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MINUTES of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 1st May 2013

Present: Mr D Palmer (Chairman) Mr JW Whitworth, Mr P England, Mr M Bell Ms C Smith Mr Colin Hagger, Ms T Connolly, Mr Colin Lewis Mr Terry King. Ms S Linsell

Apologies: None

In attendance: Mrs Jo Downton, the Clerk. Members of the Public

Declaration of Interests: None

Minutes: The minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on the 2nd May 2012 were taken and read as correct.

Parish Council Accounts for 2012/13: Unaudited copies of the informal accounts were circulated and the Clerk explained points of interest, namely the surplus for this year. Council was informed that there was still some payments due to be billed from the previous year and that there was some funds available for lights – but the figure remaining would be identified for the next meeting. (The formal accounts will be formally be adopted by the Council on the 5th June 2013 after they have been prepared in a form required by the Auditor). The Clerk will publicise arrangements for electors to see the official accounts, if they wish to, before the audit later in the summer.

Village Reports: the council received reports (copies of which are attached or available from the clerk in hard form) from the following village organisations and including one from the Chairman:

Exton & Greetham Primary School submitted by Claire Hitchcox

NHWatch by D Goody

Parish Church by Ms P Hagger

Exton Produce & Craft Show The Secretary.

PAGE – Claire Smith

Web site – P Taylor

Village Hall – M Butterill

The Parish Council expressed its sincere thanks to all the various hard working organisations which are a vital part of village life.

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Minutes: The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 1st May 2013 were taken as read and signed as correct.

Election Of the Chairman for the year ending May 2014: Mr J Whitworth proposed and Mrs Sarah Linsell seconded that Mr Palmer be elected. There being no other nominations Mr Palmer was elected.

Election of a Vice Chairman for the year ending May 2014: Mr C Hagger proposed and Mr P England seconded that Mr J Whitworth be elected. There being no other nominations Mr Whitworth was elected.

Matters arising not dealt with in the main agenda:

The Clerk reported that a map had been secured covering Exton and Horn and was available to councilors.

The next meeting on the 5th June was to start at 6.00 pm rather than 7.00 pm as someone was to speak to councilors concerning defibrillation in the village.

Thank you cards had been sent to some in the village to thank them for all their hard work over the year, such as NHW and the newsletter.

The clerk had forwarded all comments onto RCC concerning the re routing of the footpath on the estate for safety reasons. The matter was raised about removal of the stile and of changing the signage – this was to be followed up by the clerk.

The clerk reported that she had contacted RCC to ask for some advice regarding the Town Pump house. RCC inspected the building that very same day and offered reassurance that there was absolutely no serious danger from collapse of such although it would be in need of attention in due course. It was suggested that each winter the building should be checked. The Chair was to continue monitoring this in the winter months just as he usually does. The Clerk was also to start to explore costs involved for potential repairs.

The Clerk informed council that Mr Howison wished that it be known how very pleased he is with the new LED light outside the village hall. The Clerk was to explore the possibility of costs and identify lamps which are most in need of replacement for the next meeting. It was thought by then an idea of available funds would be clearer to the Clerk.

Email correspondence: None

Correspondence not requiring action: CAB meeting to be held and people invited to attend.

Correspondence (items requiring action only):

Questions were raised at the meeting concerning what was taking place in the Avenue. Councilor King informed council that a tourist bus was to be run throughout Rutland and that two bus stops were to be located in the Avenue. Moreover he informed council that the triangle junction at Oakham Road had been identified as the point at which the bus would turn around. Great emphasis was placed on this service as a disabled and cyclist friendly bus. It must be noted that this is the very first time that council was informed of this matter and no communication whatsoever had been received from RCC. Equally it is to be noted that Councilor King informed us that it was to be a bus stop and no mention of shelter entered the discourse at any stage. This matter was being followed up by the Clerk.

Authorisation of cheques: None - Accounts with internal auditor.

Planning Applications: Broadband Cabinet Oakham Road Exton – no objections. 19 The Green, Exton, conversion of building to two flats. – To be explored.

Items for the agenda of the next meeting of the Parish Council on 5th June 2013:
Lights. Pudding Bag Lane sign. RCC and Tourist Bus.