

## **NITON AND WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD AT THE EDWARD EDWARDS LIBRARY, NITON, ON MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MAY 2017 AT 7:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillor J Boileau Goad (Chairman Niton and Whitwell Parish Council), T Addison, S Biles, M A Innes, A Logan, A E Watts and J C Young, Councillor Dave Stewart (Isle of Wight Council), Mrs V J Ford (Clerk to the Council), three other parishioners and Mr Michael Craig.

**APOLOGIES:** None received

#### **1. WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman welcomed all present to the meeting.

#### **2. MINUTES**

Those present had before them the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

**RESOLVED:** that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016 be confirmed and signed as an accurate record of the proceedings.

#### **3. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

#### **4. ANNUAL REPORT**

Those present had before them a copy of the Annual Report on the activities of the Council for 2016/17 (see copy attached).

**RESOLVED:** that the Annual Report of the Council be received and noted.

The Chairman thanked the Clerk for her work on the report.

#### **5. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Those present had before them a copy of the internally audited accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

**RESOLVED:** that the Annual Accounts be received and noted.

#### **6. LOCAL MEMBER'S REPORT ON THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL**

Those present had before them a copy of Councillor Stewart's annual report.

**RESOLVED:** that Councillor Stewart's report be received and noted.

Councillor Stewart thanked everyone concerned with his recent re-election to the Isle of Wight Council and stated that he intended to represent everybody within the Ward. The focus of

the Isle of Wight Council would be: the budget; improving the infrastructure of the Island; review of the planning strategy; community safety; the environment; education. Local issues identified included Niton Football Club new facilities and the recent Chatfeild Road planning application.

Those present thanked Councillor Stewart for taking time to attend the meeting.

**7. COMMENTS, REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ELECTORS**

- I. Members of the Parish Council were asked why it was taking so long to provide a suitable play area for Whitwell children. The Clerk explained that a number of unsuccessful attempts had been made to acquire a suitable area of land. However, a possible new opportunity had recently been identified.
- II. Enquiries were made regarding the use of land behind Greenlydd Close, Niton. The Chairman requested that the landowner be asked to contact the Parish Council with regard to the matter.
- III. Members of the Parish Council were asked if the thermal requirements for rented property, coming into effect from April 2018, would have an effect within the Parish. The Chairman stated that this was worth consideration and would be born in mind by the Parish Council.

**8. PRESENTATION ON FYTBUS COMMUNITY BUS SERVICE**

The Chairman welcomed to the meeting Mr Michael Craig, who gave an informative presentation on the development and operation of FYTbus.

Those present thanked Mr Craig for attending the meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Signed..... Date.....  
(Chairman)