

NETHER WYRESDALE PARISH COUNCIL

AGM minutes & annual meeting for the PC meeting on 7th May 2015, 7.30PM @ Scorton School

Present: Cllrs Anderton, Cottle and Atkinson, the clerk and 4 members of the public.

1. Apologies:

Wyre Councillor Val Wilson

Cllr Annie Collinson

Former parish councillor Colin Babbs

Sanjeev Prashar (who will become the new parish councillor upon completion of the acceptance of office form)

2. Dec of interest:

None

3. Minutes from last AGM:

Signed as a correct record on 05/06/14.

4. Arising:

No matters arising from last AGM

5. Election of officers:

Chairman & Vice chairman

The above have been deferred until June due to absence of remaining councillors and pending the appointment of a new parish councillor by co-option to fill the vacancy.

6. Chairman's report:

The clerk read Cllr Collinson's report as follows:

"Thank you all for your effort and time for the last year I am pleased that all of us have attended the majority of meetings. John Gorst has announced that he will not be standing this year but has volunteered a replacement candidate. I understand John has served many years as a Councillor so we thank him for all his effort, his experience and pragmatism will be missed.

The Scorton village website continues to advertise NWPC and is updated by Joanne Golton and Melanie Harben.

The community taxi also continues to run with some subsidy from NWPC. NWPC has increased the contributions it makes to both Dolphinholme and Scorton village halls. In Scorton's case, the increased subsidy was due to the loss of one of its long established customers, the Antiques fair.

LCC Cllr Sandra Perkins has successfully approved the re-opening of Claughton re-cycling facility. We still await confirmation of the actual opening date.

NWPC have opted out of the joint lengthsman's scheme. We thank Josh Rossall for his work over the last twelve years and welcome our new lengthsman John Slinger. John has been appointed for a period of one year and his contract will be renewed annually subject to the agreement of all parties.

NWPC continues to work with the Bikes and Barrows committee, to develop the Playing Field facility, as well as other village improvements. Over £30,000 of grant applications has been approved and we hope to see work progress on the installation of a Multi-Use Games Area, in the coming months.

Thank you for effort and support."

7. Finance:

Accounts 2014/15

It was agreed and seconded to approve the accounting statement and annual governance statement. The annual return was duly signed by the vice chairman.

8. Open forum:

None

9. Annual meeting:

There were no matters raised from the public present in response to the chair's report.

As there was no further business, the meeting concluded at 7.40PM and was followed by the ordinary meeting of the Parish Council.