THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

held on 18th MAY, 2015 at 7.00pm at the Parish Council Offices.

MINUTES:

PRESENT: Chairman Cllr. Roger Wilkins, Vice-Chairman Cllr. Russell Tillson, Cllr. Paul Brownscombe, Cllr. Arran Harvey, Cllr. Terry Mullard, Cllr. Merlin Redding. Parish clerk and 2 members of the public.

APOLOGIES:

Cllr. Ian Meyers – away

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Cllr. Wilkins welcomed Cllr. Brownscombe and Cllr. Redding to the parish council and thanked all councillors and clerk for their efforts and commitment over the last year.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Harvey, that Cllr. Wilkins be nominated as chairman. Cllr. Mullard expressed interest in being chairman but there was no proposer. Cllr. Wilkins asked for a vote. For: 5 Against:0 Abstentions:1 Cllr Wilkins was elected Chairman

DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE:

Chairman, Cllr. Wilkins signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Chairman. All Councillors signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to the meeting.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Proposed by Cllr. Wilkins, seconded by Cllr. Harvey that Cllr. Tillson be nominated as vice-chairman.

There was no further nomination and Cllr. Tillson was elected as Vice-Chairman

CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS:

Clerk informed that SDC has given approval for town/parish councils to co-opt. The parish council will welcome nominations and propose to interview applicants immediately before the next council meeting on 8th June.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Statement of Accounts for the year was tabled and clerk informed the accounts our subject to audit:

Current A/C £39,000 Business A/C £35,145 NS&I A/C £47,121

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Wilkins that the accounts be accepted. All agreed

AUTHORISATION OF CHAIRMAN'S ALLOWANCE:

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Mullard, that the Chairman's allowance of £400, as recorded in DPC's budget for 2015/16, be approved. Unanimous.

DPC WORKING GROUPS:

Cllr. Tillson suggested the council re-constitutes two working groups; one economic and planning and another asset and amenities.

Proposed by Cllr. Wilkins, seconded by Cllr. Tillson that two workings groups be formed. Voting Unanimous.

It was agreed that the Beach Advisory Group remain active and continue to meet. Cllr. Tillson would continue to chair the meetings.

APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES:

Cllr. Terry Mullard was nominated as DPC representative. The parish council is permitted 2 representatives.

APPOINTMENT OF TWINNING ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE:

Cllr. Wilkins was nominated to continue as DPC representative.

APPOINTMENT OF SHEPWAY PLANNING USER GROUP REPRESENTATIVE:

Cllr. Tillson agreed to represent the parish council

APPOINTMENT OF MARSH FORUM REPRESENTATIVE:

Cllr. Brownscombe agreed to represent the parish council.

APPOINTMENT OF TOWN TRADER REPRESENTATIVE:

Cllr. Redding agreed to represent the parish council.

AGREE DATES AND TIMES OF ORDINARY MEETINGS OF FULL COUNCIL

Proposed by Cllr. Wilkins, seconded by Cllr. Tillson that meetings be held on the second Monday of the month. Voting: Unanmious.

STANDING ORDERS:

Clerk enquired if council wished to make any changes to its standing orders or financial regulations, as it is at the AGM when changes should be made. No changes requested.

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Meeting	closed	l at 7	1.35	pm
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