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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Exbourne with Jacobstowe Parish Council held on Wednesday 25th May 2016 at 19.50 in the Village Hall, Exbourne.

1. Those present

Cllr M. Luxton – retiring chairman Cllr S. Blakeman Cllr Mrs. R. Williams Cllr U. Lawson Cllr T. Foster Cllr A. Hedley Cllr B. Cobb

There were three members of the public present. Lois Samuel, Borough Councillor for the Exbourne Ward, and James McInnes, County Councillor for Hatherleigh and Chagford Ward, were present.

2. Apologies for absence – Borough Councillor Louise Watts had sent her apologies.

3. Election of a chairman – Cllr Luxton invited nominations for chairman. Cllr Lawson proposed Cllr Blakeman. This was seconded by Cllr Cobb. A unanimous vote in favour. Cllr Blakeman confirmed he was prepared to accept the nomination. Cllr Blakeman thanked Cllr Luxton and took the chair. Cllr Luxton left the meeting.

4. Declaration of acceptance of office - Cllr Blakeman signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

5. Election of Vice Chairman – Cllr Lawson proposed Cllr Mrs. Williams. She confirmed she did not wish to be Vice Chairman for a second term. Cllr Lawson withdrew this nomination and then proposed Cllr Hedley. This was seconded by Cllr Mrs. Williams. Cllr Hedley confirmed he was prepared to accept this nomination. Cllr Hedley is Vice Chairman.

6. Representatives to Committees

Northern Links – Cllr Lawson will continue to be the main representative. Cllr Mrs R Williams stated she would take on the role of reserve representative. This was unanimously agreed by all.

Exbourne Playing Fields Association – Cllr Foster confirmed he was happy to remain in this role. This was unanimously agreed by all.

Link with the school – Cllr Mrs. Williams stated she was happy to remain in this role.

P3 Co-ordinators – Steve Attfield and Tim Laws. The clerk will contact them and ascertain that they are happy to remain in this role.

Finance Working Group – Cllrs Cobb, Hedley and Mrs. R. Williams are currently the members of this committee. They confirmed that they were happy to remain as members of the FWG.

Village Hall Committee – Cllr Blakeman stated he was happy to remain as the council's representative on this committee.

Neighbourhood Plan Group – Cllr Hedley confirmed that he was happy to remain as the parish councils representative on this group.

Link with Highways – It was unanimously agreed that when the Lengthsman is visiting the parish the whole council will discuss the sites to visit.

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7. Dates and venues of meetings for the forthcoming year – the clerk informed the council that at the February meeting it had been agreed to continue to hold the council meetings on the last Wednesday of each month (except December when no meeting is held). It had also been decided to hold three meeting at Jacobstowe in July, September and January.

The chairman asked the council if they were happy with this and the council were unanimous in wishing to stick with what has formerly been agreed.

8. There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.05