

**Minutes of the ANNUAL Parish Meeting of the Parish of Walpole held in the Pavilion, Walpole on Tuesday, May 19th 2015 at 7-50pm after the Annual Parish Meeting for Cookley.**

**Present: Cllr. David Cask (Chairman), Cllr. Mike Porter (Vice-Chairman), Cllr. Rob Chase, Cllr. Nick Jarvis, Cllr. Zoé Mair, Cllr. Ian Newton (arrived at 8-05pm), Cllr. John Winter and Cllr. David Whitwood and three parishioners:**

**Reports: County and District Councillors, Police and Local Groups & Organisations.**

The Clerk said that he had County and District Councillor Report and would email it to all the Councillors and any Parishioners who wanted it tomorrow.

The Walpole Allotments Society Report is attached to these Minutes. The report by Cllr. A. Thomas was read by Cllr. A. Mair. There were no questions.

The Cookpole Energy Action Ltd Report is attached to these Minutes. The report by Simon Weeks was read out by Cllr. Z. Mair. There were no questions but it was noted that the next meeting will be on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

The Cookley and Walpole Good Neighbours Report is attached to these Minutes. The report by Pam Neil said that they had organised a bus trip to Southwold with afternoon tea at a café following a visit to Heveningham Hall. She said that they are planning in October to have an entertainer put on a show for one hour.

The George Calver Charity Report is attached to these Minutes. The report by Pam Neil said that the Charity was set up in 1923 by George Calver to help children at Bramfield Primary School. It buys a book or book token for all the children when they leave the school and can pay for all or part of the costs of a school trip.

The Cookley and Walpole Playing Field Trust Report is attached to these Minutes. The report was read by Cllr. Zoe Mair. There were no questions.

The Cookpole Community Council Report is attached to these Minutes. The report was read by Cllr. Zoe Mair. There were no questions.

There were no Police, Footpaths and Tree Reports.

**Apologies for Absence.**

**Cllr. Michael Bygrave, Cllr. Anne Thomas and County and District Councillor Stephen Burroughes**

**Approve Minutes: Annual Parish Meetings on May 19<sup>th</sup> 2014.**

The Minutes were approved.

**Matters arising from Minutes.**

There were no matters arising from these minutes.

**Parish Council Chairman's Annual Report**

The Chair's Report had been circulated and read at the Cookley Annual Parish Meeting.

**Summary of Parish Council Audited Accounts to 31 March 2015.**

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The Clerk said that the outgoing clerk has retained the accounts as they are being internally audited and then will be externally audited. He circulated ten copies of the unaudited accounts.

### **Local Issues:**

A Parishioner asked why the precept had risen by 20% whereas the County and District Councils had not raised their Council Tax at all. There was some discussion on the reasons why.

A Parishioner said that they had a picnic bench that they were willing to donate to the Parish Council. The Councillors willingly accepted the donation and said that they would arrange to collect it.

### **Any other business approved by the chairman and time permitting**

There was no other business.

**The Meeting ended at 9-10pm.**