

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday,
4 May 2021 in the Civic Chamber, Council Offices, Skelmanthorpe**

Members Present: Cllrs K Waites, C Naylor, R Brook, P Flinders, M Blanshard, M Wood, N Gemmell, J Patterson, S Merry, J Cook, E Shaw, H Pink, K Carr, G Turner, N Denby, W Simpson, S Hellewell, L Newton, A Baskeyfield

In Attendance: C Wadsworth (Clerk) & D Wilde (Countryside Officer)

Apologies: No apologies were received. Cllr Slater was absent.

Chairman Cllr Denby welcomed those present to the Annual Parish Meeting and thanked them for their support over the year.

20/001 Minutes of the Last Annual Parish Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that there were no comments on the minutes of the meeting held on 21 May 2019.

20/002 Business Arising from Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** that no business was arising from the previous meeting minutes.

20/003 Annual Report of the Parish Council and Chairman's Report

The Chairman of the Council presented the Annual Report of the Parish Council for the year 2020-21 and the Chair's report. He stated that it had been an 'interesting' year, and spoke of the support the parish council had given to help those in need over the year.

It was **RESOLVED** that the reports be received.

20/004 Reports from District Councillors

Cllr Turner gave a verbal report:

He agreed that it had been an 'interesting' year and spoke about how Kirklees Council had managed to keep services going, as well as supporting vulnerable people, with staff changing roles to assist with Covid related work.

Cllr Simpson gave a verbal report:

He stated that the parish council had done some excellent work in supporting The Denby Dale Centre, the Denby Dale Food Fund, and the partnership work undertaken with other organisations and with Kirklees Council to help those in need over the year.

Thanks were given to both Ward Councillors for their work over the year.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be received

20/005 Reports from Voluntary Organisations with Official Representatives of the Council

Dave Wilde, the Countryside Officer, submitted a written report on last month's activities. He stated that good volunteer figures had been achieved when restrictions had allowed, he spoke about his involvement with the Climate Emergency Group and congratulated St Aidan's School and Birdsedge School for achieving their Green Flag Awards. He also spoke about the on-going work at the Parkgate Project, where over 3,000 trees had been planted.

RESOLVED that the report be received.

No other reports from voluntary organisations with official representatives of the Council were received.

20/006 Further resolutions to consider

No further resolutions were submitted

20/007 Chairman's Closing Remarks

The Chairman thanked everyone present for their attendance, and thanked the Clerk and Countryside Officer for their work throughout the difficult year. The meeting closed at approximately 7.15pm.

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CHAIRMAN