

DOULTING PARISH

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10th MAY 2016

VENUE AND TIME OF THE MEETING: DOULTING VILLAGE HALL, DOULTING @ 7.00pm

	<p><i>Present:</i> Paula Fidge (Chair), Ann Crowcombe, Barry Clarke, Sarah Goff, Ros Wilkins, John Shepherd; 11 members of the public were present. The minutes were taken by Alan Butcher (Parish Clerk)</p>	
1	<p><i>Chairmans welcome.</i> The chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.</p>	
2	<p><i>Apologies for absence.</i> None received.</p>	
3	<p><i>Acceptance of the Minutes of the previous meeting:</i> Minutes of the meeting held on 21st May 2015 were read by the clerk and agreed and signed as a true record.</p>	
4	<p><i>Matters Arising from the Minutes of the meeting:</i></p> <p>There had been no progress on the suggestion of some type of electronic forum or email list for the circulation of parish information made during the meeting.</p>	
5	<p><i>Chairmans Report:</i></p> <p>Cllr Fidge reported that the council had worked hard during the year dealing with planning applications relating to all areas of the parish along with highways, traffic, speeding and many other matters of concern.</p> <p>She welcomed representatives from Cranmore and Evercreech PC's and hoped for continuing co-operation between Doultong, Cranmore and Evercreech on matters of mutual interest.</p> <p>She noted that councillors worked hard and represented the many and varied views of parishioners from all parts of the parish and that, occasionally, differing views resulted in a split voting situation and even a casting vote to resolve the impasse. In such circumstances the decision thus made becomes a binding on the whole council.</p>	

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	<p>She thanked our district councillor David van Dyk for his continued input into the parish and also the school, village hall and Prestleigh Inn for allowing the council to meet on their premises. She also thanked Mary Newman, Tony Blaker, the Glebeland Committee, all her fellow councillors, the clerk and the wider community for their continuing support and finally all those who had come along to tonight's meeting.</p>	
6	<p><u>District and County Council Reports:</u> Cllr van Dyk indicated that he would present his report to the following Parish Council meeting.</p>	
7	<p><u>Other reports as received.</u> None received.</p>	
8	<p><u>Meeting open to the public and parishioners.</u> Mary Newman commented on the closure of the library and its proposed move to the Shape Offices. She felt that the public and especially children would find the proposed location un-attractive and would not use the facility. This was re-iterated by Cllr Goff. It was noted that a window was missing from the phone box and a suggestion made that the box could be used to house a defibrillator. It was noted that the Parish Council paid annually to maintain a working telephone in the box. Tony Blaker noted the presence of visitors from Cranmore and Evercreech and hoped the Parish Council would respond by sending representative to the other council meetings. The representative from Evercreech noted the demise of the liaison meetings held with the Bath and West and suggested that these were not considered as important by the B&W. It was hoped that the meetings could be re-instated.</p>	

The meeting closed at 7.28pm.

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