

## PARISH of STOW BEDON & BRECKLES

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday, 20 May 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in Caston Village Hall.

**Present 9 residents**  
**Julian Gibson (Clerk)**

*In the absence of the Chairman of the Parish Council and the Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council the Meeting elected Dawn Jessett to take the Chair.*

- 1 **Apologies for absence.** Lee Pilkington (Chairman of the Parish Council), Jonathan White (Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council), Phil Cowen (resident and Breckland District Councillor), and one other resident.
- 2 **Minutes.** The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday, 19 May 2018 were **confirmed and signed.**
- 3 **Matters arising.** None.
- 4 **Report of the Chairman of the Parish Council.** In the absence of the Chairman of the Council the Meeting Chairman gave a report on the activities of the Parish Council for the year ending 31 March 2019. She thanked Andrew Haywood, who had resigned from the Council, and welcomed Hannah Reed who was co-opted to fill the casual vacancy. She said that at the recent elections all the existing Councillors had been re-elected unopposed, save John Morfoot, who had intended to stand but failed to get his nomination forms in to Breckland. The Council would be able to fill the resultant vacancy by co-option. She mentioned the very successful Royal Wedding Party, for which the Council had provided a grant towards the hire of a portaloos, the laptop which the Council had purchased so that the data from the SAM2 device could be downloaded and used, and the Litter Pick where despite the poor weather a good number of residents had turned out and collected in excess of 20 bags of rubbish.
- 5 **Report of the County Councillor.** Norfolk County Councillor Fabian Eagle said he was pleased to have been able to support the Royal Wedding Party by also providing a grant towards the cost of the portaloos. He also provided a written report which was available for all to read.
- 6 **Report of the District Councillor.** Norfolk County Councillor Phil Cowen was not able to be present, but had made a detailed report of the activities of his council available.
- 7 **Stow Bedon PCC.** Church Warden Beryl Warren gave a report the past year, which saw nine main services in the newly reordered church. Services included a united Easter Day celebration led by the Bishop of Lynn, a Remembrance Day service where children from the village gave a reading about each of those named on the memorials of Stow Bedon & Breckles, and in June a Family service attended by a 100 year-old descendant of former Rector, Hymer Redgrave.
- 8 **Breckles PCC.** Church Warden Karen Allen was not able to be present, but had made a written report on activities at St Margaret's available to the Meeting. This advised that the church had eight united services during 2018, although normally only one Breckles resident attended. However seven residents clean the church, together with three from outside the ecclesiastical parish.
- 9 **Stow Bedon Fuel Allotment.** Phil Childs, Chairman of the Trustees of the Charity gave a verbal annual report. In response to requests he offered to arrange a visit to the Allotment for interested residents.
- 10 **Stow Bedon Village Hall Fund.** The Chairman presented the Charity's Annual Report, which will be available on the Parish Council website.
- 11 **Any other business.** None

**Confirmed:**

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**Jonathan White, Chairman**

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