

BROME and OAKLEY PARISH ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Minutes

Monday 20 April 2015

1. Apologies for absence - Councillor David Hardaker and Mr Durrant.
2. The meeting was chaired by the Chairman of Brome and Oakley Parish Council, Councillor Ursula Halton. Councillor Halton opened the meeting and welcomed all those present. There were seven parishioners in attendance along with Parish Councillor Charles Doe, District Councillor David Burn, County Councillor Jessica Fleming and PCSO Durrant.
3. Report by County Councillor – Councillor Jessica Fleming gave her annual report as the County Councillor for Brome and Oakley. (A copy of the report is available from the Clerk on request). Cllr Fleming was thanked for her work in assisting the village hall committee with their refurbishment project.
4. Minutes of last Annual Parish Meeting - the minutes of the meeting which took place on Monday 28 April 2014 were approved.
5. Matters arising:
The Village sign still needed maintenance.
County Council Highways still needed to look at pavement outside bungalows in in Brome Street.
6. Report by Suffolk Police – PCSO Abbi Durrant gave a report on behalf of PCSO Long which detailed the crimes in the parishes during the last year. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes and available from the Clerk on request.
7. Report by the Parish Council – Councillor Halton read a report on behalf of the Parish Council. Tribute was paid to David Prior, former Chairman of the Parish Council, who had passed away in January of this year, Copy of the report attached to the minutes and available from the Clerk on request.
8. Report by Responsible Finance Officer – for year April 2014 to March 2015.
A report was given by the Clerk relating to the Parish Council's accounts for the last year. A copy of the draft accounts is attached to minutes and available from the Clerk on request.
9. Report by District Councillor – Cllr David Burn gave his report as attached to the minutes (A copy of the report is available from the Clerk on request).

10. Reports were received from:

- a) Brome and Oakley Community Council – Mr Smith gave his report (copy available from the Clerk on request) which is attached to the minutes and detailed 150 current members and a range of activities.
- b) Brome and Oakley Village Hall Management Committee – Mr John Parry, Secretary of the Village Hall Management Committee, gave a report on behalf of the committee. The facilities at the hall had been upgraded with a total of £22,000 of work including a kitchen refurbishment, roof and installation. Mr Parry gave details of how the funding had been achieved and the local tradespeople employed. (A copy of the report is attached to the minutes).
- c) Brome and Oakley Welfare Trust – Mr John Parry gave a report on behalf of the Welfare Trust. Donations to cover the cost of hospital visits had been paid. Ideas of who should benefit from the Welfare Trust could be made to any Trustee.
- d) Elizabeth, Lady Cornwallis Almshouse Trust – Juliet Bamber (Acting Chairman) gave a report on behalf of the Trust. A copy of the report available from the Clerk on request. There had been considerable turnover in occupancy of two of the cottages and one cottage was currently vacant.
- e) United Parish of Brome with Oakley Churches – Juliet Bamber also gave a report on behalf of the Parochial Church Council. A new rector should soon arrive in the parishes. A copy available from the Clerk on request.

11. Open Forum

There were no matters raised.

12. Any other business.

None.

Meeting closed at 20.45

Minutes approved on 2016

Signed Chairman