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Minutes of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
Duchy Barn, 7.45pm, Monday, 8th May 2017

1. Introduction of Councillors.

The councillors in attendance gave a brief summary of their roles on the Parish Council (details can be found on the website.)

Present: Cllr Sheila Beeton, Cllr Kevin Taylor, Cllr Chris Clark, Cllr Ann Follows, Cllr Jane Meakin, Cllr Christine Frost, Cllr Jeffrey Herbert.

Clerk Emma Cansdale, Assistant Clerk Brian

Cllr Baker was not present.

2. To agree Minutes of the Parish Assembly held on 25th April 2016

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 25th April 2016 were accepted as a correct record, by those present at the meeting and duly signed by the chair as a correct record.

3. To receive the Report of the Chair of the Council, Cllr. Sheila Beeton*

Cllr Beeton gave her annual report, which is available on the website.

A particular note was made of the current councillor vacancy at Dedham Parish Council, who would welcome applicants

3.1 To receive comments from members of the public regarding matters arising

- None

4. Open Session: Opportunity for members of the public to ask questions and put forward suggestions for the new council year.

- Cllr Jeffrey Herbert commented that before he joined the Parish Council, he hadn't realised how much hard work councillors put in to carry out the role, much of which goes unnoticed.
- Max Wilkinson, editor of the parish magazine, commented that he was very impressed with the new DPC website. It was noted that credit for this went to John Goldsbrough.
- John Goldsbrough commented that on Dedham Vale Voice (Facebook) residents were very vociferous regarding poor parking standards on Mill Lane during the good weather weekends/bank holidays. Concerns were also raised regarding the amount of rubbish that is left on the river bank.
- Speeding was raised as an issue through the village, and a movable VAS was suggested as a possible solution
- Regarding parking issues and speeding, the village appears to get very little back up on enforcement from Police/NEPP and other responsible authorities.
- John Goldsbrough suggested an article advertising the councillor vacancy is placed on Dedham Vale Voice, as well as the website and noticeboards.

5. Chairman's closing remarks.

The chairman thanked councillors and residents for their input, and welcomed further suggestions and comments from residents at any time. She thanked councillors for their hard work through the last year, and looked forward to the tasks and challenges ahead. Dedham Parish Council looks forward to seeing residents at future meetings throughout the year.

Refreshments.

* Copies on website and will be available at meeting