

Llanfair Waterdine Parish Council.

MINUTES of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on 19TH 2009 at 7.00PM at EVEREST HALL.

Present: 14 parishioners: Robert Taylor; Marilyn Tippett; Jim Williams; Jocelyn Williams; Gordon Singleton; Raymond Matthews; Robert Davies; Iorwerth Waters; Barry Swancott; and three others.

APM.09/01 Apologies: Nigel Hartin; Michael Reynolds; Wyn George; Anne Louchlan; Alan Henchoz.

APM.09/02 Minutes of the 2008 Annual Parish Meeting: Anne Singleton read the minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2008. The minutes were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman Llewellyn Morgan.

APM.09103 Urgent Business: It was announced that Frances Hall and Jackie Williams might be attending this meeting or the Parish Council meeting following, as they were attending the Bettws APM first.

APM.09/04 Annual Report of the Parish Council: Llewellyn Morgan delivered the Annual Report of the Parish Council outlining the activities of the council over the last year. He drew attention to the demise of South Shropshire District Council and hoped that the new Shropshire Council would be good for us. He stated the Council's opposition to the electric pylons along our river valley. The Precept had been frozen again this year, but he warned that with the future increased cost of elections it would need to rise considerably should there be a contest. He thanked his fellow councillors for their hard work during the year and he thanked the Clerk for her efforts.

APM.09/05 District Councillor Report: In the absence of Michael Reynolds the South Shropshire District Councillor, Clerk Anne Singleton explained that South Shropshire District Council had been superseded by the new Unitary Authority Shropshire Council. The Chairman put on record his thanks for all the work and support Michael had given to this council over the years.

APM.09/06 County Councillor Report: In the absence of Nigel Hartin he supplied a written report on the activities of the County Council. He pointed out concerns about the closure of rural schools, and worries about contact points being undermanned at Bishop's Castle. He believes that arts funding is too low.

APM.09/07 Everest Hall: Robert Taylor chairman of the Hall management committee reported on the 40th anniversary activities of Everest Hall during the past year. The anniversary event raised £426 towards the Hunt Porch. Planning permission had been sought and a grant obtained thanks to the efforts of Anne Singleton. Shropshire County Highways had completed the surface water drainage on the road outside the Hall. He thanked previous chairman John Gwilt and retiring secretary Mary Bufton for their hard work and the rest of the committee for their support over the last year.

APM.09/08 Parish Charities: Robert Davies chairman of the charity trustees reported on the activities of the charities over the past year. He reported on the Book Token donations to the children, and the financial donations to the over 70s at Christmas. He also outlined donations to Hope House and to St Mary's Church for grass cutting in the churchyard. He thanked his fellow trustees for their efforts in managing the 50 acres of charity land.

APM.09109 Newsletter: David Tolman reported on the Newsletter and website. Because of rising costs they may have to limit the Newsletter to eight sides rather than ten. He thanked the Parish Council for supplying minutes for publication on the Newsletter website. He and Marilyn Tippet have attended courses on website development and are willing to teach other people. News is always welcome and they hope to hold a social event to raise more funds.

APM.09/10 Any Other Business: David Tolman complained about potholes in the roads. Anne Singleton explained that there is now a reference number scheme for repairs.

APM.09/11 Next meeting: The next Annual Parish meeting will be held about or during the third week of May 2010.

Chairman ...G L Morgan

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