

WESTONZOYLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING **HELD ON MONDAY 13 MAY 2019** **AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** **AT THE VILLAGE HALL, WESTONZOYLAND**

PRESENT: Cllrs Alder, Ms Bicker, Mr Evans, Mrs Fisher, Mr Griffiths, Mrs Parfitt, Mr Pearce and Ms Perry

ALSO PRESENT: District Cllr Anthony Betty

APOLOGIES: Cllr Spurrell and County Cllr David Hall

Two parishioners were in attendance

The Meeting was Chaired by Mrs Fisher (Chairman of Westonzoyland Parish Council)

01 Minutes

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 30/04/18 had been circulated, were taken as read and approved as a correct record.

02 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

03 Chairman's Report and Resume 2018/19

Mrs Fisher had prepared a report on the activities of the Council during the preceding year. This was her ninth year in the office of Chairman.

She emphasised that this was purely a resume and did not cover everything which had been carried out by the Parish Council, which was fully reflected in the Minutes of the regular meetings. The members of the Parish Council continued to take an active interest in all issues affecting the whole community and endeavoured by whatever means possible to keep residents fully informed.

She again thanked all fellow Cllrs for the hard work put into supporting the community. Especially thanked the retiring members, including Derek Alder from his role as District Cllr, and welcomed new members. She was also grateful to the County and District Cllrs for attending meetings and for help and support, and looked forward to working with Cllr Anthony Betty as Derek Alder's replacement.

Mrs Fisher made particular reference in her report to the role adopted by the Parish Council in terms of planning and dealing with planning applications in particular, in relation to affordable housing projects, and specific issues around highways. The Council were also active in relation to footpaths, community activities and the environment. She mentioned particularly concerns raised about young people's needs but was disappointed at the lack of support evident from members of the public. Proposals were in hand

to provide one or two defibrillators in the Village, consent had been obtained and one defibrillator promised by one individual.

She remained confident in the Parish Council's handling of its finances and maintaining a reasonable level of funding through the Parish precept collected via the Council Tax.

She acknowledged support of those parishioners who had attended Parish Council meetings and their interest and views on Village affairs and again thanked the Clerk for the duties carried out.

04 **Traffic Matters and Speeding Through the Village**

This remained a constant source of complaint and representations. As reported in the ordinary Parish Council meeting, this had been followed through by a local resident, Mr Michael Tucker, and the Parish Council had resolved to support any actions which might be authorised. This would continue to be pursued and was regularly featuring on the agenda for Parish meetings and Council meetings as a major cause of concern.

This matter would be further progressed once replies were received (*Note from Clerk – a response has now been received from the local police*).

05 **Other Business and Open Questions**

None were forthcoming.

The meeting finished at 9.05 pm.

Signed:

Chairman