

Briercliffe with Extwistle Annual Parish Meeting

Monday, 15th May 2017

- **Present:** Councillor Dack (in the Chair), Councillors Bailey, Frost, Hawkes, Kelly, Lishman, Sweetman and Vincent.
- Others: County Councillor Cosima Towneley, Andrew Booth and Karen Baldwin from Calico, M. Greenwood (Lengthsman), S. Hayward (Assistant Allotment Manager), Steve Watson (Clerk) plus 4 residents.

Councillor Dack opened the Annual Parish Meeting and welcomed everyone.

Agenda AM17/18/001 Apology for absence and reasons given

Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillor Joan Royle who was away.

AM17/18/002 Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of Pecuniary Interest

AM17/18/003 Minutes of the last Annual Parish meeting held on the 16th May 2016.

The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for approval as a correct record.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on the 16th May 2016 are approved as a correct record.

AM17/18/004 To receive a reports on the Council's work from the Chair

The Chair outlined that it had been a busy year and a lot had been achieved, whilst there were quite a few frustrations and he would have liked to have achieved more. He outlined that the Council has adopted an Allotment and Allotment Land Management Policy, the Lengthsman contract has been re-tendered and now includes the Allotment Maintenance jobs and a number of jobs have been carried out over the year. A former grazing plot is to be converted to a Woodland Nursery and is nearing the formal planning stage. There has been an increase in the precept to permit the Parish Council to carry out more projects. External funding is being sought to extend the Woodland Walk and a resident survey was carried out to prioritise projects. The Council provided the hanging baskets and flowers around the Parish and will continue to strive to maximize the finances it has.

Councillor Dack was thanked for the work he had done in his role of Chair to the Parish Council.

AM16/17/005 To receive reports from Organisations

There were no reports from organisations.

AM16/17/006 To receive resolutions from Parishioners

There were no resolutions from Parishioners.

AM16/17/007 An opportunity will be given for electors to ask questions at the meeting

There were no questions from Parishioners, it was asked why there are 2 Annual meetings and the difference between the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting were explained.

AM16/17/008 Date of next meeting

Date of the next Annual Parish meeting Monday 14th May 2018 at the Community Centre, Jubilee Street.