

Harby Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 5th April 2018 at Harby Village Hall



Start: 19:00	Finish: 19:37	Reference:134/18
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Councillors Present: C Nolan (Chair), T Medley, S Parkin, D Quibell, J Rose and R Thursby.
Clerk: Caron Ballantyne
Members of the public present: 4 members of the public present

Item	Title and Decision
134/18/1	Apologies for absence Apologies received from Cllr Howard, Louise Herrick, County & District Councillor Dobson and District Councillor Clarke, noted
134/18/2	To receive the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 23 March 2017 Minutes agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chair
134/18/3	Chairs Report on Parish Events Firstly I would like to thank Caron for the excellent work she has done over the past year. Her hard work and common sense approach has been an asset to the council and her support to me personally has been very much appreciated. Maureen Dobson as both our District and County Councillor has continued to work very hard on behalf of Harby. The Councils is very appreciative of her support. Thanks to Maureen's perseverance we will soon be seeing Harby Bridge being repaired. Another thank you must go to Katie our PCSO. She is always quick to respond when she is contacted and is always supportive especially with regard to speeding traffic. Thank you to all the Parish Councillors for their support and contribution over the past year. 2017 saw the council achieving the Local Council award scheme Foundation. Work will hopefully soon take place on the Millfield Close allotments, which will see the area fenced appropriately which will help to ensure dogs do not foul the area. 2017 saw the refurbishment of the Village sign, whilst the new metal post has still to be painted, which will be done once the weather improves, I would like to thank everyone involved. An excellent and worthwhile job. Speeding traffic remains an issue however a speedwatch campaigns have been successful with over 60 offenders receiving letters from the Police. Another campaign will commence shortly. Notices for Wheelie bins have been well received by the Parishioners. Following a suggestion from a community minder parishioner a grit bin has now been placed on Wigsley Road near the bridge. A First Aid course was recently held in the Village. Whilst only a few residents attended it would be good to run the evening again if we could guarantee greater attendance. 2018 will see challenges, but again with the guidance of our clerk we look forward to a very positive year.
134/18/4	Draft Governance Statement and financial report for the year 2017/18: The draft end of year financial documents were presented for information. Query raised from the public about what makes up the total for fixed assets, a brief description of the items that this includes was given and advised that a complete list is available on the asset register posted on the website.

134/18/5	<p>Open Forum for Parishioner's comments and questions</p> <p>The only comment raised was that the Harby welcome pack published on the website, has the wrong contact for the bowls club – Cllr Rose will amend this as soon as possible, along with a few other amendment, which have recently come to light.</p>
134/18/6	<p>Representatives of groups within the Parish to report on progress in the last year and plans for the future</p> <p><i>Written Report for Harby History Group as Louise Herrick was absent</i></p> <p>The group has continued to meet monthly during the last year, except for the usual summer and Christmas breaks.</p> <p>During this time we have had guest and member speakers in the village hall lounge, a visit to Laxton to see the 3 Field System and celebrated out 15th birthday. We have also sold several copies of the second edition of "The History of Harby in Nottinghamshire" and participated in the Harby coffee morning and helped to arrange the visit by an outside acting duo to show the "Eleanor Longshanks storytelling" in the church.</p> <p>Coming up we have more speakers booked and trips to RAF Scampton visitor centre and Lincoln Arboretum.</p> <p>Our biggest challenge is finding new members. We have a great team of core members but would like to see numbers increase so we can afford the more expensive speakers, making it more varied for everyone.</p> <p><i>Report for Harby Village Hall from Janet Medley</i></p> <p>In 2017 there have been a total 288 bookings, 96 bookings were for the post office. The Parish Councils (Harby & Wigsley) have had 18 bookings and the number of clubs is increasing with a total of 113 bookings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Income just about covers our expenses so for any additional maintenance work has to come from savings. • During the last year, several heaters in the main hall were replaced and a new outside light over the external lounge door was installed. • The committee have decided, subject to price, to have two external notice boards for village / hall use to be dedicated to Catherine Withers. • The results of the Community Led Plan showed an interest in additional clubs. There are currently 6 running with regular bookings. Two more start in April, the over 50's Get Active on Wednesdays at 10.30am and a Hard Fitness group on Thursday evenings at 7.15pm. <p><i>Report for Community Led Plan (CLP) from Jayne Rose</i></p> <p>The Monitoring Group continues to meet every 3-4 months, with the AGM being held on 9th May.</p> <p>Each village also has their Working Parties.</p> <p><i>Joint Issues</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadband - now available in all three villages. • Access to Sustrans cycle path at bridge between Wigsley and Thorney – owner of the land has been established as Railway Paths, Notts CC to apply for Right of Way. • Transport to Doctors etc. – Voluntary Car Scheme running successfully to medical appointments and social activities in all three villages and beyond. • Anti-social behaviour – representatives from all three villages attend the Safer Neighbourhood Group meetings regularly. • Speeding – Harby Parish Council has used the Collingham Speed Camera to monitor the speed of vehicles in Harby and has distributed speed awareness wheelie bin stickers to the majority of properties in Harby.

	<p>Future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobile phone signal – encouraging residents to write to Vodafone and look at contacting other providers. <p>Harby Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional groups and activities – Yoga and Dodgeball started during the last year. Keep Fit and Over 50s activity sessions to start soon. • Promotion of groups & services – a lot more events and activities have been advertised on the Harby website. Website also now linked to Facebook page. <p>Future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote website more.
134/18/7	<p>Collection of allotment rents</p> <p>Rents were collected prior to and at the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allotment rent: £96. Outstanding rent to be chased. • Station Road field: £389 • Jowett’s Wood rent: £12