

KINLET PARISH COUNCIL.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

held on Monday 13th May 2019 in the Parish Hall

commencing at 8.00 p.m.

PRESENT:- Mr P. Kirton (chairman) Mr D. Haywood, Mr. P. Horsfall, Mr C. Lloyd, Mrs J. Rowley, Mrs M. Quick, Ms C. Fell, Mr Simon Harris and Mrs J. Burgess (Clerk)
Also in attendance Mrs M. Shingleton and 1 Parishioner.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Mr P. Robinson, Mr G. Butler, Mr R. Crawford and Mrs M. Lee.

2. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2018. This had been circulated to all councillors, copies were available at the meeting and on the website and taken as read. Proposed, seconded and approved.

3. MATTERS ARISING. No matters were raised.

4. ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL REPORT 2018/2019. This also had been circulated to all councillors, copies were available at the meeting and on the website and taken as read.

5. ORGANISATIONS REPORTS.

a. Women's Institute. Mrs Lee had reported an increase in membership which was pleasing. The programme had been enjoyable and varied. As part of the Severn Group further opportunities had opened up to them and they participated in extra activities, including a quiz, carol service and visits to other local WIs to name but a few. They remained a close, friendly small group of ladies and always welcomed new members and new ideas.

b. Kinlet Village Hall. Mr. D. Haywood advised that the Hall continued to be well used with more private functions during the past year. They were about to upgrade the kitchen units and remove the bars from the windows. Updating of the electricity system to bring it up to acceptable standard was required and quotations were awaited. Bingo, Skittles and the 150 Club were still their mainstay of income. Thanks were expressed to the Parish Council for its generous support each year.

c. School. In his report Mr P. Engleheart advised that the school had had a successful year with a happier and calmer atmosphere now. There was a good relationship with the Church which was valued. They had received a good Ofsted Report last year. There was a new curriculum framework which would be used in September and they were hoping to attract children from outside the area as the nature of the local population did not provide sufficient numbers.

d. Playgroup. There was no report from the Playgroup.

e. Countryside Group. Mr. Engleheart advised that this had been a quieter year for the group. They had not met every month due mainly to the weather and availability of helpers. They had carried out a programme of minor maintenance. It was being considered re-publishing the Walk leaflets published some year ago. A few more helpers would be appreciated for this interesting and rewarding work.

f. Neighbourhood Watch. Mr R. Crawford's report advised that Kinlet continued to be a low crime Parish and they continued to highlight potential problems with awareness campaigns

and A4 posters were available for notice boards and bus shelters. These brought focus to various concerns and also made the casual visitor aware that Kinlet had an active Neighbourhood Watch. The co-ordinator team had now increased from 9 to 11. Smartwater was in operation throughout the Parish and Neighbourhood Watch signs and Smartwater signs were in stock should any need to be replaced or new sites established. He thanked the Parish Council for their continued support.

g. Local Joint Committee. Whilst no funding was now received for this project from S.C. regular meetings were held for a general discussion between members.

h. Bridge Club. Mr Haywood advised that the The Bridge Club met every other Monday afternoon throughout the year for a friendly game of bridge. There were usually three or four tables and 3 new members have been welcomed recently from as far away as Bridgnorth and Hartlebury. Play started at 2.00 p.m. with the players enjoying tea and biscuits halfway through the afternoon and usually finished around 5.00 p.m.

i. Cleobury Youth Partnership/St. Mary's Youth Project. Mr. Haywood reported that they continued to meet to discuss Youth matters throughout the former C.M.L.J.C. area. There was still no support from Shropshire Council and they relied on donations from Cleobury Town Council and a few Parish Councils (of which Kinlet was one). The Scouts and Guides were still well attended but St. Mary's project was a real success story.

j. St. John the Baptist Church. The report from the Church Wardens was taken as read (Copies had been circulated to all councillors and hard copies were available at the meeting)

6. Shropshire Councillors' Reports. Copies of **Mrs M. Shineton's** and **Mr. G. Butler's** report had been circulated to all councillors. Hard copies had been available at the meeting and they were taken as read. Mrs Shineton was present at the meeting and was happy to answer any queries.

(Copies of all the reports taken as read are on file and can be obtained via the Clerk)

7. Any Other Business. None was raised.

8. CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING REMARKS. Mr. Kirton thanked the two County Councillors, the Parish Clerk and all the councillors for their efforts and commitment during the year. Mr. Harris thanked the Chairman for his capable leading of the Parish Council during the year which resulted in a pleasant atmosphere in which to work.

The meeting closed at approximately 8.30 p.m.