

Annual Southorpe Parish Meeting

Minutes of meeting held at Ufford Village Hall at 1913 hours on Wednesday 11 May 2022

Councillors present: Simon Little (SL) (Chair)

Carl Brown (ACB)

Corinna Blackmore (CB)

Peter Corder (PC)

Victoria Haynes (VH)

PCC Ward Councillor David Over (DO)

Members of the public: Alison Hurford

1. Apologies for absence

No apologies were received.

2. Minutes of the meeting of 19 May 2021

The minutes of the last annual meeting held on 19 May 2021 were approved as a true record without amendment and signed by the Chairman (proposed by ACB and seconded by PC).

3. Address by Chairman

SL addressed those present and informed them that the meeting was not a Parish Council meeting, and the purpose of this Annual Parish Meeting was for Parish electors to meet formally and contribute to the agenda, to celebrate local events and to debate current local issues in our community.

4. Items from Parishioners for discussion

1. Carl Brown wished to highlight the continued success of the 'Southorpe' WhatsApp group, which was formed in March 2020, and which had assisted greatly in communications between local residents throughout the pandemic. A number of additional persons have joined the group during the past year. The WhatsApp group is a successful social media tool within the community and the plan is to keep it active. ACB invited any non-members who wish to join to contact either of the administrators of the group, Richard Joy (07734 107934) or Carl (07946 528300).
2. Mrs Vanessa Brown wished to update everyone on the recent activities of the Southorpe Litter Group. The Group, consisting of a number of volunteers from the village, undertook two days of litter picking along all the roads within the parish on 25 and 26 February 2022. Dozens of sacks of rubbish were collected along with many other large items which had been illegally disposed of along the grass verges and hedgerows. Vanessa thanked all those who had joined in these events. Future events are being planned for the Autumn and Spring of 2023 and anyone wishing to participate can contact Vanessa on 07958 877376.

5. Any other Business

There was no other business.

The meeting was closed at 1920 hours.