

DURLEY PARISH COUNCIL AGM MEETING REPORT

Durley Parish Council held their Parish Council AGM on Tuesday 10th May, 2022 in the Ken Stainer Suite at Durley Memorial Hall. Cllr Delmege (Chairman) chaired the Meeting. Also in attendance were Cllr Watts, Cllr Rappini, Cllr Pitter, Cllr Ellen and the Clerk (Mrs Anne Collins). District Councillor Kurn and 1 parishioner were also in attendance. Apologies were received from County Councillor Humby, District Councillor Mclean, District Councillor Miller, Cllr Rutherford and Cllr Childs.

The first item on the Agenda was the Election of Officers for the forthcoming year, the following were elected:

Chairman – Cllr Delmege
Vice Chairman – Cllr Watts
Hall Management Committee Chairman – Cllr Ellen
Hall Management Committee Vice Chairman – Cllr Pitter
Highways Officer – Cllr Rappini
Footpaths Officer – Cllr Rappini
Recreation Ground Chairman – Cllr Watts
Sawmills Representative – Cllr Rutherford
Transport Representative – Cllr Childs

Councillors also congratulated District Councillor Miller on his re-election.

Cllr Delmege reported that HCC have now been in touch saying that one of the three locations in Durley Street is a possibility to place a Speed Indicator Sign. This location will be looked at in more detail and the existing post will need to be higher.

Cllr Delmege reported on the timetable for the Platinum Jubilee Events and the WW2 Exhibition in Durley. Details will be put on all social media sites and on the village noticeboards. Commemorative mugs will be given to children 11 years and under who live in Durley. Any parents with children of this age should contact the Clerk via durleyparishcouncil@gmail.com to place an order. The mugs will be collected from the Hall on a date and time to be arranged after the Jubilee Weekend.

A plaque has been placed alongside the The Memorial Rowan tree on the Sawmills Green in memory of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh.

DC Kurn gave a District Councillors' Report informing Councillors that DC Miller has been re-elected and then gave an update on enforcement issues.

A resident attending the Meeting asked why the road sweeper has swept along Kytes Lane, Heathen Street, Parsonage Lane, Gregory Lane etc., but not into the Sawmills road. Clerk will follow this up as Councillors could not understand this. Councillors and the Clerk were also given thanks for all their support to residents during the Covid 19 Pandemic. Councillors appreciated this.

Clerk reported that a recent Application for tree and hedging to be planted in Durley from the Woodland Trust was successful. The trees and hedging will arrive in early November ready for planting. It is hoped that volunteers will come forward to help with the planting. If any residents would like to help then please do get in touch with the Clerk on durleyparishcouncil@gmail.com

Cllr Watts gave a Recreation Ground Report. The football matches have now finished for this season and the goal posts have been taken down. Fencing behind the pavilion has been knocked down and this will be investigated. Our Parish Lengthsman will be asked if he could trim around the play and gym equipment now that Peter does not come to Durley to carry out work.

Cllr Rutherford was not present to give a Report, but did circulate details of a rope swing which could be put at The Sawmills. Clerk will find out cost and report to next month's Meeting. Clerk will also ask if the Sawmills Green could be cut at the beginning of the Jubilee Events on the Green.

Cllr Watts gave a Neighbourhood Watch Report saying that vehicle theft and contents of vehicles were the main crimes in the Durley area at the moment. It was also reported that caravans and tree felling equipment have been stolen along the Winchester Road recently.

A Highways Report was given by Cllr Rappini. He said that work is commencing in Church Lane and this will be followed by work in Stapleford Lane and then Durley Brook Road. The pot hole outside of Maxwell House has been repaired, but there is still flooding issues there on occasions.

A Financial Report was given by the Clerk for May, 2022. Clerk reported that the Internal Audit was satisfactory. The Chairman and Clerk signed the Annual Governance Statement for 2021-22 and the Accounting Statement for 2021-22 ready to send off to the External Auditor.

Cllr Ellen gave a Hall Report saying that the 100th Anniversary events are being planned, which include the Flower Show, Bingo Evening and Fish & Chip Supper. Drainage problems were causing problems at the Hall and a camera was put down to try and find out why this is suddenly becoming a problem. It was found that fat had been put down the system. This was cleared.

Durley Parish Plan Update:

Broadband – Cllr Delmege had no further update.

Mobile Phone Signal – Cllr Childs had no further update.

Greening Campaign – Cllr Rutherford had no further update. The Open-Home Event was held on Saturday 7th May. Cllr Pitter reported that 11 people attended and the Event went very well. Cllr Pitter was thanked for hosting the Event.

Flooding Risks – Cllr Rappini leading. Cllr Rappini had no further issues to raise other than the flooding outside of Maxwell House.

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