

ASHBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Venue: Village Hall, Ashbury

Date: Monday 11 May 2009

Attendees: Marion Turner, Andy England, Peggy Leon, Bill Spence, Steve Treadwell, Anda Fitzgerald O'Connor (County Councillor) and Yvonne Constance (District Councillor)

Apologies: Christopher Prentice

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Minutes of the last AGM

Minutes of the last AGM held on 12 May 2008 were read, agreed and signed.

Chairman's report

The Chairman thanked members of the parish council for their input over the past year. Thanks were also given for the clerk's support.

Thanks were also given for the work undertaken by Diane MacLaren for the website, to Stuart Smith for his involvement as School Governor and also to Roger Simons for his police liaison role.

The Chairman noted that over the course of the year, several local issues had been raised and had been successfully completed by the council. On going concerns include the flood prevention work in Chapel Lane, emergency planning (eg pandemic flu or severe weather), the expansion of Swindon and the proposed improvement work at Upper Mill pond.

Elections

The Chairman and Vice Chairman stood down and the following elections were recorded:

Chairman	Marion Turner	Proposed by Peggy Leon Seconded by Steve Treadwell
Vice Chairman	Andy England	Proposed by Steve Treadwell Seconded by Marion Turner
Councillor for Transport issues	Bill Spence	Proposed by Andy England Seconded by Marion Turner
Councillor for Planning issues (inc pond regeneration)	Steve Treadwell	Proposed by Andy England Seconded by Peggy Leon
Village Hall liaison	Peggy Leon	Proposed by Steve Treadwell Seconded by Marion Turner

Statement of Accounts

The financial accounts for the year ending 31 March 2009 were presented and signed. The council had an excess income of £540.84 for the year.

The clerk confirmed the audit would be completed and submitted. All figures were in place for submission.

It was agreed to publish the set of accounts on the website, for public viewing, following the audit.

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The council confirmed the annual governance statement (section 2) as required by the audit. No matters of concern were raised.

Financial matters

The clerk advised the insurance is due for renewal in June and the annual premium from Allianz has increased to £303.09. This was agreed by members of the council and the clerk will action in due course.

JRG

The level of Fidelity Guarantee Insurance is currently £5,400 and this was considered appropriate for the council and was duly agreed. It was noted this should be reviewed next year, possibly to increase the level of insurance.

Dates of future meetings

It is planned for the parish council to meet on the following dates:

29 June 2009
14 September
9 November
18 January 2010
1 March
3 May

The clerk will book the village hall for these dates and produce a schedule to be placed on village noticeboards.

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The meeting concluded at approximately 9.00pm