NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 15th MAY 2019

PRESENT: Councillors: S Bolton, M Whyte, L Tranter, A Parry

Clerk: C Price

and 3 members of the public

1. Election of Chair and Vice-chair

The Clerk invited nominations. Cllr Bolton proposed Cllr Whyte, this was seconded by Cllr Tranter. There were no other nominations. Cllr Whyte accepted, signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took over the chair.

It was agreed that the role of Vice-chair would be reconsidered when the current Councillor vacancies have been filled

2. To Accept Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Johnson, the previous Chair, and Cllr Brazel.

3. Declaration of Interest on Items on the Agenda

None

4. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the last Parish Council AGM Meeting held on 2nd May 2018 were proposed by Cllr Whyte, agreed as a true record of proceedings.

5. Councillors to enter Financial Interests in Register of Members' Interests

Councillors gave their completed Register of Members' Interests to the Clerk who will forward them to Stratford District Council who will make them accessible via their website.

6. Annual Audit

- a) The Parish Council confirmed the Parish Council's exemption from limited assurance review under Section 9 of the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015
- b) The Parish Council received the annual internal audit report

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- c) The Parish Council completed the annual governance statement
- d) The Parish Council certified the accounts statement for 2018/19
- e) The Parish Council agreed the period for the exercise of public rights will be 17th June to 27th July 2019

7. To Review Parish Council Policies (previously circulated)

- a) Standing Orders Reviewed and accepted
- b) Financial Regulations Reviewed and accepted
- c) Code of Conduct (Stratford District Council Model) Reviewed and accepted
- d) Grant Making Policy Deferred for discussion at July Meeting
- e) Training Policy Deferred for discussion at July Meeting
- f) Complaints Policy- Reviewed and accepted
- g) Risk Management Policy Deferred for discussion at July Meeting

8. To Agree Dates and venues for Council meetings for the coming year

It was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council meetings would be held in the Village Hall on:-

3rd July 2019

4th September 2019

6th November 2019

8th January 2020

4th March 2020

6th May 2020 (including Annual Parish Assembly and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council)

9. Appointment of Committee members and responsibilities

The following appointments were agreed:

i. Village Hall rep

Cllr Brazel.

ii. Church rep

Krys Pietrecki.

iii. Responsible Finance Officer

The Clerk.

iv. Allotments

The Clerk.

v. Emergency Plan

Cllr Whyte.

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vi Village Hut news Cllr Whyte.

vii Footpaths & Village Maintenance Cllr Bolton.

viii Welcome Pack Committee The Clerk.

ix Oakley Wood Committee Cllr Cooper.

x. Lengthsman Liaison Andrew Marshall.

xi. Planning Cllr Tranter.

xii. Community Engagement Cllr Whyte

10. Any other business agreed by the Chair as urgent

None.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

This meeting was immediately followed by the Annual Parish Meeting.