



Poslingford Parish Council

Minutes of Poslingford Parish Council Meeting General Annual Meeting Annual Parish Meeting

Date 25th May 2022, 6.30pm

Meeting was held at Stansfield Village Hall

Attendees Parish Councillors Martin England, Marc Allison, Annie Jones, Kathy Priestley, June Mansfield, and Derek Nichols
District Councillor Marion Rushbrook
Rachel Stebbing
Chris Turner (Clerk to the Council)

PARISH GENERAL MEETING

Cllr Martin England was happy to continue as Chair and was re-selected unanimously.
Cllr Marc Allison was happy to continue as Vice Chair and was re-selected unanimously.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

There were no residents attending and no correspondence regarding issues in the village. The chair gave a short resume of the last 12 months. It was a relatively quiet year, the main issues revolved around the allotments, highways, quiet lanes, and the purchase of a defibrillator to be housed in the phone box. He thanked Cllrs Allison and Jones for their input into our Website and Facebook and Cllr Mansfield regarding Remembrance Sunday.

QUARTERLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Apologies received from CC Bobby Bennett, and District Councillors Karen Richardson and Nick Clarke.

A report was given by DC Marion Rushbrook one of our District Councillors. The report is lodged with the minutes, this had been circulated amongst the Councillors earlier. County Councillor Bobby Bennett had also issued an annual report which is to be sent to the councillors and again a copy held with the minutes.

1. Minutes of our last meeting held on 2nd March 2022. These were accepted as being in order. All in favour. Copies were signed by Chairman.

2. Outstanding Issues. We are still looking into the water problem on the Highway at Brookside. If possible, we would like to have an on-site meeting with the County Councillor and Highways. Clerk to ascertain whether this is possible.

3. Co-option of new Parish Councillor. Rachel Stebbing who has been in Poslingford for a number of years was willing to join the Council and was voted in by all. Forms/Register of Interests declarations etc need to be completed and the clerk will arrange to send these to her.

4. Financial Report.

a) The last accounts presented at the previous meeting showed the final income and outgoings for 2021-22, there were no further payments or receipts.

b) A profit and loss account for the year to 31st March was presented. This formed the basis for the AGAR (Annual Governance and Accountability Return) for 2021/22 which had been completed by the clerk. Due to the level of our financial turnover, we can complete a Certificate of Exemption. Form 2 which was signed by clerk and Chair as was Section 2 the accounting statement. Section 1 the Annual Governance Statement had been completed with all questions answered in the positive and then signed by Chair and clerk. The form can now be sent of to SALC for the internal audit.

c) An account had been prepared for the period 1st April 2022 to 25th May which was accepted as being in order.

d) It was agreed a donation would be made to CAB of £100.

5. Councillors comments. None

6. Quiet Lane initiative. There are two signs that need to be erected. We only have a post at Assington Green Road. Another is required at Clopton Hall. Cllr England dealing with.

7. Defibrillator. This has been received but still awaiting the cabinet and we will then need to arrange to place this into the BT phone box.

8. Council Policies. A new "Code of Conduct" policy has been issued, details have been provided to each councillor. It was agreed we would adopt the new policy and details will be placed on the website.

9. The Jubilee party is on Sunday 5th June, flyers have been sent out. It is hoped that the food can be free of charge, the District Councillors had agreed to donate £300 towards the party with bunting required etc. Clerk to contact Jon Eaton. There are a small number of children in the village, and we may be able to obtain some commemorative coins to pass to them - Clerk to investigate.

10. AOB- Community Asset- Cllr Jones to look at why the application for the allotments has been rejected and requires the documents to review the situation.

Dates of next meeting 7th September at Stansfield village hall

C Turner-Clerk