompson

In Attendance:

Cllr Jones together with 3 members of the public.

Apologies:

Cllr Hoyle, Cllr Loughran

2017-01

Election of Chairman and Vice Chair.

Cllr Britton and Cllr Smith resigned their roles as Chair and Vice Chair. Cllr Britton stated that whilst he was happy to continue as Chair if no other person was willing to stand. Cllr Thompson offered to take over the position and Cllr Wilkins proposed and Cllr Britton seconded a motion that Cllr Thompson should take over as Chairman of the Parish Council - all councillors agreed with this proposal, Cllr Thompson accepted the role. Cllr Wilkins proposed and Cllr Tagger seconded a motion that Cllr Smith should continue as Vice Chair of the Parish Council for the following year and all councillors agreed with this proposal, Cllr Smith accepted the role.

Cllr Britton suggested and all Cllrs agreed that as he had prepared for the meeting he should continue to chair this meeting on behalf of Cllr Thompson.

2017-02

Declaration of Interests

None.

2017-03

Minutes of the last meeting

Cllr Britton questioned whether point 2016-06-03 had been resolved and Cllrs Stainer, Wilkins and Tagger confirmed it had.

Cllr Wilkins said no letter had been received from WMDC regarding the A1.

The minutes of the 2016 AGM were accepted as being a true record by Cllr Wilkins and seconded by Cllr Tagger.

2017-04

Chairman's Report.

Cllr Britton presented his report for 2016-2017. A copy will be printed in the next newsletter and published on the website. A signed copy was given to Cllr Wilkins for the records.

2017-05

Finance Report

Cllr Stainer presented the 2016-2017 annual financial statement to the Council and explained it in detail. In summary they showed that there had been an income of £13,397.99, and expenditure of £8,795.45 leaving a year end balance of £17,454.83. The outstanding loan payment has reduced to £24,800.46. This leaves the council in healthy position financially.

The total asset value at the end of the year was £14,178 which has been increased by 2% to allow for inflation. Cllr Tagger queried the 2% increase on the basis the assets would be older and therefore devalued. Cllr Stainer assured him that our auditors had in the past instructed us to increase the value of our assets by the inflation rate to account for the cost of replacement.

2017-05-01 Cllr Britton proposed and Cllr Wilkins seconded a proposal that these accounts were a true and accurate record.

2017-05-02 The annual governance statement which forms section 1 for the annual return for the year ended 31st March 2017 was approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chair Cllr Thompson and the Clerk Cllr Wilkins at the meeting.

2017-05-03 The accounting statements which form section 2 of the annual return for the year ended 31st March 2017 was approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chair Cllr Thompson at the meeting.

2017-06

Annual Parish Meeting

The meeting was open to any other comments from the floor. There were no comments.

Meeting ended at 7.30pm.