

POLTIMORE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk: Mrs J Edwards 3 Glebe Cottages Poltimore Exeter Devon EX4 0AP

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 18th MAY 2015

Present:	Joy Howell-Jones	-	Councillor
	James Feeseey	-	Councillor
	Anthony Howell-Jones	-	Councillor
	David Appleby	-	Councillor
	Colin Kirkman	-	Councillor
	Mrs J Edwards	-	Parish Clerk
	Member of public	-	None

26/15 - APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr C Appleby (Family commitment)
Cllr R Gibbins (Farming problem)

27/15 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

There was one nomination put forward for Chairman Cllr A Howell-Jones was elected unopposed to be the elected Chairman for 2015/16. Declaration of "Acceptance of Office" were signed by all Councillors present.

28/15 MINUTES FROM THE AGM MEETING 2014

The minutes for 21st May 2014 were accepted as a true and accurate record by the Councillors that attended that meeting. The Chairman signed and dated the minutes.

29/15 - ANNUAL REPORT FROM Cllr Joy Howell-Jones Out going Chairman

Our past year has been an interesting one, albeit not quite so busy. Planning applications are always around but the main ones this year are at the top of Church Lane which does come just within our boundary.

The Solar farm at Francis Court farm (passed last year has taken a while to get under way) as Lumicity has sold to Martifer Solar which might explain the delay. As far as we know all is still planned and solar panels will be put on the village roof plus money to the church.

High speed Broadband has entered the village at last and quite a few of us have taken up the offer to speed up time waiting on the computer for a connection to the internet.

We carried out our second traffic survey in October but numbers were not significantly raised. We will repeat this each year to keep a check.

Last summer we commemorated the start of WW1 with a joint exhibition with Poltimore House and the friends of Poltimore Church. The Parish Council used the hall where refreshments were served and a display of various memorabilia including a WW1 uniform. The event lasted two days and was well attended by many from the village and further afield. I think all were impressed by the effort and on behalf of the Parish Council, a huge thank you to all who contributed in any way.

Coffee mornings started in January and although numbers are small, it seems to be appreciated by those who come regularly.

The building at Westclyst Phase 2 was passed last year subject to sorting the roundabout at Pinhoe, and now we wait to see the start of the one way system in the centre of the Pinhoe following the demolition of the Poltimore Arms Public House.

At the beginning of the council year we had 2 vacancies for councillors but Diane Cunningham resigned mid-year and I am pleased to say three people have stepped up to the plate. We welcomed David Appleby, Colin Kirkman and Richard Gibbins so we are now a full complement of councillors.

Thank you all new and previous councillors for your input and help through the previous year. This year I wish to step down as Chairman, and would like to make a special thank you on behalf of the councillors but especially myself to Jenny Edwards our Clerk who does such a wonderful job behind the scenes, keeping us all up to date with what is going on and prompting us when we forget something or get it wrong. A huge, huge thank you Jenny.

Thank you for all your support and may next year be kind to us all.

Joy Howell-Jones

30/15 - FINANCE

The accounts for the year ending 31 Mar 15 had already been presented to the internal auditor and to the Councillors. The Annual Governance statement was approved by all Councillors and had been forwarded to the external auditor.

31/15 DATE OF THE AGM 2016

The next AGM will be held in Poltimore Village Hall on May 2016 DTD

The AGM closed at 7.25pm

Chairperson



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