

TEMPLE SOWERBY

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on Tuesday 9th May, 2017 at 7 pm in the Victory Hall.

Present were: Kevin Overs (KO) (Chairman of the Parish Council), Parish Councillors Angela Mathers (AM), Jonathan Richardson (JR), Caryl Varty (CV), Martyn Cannon (MC), Cllr Henry Sawry-Cookson (HSC) (EDC), Caroline Fennell (Clerk) together with five parishioners.

Item 1 – Minutes

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 9th May 2016, were read, signed and adopted.

Item 2 – Chairman’s Report

Kevin Overs gave his report for the year ending 31st March 2017.

Item 3 – Financial Report

Copies of the summary of the financial report for the year ending 31st March 2017, were distributed to all present at the meeting and for anyone to ask questions. It was highlighted by A Cleasby (outgoing Clerk) that the external audit could not be signed off due to discrepancies causing a significant variance in the accounts. This needs to be explained to the external auditors and as such it was suggested that the accounts to be signed off and adopted at the next meeting.

Item 4 – Meeting open to allow electors to raise or discuss parish matters.

A Cleasby highlighted the requirement for a third trustee for a bequest left by a widower in the village to allow for funds to be given confidentially to a widower in the village or someone in a similar position of need annually. JR put himself forward as a representative of the Parish Council.

Concerns were raised by parishioners regarding condition of the Village Greens following the grass cutting. It was felt that the Village Greens were left looking a mess due to the cut grass being left on the Green. CV confirmed that she had witnessed parishioners raking the grass up themselves. However, it was confirmed by the Parish Council that grass has never been collected by the grass cutters in the past. It was suggested the heavy amount of grass left on the Greens may be due to the length of the grass and it being the start of the grass cutting season. Agreed that this will be monitored as the season progresses.

Concerns raised regarding some large builders dumpy bags that have been in situ for some time on an area of Village Green in front of Ivy Cottage. Agreed that these are an eyesore and need addressing. Clerk to write to occupiers and request removal.

Meeting closed at 7.45pm

Signed Date