

MOSTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 4th May 2021 via Zoom. The meeting opened at 7.27pm, following on from the Annual Village Meeting.

Present: Cllr R Fry, Cllr N Hickman, Cllr C Lamb,. In Attendance: 3 residents.

2021/024	<p>Apologies for Absence Cllr Jim Cooper sent his apologies. A grant of dispensation is in place as Cllr Cooper is unable to attend the meetings via Zoom due to lack of internet speed. Cllr A Bullock also sent her apologies. County Cllr Rebecca Knox also sent her apologies. All apologies were accepted.</p>	
2021/025	<p>Election of Chairman Cllr. Fry proposed that Cllr. Hickman be elected as Chairman, this was seconded by Cllr. Lamb. There being no other nominations Cllr Hickman was elected to the position of Chairperson.</p>	
2021/026	<p>Election of Vice Chairman Cllr. Hickman proposed that Cllr. Fry be elected as Vice-Chairman, this was seconded by Cllr. Lamb. There being no other nominations Cllr. Fry was elected to the position of Vice - Chairperson.</p>	
2021/027	<p>Approval of the Minutes of AGM 2019 held on 14th May 2021, having been previously circulated were accepted as a true record and will be signed by the Chairman.</p>	
2021/028	<p>Chairman's Report for the Year 2020-201 Cllr Hickman gave the following report: Mosterton Parish Council has had a difficult few months. New issues have arisen and the ongoing Covid situation has made things difficult. As a result the parish council has had to find new way of communicating, largely via Zoom, which is not ideal and has its pros and cons, but has allowed the business of the council to continue. We have increased the number of plots at the allotments, held meetings with the Highways Department and taken on a caretaker to look after the play area. We have also moved to Internet banking making online payments swifter and more efficient. The plan for the future is to keep going as we are, to speak to more people and groups in the community and find out what they want from their parish council. It should be recognised that coming out of the lockdown some people will still have significant anxieties. One ongoing issue we seem to have in village is some low level vandalism around the park area, which we hope to address. This has been a sad and difficult year for a lot of people. Mosterton Parish Council lost a true friend and supporter in Janet Page from Beaminster. It has been a busy year, and</p>	

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Signed.....Name.....Date

	my thanks go to the parish councilors and the clerk for their efforts.							
2021/029	<p>Financial Report for the Year 2020-2021</p> <p>a) The clerk, having previously circulated the documents presented the Accounting Governance Statement to the parish council. These were considered and approved by the parish council, proposed by Cllr Hickman, and seconded by Cllr Fry.</p> <p>b) The Annual Accounting statements were accepted and approved by the parish council, proposed by Cllr Hickman, and seconded by Cllr Fry. The annual accounts for the year 2020-2021 were reported as follows</p> <table data-bbox="341 567 1380 735"> <tr> <td>Total receipts for the year were</td> <td>£ 18,138.26</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total payments for the year were</td> <td>£ 21,817.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Balance in hand as at 31st March 2021</td> <td>£ 31,165.21 a reduction in reserves of £3,679.54 over the course of the year.</td> </tr> </table> <p>c) The council will now apply for a Certificate of Exception from a limited assurance review under Section 9 of the Local Audit (Smaller Authorities) Regulations 2015, on the grounds of being below the income and expenditure thresholds for the year 2020-2021.</p> <p>d) The accounting statements will be signed by the Chair of the Parish Council, Cllr Hickman. Full details will be available on the website shortly. The clerk recorded her thanks to Mrs Angela Gillingham, who carried out the internal audit.</p>	Total receipts for the year were	£ 18,138.26	Total payments for the year were	£ 21,817.80	Balance in hand as at 31 st March 2021	£ 31,165.21 a reduction in reserves of £3,679.54 over the course of the year.	
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Meeting closed at 7.37 pm