

# ASHBURY PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of Annual General Meeting

*Date:* Monday 12 May 2014

*Attendees:* Marion Turner, Eliza Lewis, Andy England, Barbara Rayner, Bill Spence, Steve Treadwell

*Clerk* James Greenham

*Apologies:* Yvonne Constance (County and District Councillor)

*Circulation:* As above plus minute file, village noticeboard and village website

### **Minutes of the last AGM**

Minutes of the last AGM held on 13 May 2013 were agreed and signed.

### **Chairman's report**

The Chairman thanked all members of the parish council for their input over the past 12 months, in what has been a very demanding year.

Notable outcomes for the council and local community included the replacement bus service (following the closure of the No 47 service), the rejection by the Planning Inspectorate of the housing development proposed on Land to the West of Idstone Road and the decision by VWHDC to arrange free school transport to *Oxfordshire* schools, not the nearest school. In addition, progress is being made on the development at Walnut Trees Hill, the local community shop, the Local Plan, the expansion of Swindon, the improvements to the A420 as well as the Community Arts Programme associated with the Walnut Trees Hill development.

The parish council continues to support the local community through donations to the Western Villages' Fighting Fund, the village hall, the annual Poppy Appeal as well as specific events such as Dementia Awareness courses.

Thanks were also offered to Mrs Sarah Loney who maintains the floral aspect of the war memorial green. The clerk was asked to issue a cheque for £50 to cover the cost of flowers.

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Formal thanks were also made to the clerk, to Yvonne Constance and to the Free Church as a suitable venue for the meetings.

### **Elections**

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

Chairman	Marion Turner	Proposed by Steve Treadwell Seconded by Andy England
Vice Chairman	Eliza Lewis	Proposed by Andy England Seconded by Marion Turner
Councillor for Planning issues	Marion Turner	Proposed by Steve Treadwell Seconded by Barbara Rayner
Councillor for Transport issues	Bill Spence	Proposed by Eliza Lewis Seconded by Marion Turner
Village Hall liaison	Eliza Lewis	Proposed by Andy England Seconded by Bill Spence
Communications	Steve Treadwell	Proposed by Bill Spence Seconded by Marion Turner

### **Statement of Accounts**

The financial accounts for the year ending 31 March 2014 were presented and signed. The council had an excess income of £1,032.58 for the year.

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

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

### **Financial matters**

The clerk advised the insurance is due for renewal in June and the annual premium from Allianz has remained at £338.53 for the forthcoming year. The premium was agreed by members of the council and the clerk will action in due course.

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### **Dates of future meetings**

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

7 July 2014  
8 September  
17 November  
12 January 2014  
9 March  
18 May

The venue will remain the Free Church until further notice and the clerk will ensure the venue is booked.

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The clerk will see if the Village Hall can be booked.

The clerk will also produce a schedule to be placed on village noticeboards.

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### **Any other business**

The meeting concluded at approximately 9.10pm.