



Minutes of the ANNUAL ASSEMBLY of the PARISH MEETING for FARNDON PARISH held at the Parish Room of the MEMORIAL HALL on Monday 24 March 2014 commencing at 19.00.

Present: Cllr M. Baker (chairing)
Cllr P Gafney
Cllr M Oldham
Cllr Duckmanton (late arrival)

Mrs C Clark, Mrs P Chambers, Mr L Aslin

In Attendance: The Clerk

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 21 March 2013
Copies of the Minutes of the Annual Assembly held on 21 March 2013 were circulated and confirmed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING
None

CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

Chairman Baker paid tribute to Cllrs N Lawson, J Nelson and L Aslin who had resigned in the previous year. He welcomed the two new co-opted members Cllr A Duckmanton and Cllr M Oldham and stated that there were now four vacancies on the Council.

Chairman Baker paid tribute to Sexton/Handyman S Pashley who had left the Council's employ in autumn. He had been replaced by J Parnham in January who had settled in well. He thanked the handyman for his work. He thanked the Clerk for her role in the dedication of the Playing Fields and Farndon Ponds as Queen Elizabeth II fields and the successful funding bid for new play equipment. He informed those present that there would be a dedication ceremony on 30 March.

He continued to thank the Memorial Hall committee and their caretaker. Finally he thanked County Councillor Sue Saddington and District Councillors Declan Logue and Ivor Walker for their support over the previous 12 months.

FARNDON RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY REPORT

Mr Aslin presented the accounts for Farndon Relief in Need Charity for the year ending 31 March 2013. Receipts had amounted to £1,846.50. £1,320 were made in payments £840 of which were distributions. He reported that the



charities had given grants to voluntary organisations in the village and had given a grant to St Peter's school for leaving presents to pupils.

Mr Aslin invited all present to get in touch with the charity if they knew of anyone in need of assistance.

He reported that the charity's trustees currently consisted of Gwen Palmer who replaced Keith Helliwell, Christine Clark, Mick Baker, Reverent Milner and himself, Lawrence Aslin. He pointed out that after 45 years of dealing with the charity's accounts and correspondence he was going to retire in 2014

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Mrs Chambers thanked the new Sexton/Handyperson J Parnham for her brilliant work so far. She asked if the "Wild Flower Meadow" behind Sandhill Road was a protected field and if not whether it could be protected in a similar way to the Ponds and Playing Fields. The Clerk said she would look into a Fields in Trust protection. Chairman Baker stated he would speak to the solicitor's about adding a covenant to the field's deeds.

The meeting closed at 19.11

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