

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF BRAMPTON PARISH 2011

At the Annual Meeting of the Parish of Brampton held in the Village Hall, Brampton at 7.30pm on Tuesday 22 March 2011 the following were present:-

Mr S Wilson - Chairman of the Parish Council
8 Local Government Electors of the Parish
In Attendance

R Calvert - Clerk of the Parish Council; Mrs B Rix – District Councillor

1. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 9th March 2010, having been circulated to all residents present, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman of the Parish Council.

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from PCSO Tracey Frost and County Councillor D Harrison

3. **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF BRAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL FOR 2010/11**

The Chairman thanked all the councillors for their support over the past year. He thanked Piet Knaapen who had retired during the year for his help as a councillor. He commented that Piet was a doe, that the village needed doers and he hoped that Piet would remain a friend to the village.

He also thanked Lloyd Mills who had recently resigned as clerk to the parish council; he did a lot to bring the activities of the parish council up to date. He welcomed the new clerk Ros Calvert.

He stated that it had been a squalid year as regards to the Village Hall. The good news was that the hall was now legal as regards fire safety and was useable again; however the present and future use of the Village Hall appeared to be nil. The Village Club was dormant, there had been a meeting held recently to discuss the future of the hall that had been poorly attended probably due to insufficient notice; a number of apologies for absence had been received. The Village Club had been paying the bills for the maintenance of hall but as it was not being used it there was no income. The next Village Hall meeting was scheduled for 8pm on Friday 8th April.

He was active in the Aylsham Navigation Project 1912-2012 which had established close links with the University of East Anglia. It had received considerable grant funding for work on the history of the navigation in the area with the possibility of the production of a book. A special event had been scheduled for August 2012 to commemorate the closure of the navigation of the upper Bure and they hope to establish a linear walk close to the river where possible using existing footpaths.

The website and its use had grown. It included an embryo car share scheme. He recommended that people look at Mark's blog which was kept up to date and was very informative.

4. **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE VILLAGE HALL TRUSTEES**

There was no report, the Village Hall trustees had not met during 2010-11

5. **PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT**

Mark Little reported on behalf of the PCC, it had welcomed the new vicar Rev Peter Hensall during the year.

6. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

District Councillor Barbara Rix reported on her work as the local member. She had attended as many meetings of Brampton Parish Council as possible but it had been difficult as they often coincided with full meetings of the District Council. She had been supportive of plans for the Village Hall and was sorry to have missed the Quiz. She offered her help to the village without political bias. She had recently attended a meeting on Environmental Excellence and was inspired by the concept of floating solar panels.

She offered her support to the village and to the Aylsham Navigation Project.

7. **COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

County Councillor David Harrison offered his apologies as he was not able to attend the meeting; he produced a report for the meeting which was circulated.

8. **RESIDENTS' QUESTIONS**

There were no questions

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.55 pm.