

FORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of AGM Held 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday 5th May 2021

via Zoom

PRESENT: Cllrs: E DeQuincey (Chair), D Toon (Vice Chair) D Carver (RFO),

S Spencer, S Tomkinson, P Hammond.

Borough Cllr P Farrington.

C Little (Clerk).

1. Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Smith sent apologies as he was already attending a parish council meeting at High Offley. Cllr Bayton sent apologies as she had a work related commitment. Apologies were accepted. Cllr Winnington did not attend the meeting.

2. Minutes of AGM 8 May 2020:

Minutes accepted by councillors as a true record. To be signed electronically by the Chairman.

3. Current Chairman's Report:

The Chairman stated that it had been an exceptionally busy year in the parish. Eight meetings had been held via Zoom.

He shared some highlights:

- In May 2020 the lane through Meretown had been resurfaced.
- There had been issues with flooding and run off in Sutton.
- We held a meeting about glamping planning application in Meretown (Which had a record attendance) which was subsequently refused.
- There was a review of website to make sure it met accessibility requirements.
- Cllr Carver had researched banking solutions – Cllr De Quincey thanked him for the significant time spent.
- A further planning application in Shay Lane – subsequently refused.
- Improvements to A519 but still ongoing issues.
- Before Christmas the parish council successfully registered the Red Lion as Community Asset and currently working with Red Lion Action Group.

The Chair thanked David Carver for his role as Responsible Financial Officer and for his maintenance of the website and the associated compliance of both.

He also thanked the Clerk for her contribution during this busy year and thanked everyone for getting to grips with Zoom.

4. Appointment of Chairman and Declaration of Office:

Appointment of Chairman – In the absence of a volunteer Cllr De Quincey agreed to continue as Chair but advised that this would be the last year that he would be able to offer that level of commitment. Cllr Carver proposed that Cllr De Quincey continue and this was unanimously agreed.

5. Appointment of Vice Chair:

There were no volunteers for the post of Vice Chair – Cllr Spencer was proposed by Cllr Toon and he accepted that he would support the Chair on an ad hoc basis.

6. Appointment of Financial Officer:

Cllr DeQuincey proposed that Cllr Carver continue as Responsible Financial Officer, this was seconded by Cllr Hammond.

The proposal was unanimously agreed.

This office was accepted by Cllr Carver.

7. Appointment of Delegates:

No formal list of delegates was drawn up.

It was agreed that an ad hoc approach would be taken as situations arise.

8. Time for Public Participation: No public present.

No members of the public joined the meeting.

Date of next AGM: Wednesday 11th May 2022, Forton Parish Rooms

9. Meeting dates for the next year:

21st July 2021;

17th November 2021;

9th March 2022

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 7:13pm