NEWBOLD PACEY AND ASHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 13th MAY 2015

 PRESENT:
 Councillors: S Bolton (Chair), J Cooper, A Marshall C Pate, W Carroll, F Kishor

 District Councillors: A Parry
 County Councillor: D Kendall

 Clerk : P Routly
 and 5 members of the public

<u>1. Election of Chairman</u>

Cllr Bolton spoke and stated he had served 8 years and it was his intention as previously communicated that he would not stand again. The Clerk took the chair to receive nominations. There were no nominations, and no other Cllr's were prepared to stand. Cllr Bolton as compromise suggested that he would serve six months then resign to hand over to the deputy. This still did not serve to resolve the impass. After much discussion Cllr Bolton accepted the proposal to remain as chair for a further 12 months, on the basis someone must then stand. All agreed this was a way forward. Therefore Cllr Bolton was proposed to be Chairman by Cllr Carroll, this was seconded by Cllr Cooper and carried unanimously. Cllr Bolton asked that all other Cllrs should seriously think about being chair, and workload could be spread, he also asked the other Cllrs undertook training.

The Clerk reminded the Council that as a result of this decision the standing orders would be amended permitting a Chair to stand more than 4 years, all accepted this amendment.

2. To Accept Apologies for Absence

None.

3. Declaration of Interest on Items on the Agenda

Cllr Bolton declared a personal interest in footpaths. Cllr Marshall declared a personal interest in the Village Hall as a trustee. Cllr Carroll declared a personal interest in the Village Hall as a trustee. Cllr Cooper declared a personal interest in Oakley Woods.

4. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the last Parish Council AGM Meeting held on 7th May 2014 were unanimously accepted as a true record of proceedings.

5. To receive Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

This was not required as the Chairman remained the same.

6. Election of Vice-Chair

Cllr Pate proposed Cllr Marshall; this was seconded by Cllr Cooper. He accepted.

7. To receive all Councillor's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

The Clerk had pre circulated the forms and requested they were returned in 28 days.

8. To decide when any Declaration of Acceptance of Office which have not been received as provided by law, shall be received

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9. Councillors to enter financial interests in Register of Members' Interests or agree a date for completion within 28 days of adopting Code.

The Clerk requested that the Parish Councillors' complete new declarations of Financial and Other Interests and return within 28 days..

10. 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:-

1st July 2015 2nd September 2015 11th November 2015 6th January 2016 2nd March 2016 4th May 2016 (AGM)

11. Appointment of Committee members and responsibilities

i. Village Hall rep

Cllr Marshall was proposed by Cllr Carroll, seconded by Cllr Cooper, this was carried unanimously. He accepted.

ii. Church rep

Cllr Kishor was proposed by Cllr Cooper, seconded by Cllr Pate, this was carried unanimously. She accepted.

iii. Responsible Finance Officer

The Clerk was proposed by Cllr Bolton, seconded by Cllr Cooper, this was carried unanimously. She accepted.

iv. Allotments

The Clerk was proposed by Cllr Cooper, seconded by Cllr Kishor , this was carried unanimously . She accepted

v. Emergency Plan

Cllr Cooper was proposed by Cllr Pate, seconded by Cllr Marshall, this was carried unanimously. She accepted

vi. Village Garden

Cllr Carroll was proposed by Cllr Bolton, seconded by Cllr Pate, this was carried unanimously. He accepted

vii Village Hut news

Cllr Cooper was proposed by Cllr Carroll, seconded by Cllr Marshall , this was carried unanimously . She accepted

viii Footpaths Cllr Bolton was proposed by Cllr Pate, seconded by Cllr Kishor, this was carried unanimously. He accepted

ix Welcome Pack Committee Cllr Kishor was proposed by Cllr Cooper, seconded by Cllr Carroll, this was carried unanimously. She accepted

x Oakly Wood Committee Cllr Cooper was proposed by Cllr Marshall, seconded by Cllr Pate, this was carried unanimously. She accepted

12. To agree Cheque signatories and sign appropriate Bank Mandate

It was unanimously agreed cheque signatories would remain Cllr Marshall, Cllr Bolton and Cllr Cooper.

14. Any other business

None

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

This meeting was immediately followed by an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council.