

ESH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at The Miners Institute, Church Street, Langley Park on Tuesday **12th May 2015** commencing at 7.14pm.

Present: Councillors: G Hawxwell (Chair), B. Armstrong, R. Bowyer, A Mollon, K. Heartfield, P. Mollon, R. Moralee, S. Bell, M. McGaun

Also Present: County Councillor J. Armstrong, G. Smith (Clerk),
M. L. Rowland (Deputy Clerk), J. Cooper, D. Greenwood and I
Dowson (Members of the Public)

Apologies: Councillors: M. Sands and L. Finch

AGM 01/15 Chairman’s Statement – The Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2015

The Chairman read out the statement

AGM 02/15 Election of Chairman

Councillor Hawxwell was proposed by Councillor A Mollon and seconded by Councillor Bowyer, no other candidate was nominated. Following a vote, all Councillors agreed that Councillor Hawxwell take the Chair of Esh Parish Council for the ensuring year.

Councillor Hawxwell in the Chair

AGM 03/15 Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman

Councillor Hawxwell signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, countersigned by the Clerk and witnessed by the Councillors present at the meeting.

AGM 04/15 Representation by Residents

None

AGM 05/15 Election of Vice Chairman

Councillor A. Mollon was proposed by Councillor Heartfield and seconded by Councillor P. Mollon, no other candidate was nominated. Following a vote, all Councillors agreed that Councillor A. Mollon is Vice Chair of Esh Parish Council for the ensuring year.

AGM 06/15 Appointment of Responsible Financial Officer and Deputy Responsible Financial Officer

Members agreed to re-appoint the Clerk as Responsible Financial Officer and the Deputy Clerk as Deputy Responsible Financial Officer.

AGM 07/15 Cheque Signatories

Councillor Renneberg has resigned, it was agreed to remove him from the Co-Operative Bank Cheque Signatories. Also confirm the remaining cheque signatories as Councillors Bowyer, Hawxwell and A. Mollon.

AGM 08/15 Standing Orders

Members agreed to amend the present standing orders to incorporate recent changes in legislation. All Councillors are to receive a copy of the amended document. Agreed that a copy to be placed on the Council's website.

AGM 09/15 Financial Regulations

Members agreed to make no changes to the present financial regulations. All Councillors are to receive a copy of the document. Agreed that a copy to be placed on the Council's website.

AGM 10/15 Chairman's Allowance

Members agreed that the current Allowance of £200 be paid to the Chairman for the ensuring year.

AGM 11/15 Annual Risk Assessment Statement

As there are no changes to the statement, members agreed for all Councillors to receive a copy of the document. Agreed that a copy to be placed on the Council's website.

AGM 12/15 Asset Register of Council Property

As there are no changes to the register, members agreed for all Councillors to receive a copy of the document. Agreed that a copy to be placed on the Council's website.

AGM 13/15 Dates of Future Meetings

Members agreed for Ordinary Parish Council meetings to take place on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except the month of August when no meetings are held), commencing at 7pm unless following the Annual Assembly (May) or the Annual General Meeting (May). One meeting is to be held at Quebec Village Hall, the remaining to be held at the Miners Institute Building, Church Street, Langley Park. Agreed that all Councillors to receive a copy of the schedule. Agreed that a copy to be placed on the website, notice boards and Parish Office.

The meeting finished at 7.20pm