

MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF
THE PARISH OF OGBOURNE ST GEORGE
TO BE HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON
THURSDAY 3rd MAY 2012 at 7:30pm

Attending Councillors:

Keith MacDonald
Keith Wallace
Richard Iliffe
Kevin Howard
Wendy Reardon-Smith
Timothy George

County Councillor

Jemima Milton

Police

PC Dave Tippetts

Clerk

Cliff Freeman

5 Parishioner attended

- 1 Minutes of previous Annual Parish Meeting
 - Signed on behalf of Martin Groves by Chairman MacDonald
- 2 Matters arising
 - Nothing declared
- 3 Chairman's Report
 - We've had more meetings and attended other community meetings – but the new devolved powers have yet to see benefits.
 - We have sufficient volunteers for the speed watch but training to be yet to be scheduled
 - Traffic Action Group supported by Councillor Reardon-Smith has a grant £1000 for consultancy work on potential village traffic control measures around the village.
 - The wall of the Jubilee gardens has been repaired with contribution from Carol Manos and a new bench grant has been received.
 - Parish Plan group working well
 - Councillor Wallace congratulated the Parish Plan group – an excellent job so far.
- 4 Financial Report
 - Value of fixed assets are more than two bus shelters and a few lights. Councillor Howard asked: Does the new bench need to go on the asset register?
 - The Council does not have a current risk register – a risk assessment needs to be performed in accordance with best practise.

This will be addressed when the new Financial regulations are adopted.

5 Charity Report:

- Timothy Frost is to provide a report to the Clerk.
- Councillor Wallace – ask whether we should consider whether the charities still fulfil a need. Reported last year. Objectives of the charity widened so that trustees can make more general contributions in the parish
- Councillor MacDonald asked how big is the Firs piece of land. This is to be confirmed.(by whom?)
- Charlotte Frost presented the Village hall report – there are an number of financial challenges:
- Boiler needed changing, the 5 yearly electrical inspection was expensive but donations where received that helped.
- The path has been repaired
- New floor- £6k+ but may get a grant. KH Can the council help? It seems not.

6 Parish Plan Report

- Ineke Scott presented report, the next meeting is on the 7th May. Councillors attended and demonstrated engagement. Baydon results helped support our views.
- Councillor George ask what's the target date for the final plan to be published. Results as presented will be on the web site. Time line for final plan will be issued at the next meeting.

7 Any other business

- Police report – nothing to report
- County Council report – funds reduce by 3.2m 32.6m savings needed.
- Broad band across Wilts – Counillor Howard asked what are the implications for Ogbourne St George? How do we find out? This will be investigated.
- Councillor Mlton gave a report on recent action taken by Wiltshire County Council, despite budget cutbacks. She also outlined the arrangement for local consultation.