DRINKSTONE VILLAGE AGM

Minutes of the Village AGM held on Monday 12th May 2014 in the Village Hall

Present

Cllrs A. Clarke (Chair), S. Cousins, M. Goldstaub, C. Harbutt, C. Munford, T. Moss, P. Nolan, the Clerk, SCC/MSDC Cllr P. Otton. CPO Annelly Miles and fifteen residents

1 – Apologies for Absence

None

2 – Retiring Chairman's Report 2013/14 – Moira Goldstaub

This has been a year for resignation and recruitment. Our excellent Clerk, Sharon, has announced her resignation and will be leaving as soon as a replacement has been found. Councillor Johnson had to resign because of business pressure but happily has been replaced by Councillor Moss. I too, am resigning and have been replaced by Adrian Clarke. Edna Gunnett and Sheila Beswick have resigned from their many years patrolling the Cricket and the Community Speed Watch volunteers are standing down. On the plus side, apart from Councillor Moss there are eleven families willing to volunteer to clear and maintain the "Cheese Wedge" as part of the Cricket, should the consensus of village opinion decide that this is their favoured option.

In June we welcomed our new PCSO Collette Denny. We have been well served in recent years by our Police Community Support Officers. Collette and Annelly Miles attend nearly every council meeting and swiftly respond to any issues raised by the PC or the village. They attended our open gardens event, the Village Hall opening and any other event the village holds. My only complaint is that they failed to "fix" things so that the Parish Council Quiz team could finally beat Thurston; we will have to continue to rely on our wits or lack of them!

September saw our first meeting back in the newly built Village hall. It has proved to be well worth waiting for and we will all benefit from the wonderful range of activities that are now provided at the hall. We feel as if we have always met there and it has quickly merged into the village scene. We were nevertheless very grateful to the Church for extending its hospitality to us over the extended period while the hall was being built. It is very valuable for the various village organisations to work together to provide mutual support in this way.

In the course of the year we have conducted a Housing Needs survey; the Council was very disappointed to discover that the affordable homes, built on the Cherry Tree Rise development, were not allocated entirely to Drinkstone or local people. We invited a team from Mid-Suffolk to address on this and Ian Tippet looked into the matter for us. It appears to have arisen because it was not made a condition of the planning permission and Mid-Suffolk has changed its method of allocating homes. They no longer operate on a points system.

Planning no longer represents the contentious issue it once did since we became a village in the countryside. We have consulted with MSDC and their communities' officer came to address us in the autumn. He assured us that, notwithstanding the publicity in the papers about the Government's relaxing of planning rules, there would be no permission for new development in Drinkstone unless it came under one of the exceptional categories.

Sue Herne of Mid-Suffolk, DC who is in charge of Emergency Planning, has addressed us and, most recently, we have been given an outline of the work of Community First Responders. I am happy to report that Councillor Moss, who only joined us in October, is helping to form our village emergency planning team. There are 23 villages which already have such groups and another 19 are in the process of setting them up so it is good that we as a village are going to be involved as well. There are some Drinkstone villagers considering joining the Community First Responders so that they can extend their area to cover Drinkstone as well as Woolpit Tostock Elmswell and Norton. This will be of great benefit to the village as well as the neighbouring area.

The issue causing debate most recently has been what should be done with the land donated to us last year by Mid-Suffolk which is a small, triangular piece of land at the top of the Cricket behind the Play equipment. It is commonly known as the Cheese Wedge because of its shape. The PC has decided to ballot the village to establish what the majority would like to do with the land. That process is ongoing as we speak and the outcome of the survey should be available for the JUNE meeting.

There have been two site meetings with the rights of way officer, Patrick Scrivens, at the footpath in Cherry Tree Rise because of repeated suggestions from a villager that it was potentially dangerous if skateboarders should use it recklessly and run into traffic at the junction with the Gedding Road. After the meetings it was decided that it was not realistic to put up any kind of barrier or speed bumps, which would stop the skateboarders but not impede disabled access or wheelchair and buggy users. Our ever supportive police team has been involved and they are going to address the Youth Clubs about safety issues of all kinds.

Footpaths continue to generate concern and complaint; I will leave the details of the various issues to Councillor Munford our footpath warden. What I would say is that the council is grateful that the paths continue to be cut by the Local Authority but we remain anxious that this could cease to be the case, as financial cuts continue to be made to council services. This could present the council with heavy expenditure in future years; we are already paying for emptying dog bins and the grass cutting on the cricket. Neighbouring Norfolk has ceased to pay for footpath maintenance so it is not beyond the realms of possibility that Suffolk will follow eventually.

As I said at the beginning it is a time of change. Our Clerk is leaving, I have been chairman of three Parish Councils and she is the best Clerk that I have had the pleasure to serve with. She and I leave the council in good heart; we have strong, capable members having longstanding association with and knowledge of the village. By their commitment to the council they illustrate their willingness to look after our village. The activities undertaken in the past year and the new groups being set up show that they are taking the work of the council forward always for the benefit of the village. I assure you that being a parish councillor takes up a lot of time and is unrewarded and unsung. Please remember to support and thank the councillors and volunteers who opt to serve the village for the love of the village, not for personal gain. Having done many years I can assure you that there is no gain or glory and very frequent, often quite fierce attacks. We are losing long-term volunteers at the Cricket and at Community Speed watch. If no one else comes forward the amenity of the village will suffer. Too many brickbats thrown at those who give up their time could result in there being no PC at all. It took 6 months and some effort to replace Councillor Johnson; no one has come forward to replace our Clerk although her post has been advertised since March. If people give up time to

work for the community at least give them the benefit of the doubt. You don't have to agree with everything that is decided but you can express dissent constructively and politely. I will miss the Parish Council but it is time to move on. My youngest is going to university and I will be working more, out of the village and also spending more time with the grandchildren. It has been an honour to serve Drinkstone and also mostly a pleasure.

3 – Cllr Penny Otton's Reports from District and County Councils 2013/14 Suffolk County Council

Highways – Both the County Council and Mid Suffolk have rejected plans for a toll road on the A14. Cllr Otton feels that the funding should be spent on urgently upgrading the existing road as it is a major Euro route.

A working party has come up with suggestions to implement mandatory 20 mph signs in certain locations and each site will be carefully assessed.

Most of the Highways work is now carried out by Kier May Guerney – this has led to some delays in getting work done.

Despite the high rainfall and bad weather of the winter the Council kept the highways open and Cllr Otton has asked that the roads are swept to keep the drains and gullies free of debris.

Budgets – The County Council took the £2.9 million grant from Central Government and managed to achieve a zero increase to Council Tax. Some services have been cut to make essential savings. Cllr Otton has used some of her Locality Budget on improvements to the village hall.

Schools and Young People – The Explore travel card has been reinstated which is particularly useful to young people living in rural areas. The Council has agreed to fund several apprenticeships across the County.

From September Beyton Middle School will transform into the new Sixth Form Centre and all the children from 11 to 16 will go to Thurston.

The latest OFSTED report was severely critical of Suffolk schools this has led to a review of how the service is delivered.

Mid Suffolk District Council

Planning – The work on the Cherry Tree site is nearing completion; the 106 development money from the project went towards the funding for the new village hall.

Cllr Otton has asked the Council to consider planning policies for wind turbine and solar farm applications.

Housing – The Council has agreed to phase in solar panels on all its Council houses.

A new advice service has been set up for older people with housing issues.

There have been just eight claims against the "bedroom tax"; which is based on the numbers of occupants and bedrooms. Five of these claims were upheld and three were dismissed.

The Council has agreed to implement a buy-back scheme which will put former Council properties back onto the housing list.

Finance – The Council has agreed to reduce the Council Tax Support Grant to parishes by 25% over the next four years.

The Council is now able to use Government funding to held people with mortgage difficulties.

The Council has employed 12 new apprentices and 2 interns across the departments as part of its commitment to help young people into work.

4 – Police Report – Community Police Officer Annelly Miles

Over the last year recorded crime in the village has dropped. There were eight recorded crimes from 31st March 2013 to 1st April 2014. These break down to:-

- 1 burglary
- 1 attempted burglary
- 1 drunk and disorderly
- 1 theft from vehicle
- 2 other thefts
- 1 miscellaneous

The total number of crimes across the Mid Suffolk South Team was down to 868 – which is a 13% drop to the previous year. Across the whole County crime figures were down to 33,368 – which is a 7.2% reduction on the previous year.

A new sergeant has taken over the community team – his name is Kieron Pederick. The team continue to hold regular meetings to set targets and invite members of the public to bring issues to their attention.

5 – Open Forum

- A resident referred to the Chairman's comments in the earlier meeting and said he felt that the Parish Council should be seen to support local businesses. The Chairman replied that all options would be considered before any decision to purchase equipment is made.
- A resident reported that Gipping Homes appear to be piling top soil against the fences of the
 Gedding Road residents in order to level off the gardens in Cherry Tree Rise. A report will be
 sent to Mid Suffolk and ask them to investigate.

 Action: Clerk
- A resident expressed a vote of thanks for the Parish Council. He said he reads the minutes every
 month and felt that the Council were overall doing a very good job; conducting their business
 very fairly. They have had some difficult and thorny issues to deal with. The Chairman thanked
 the resident for his comments.

6 – Finance Report – Cllr Sue Cousins 2013 – 2014

The Budget, the estimated amount the Parish Council requires to carry out its work during the forthcoming Financial Year, was £3,310. This figure had just been agreed when we were made aware that the Government had changed the way it paid Council Tax Benefits by spreading benefits themselves between County, District and Police instead of funding District Councils for them to distribute as they felt fit.

The Councillors agreed to set the Precept at £3,042 and accept the Council Tax Support Grant of £268. (This of course made things difficult for fixing the Precept 2014 - 2015 because we were starting from the lower level of £3,042, not £3,310, and being threatened by Mr Pickles that an Election would be called if the figure increased over 2%)

Taking out the Allotment figure we started April 2013 with £3,940 + £29 VAT owing, total £3,969 deposited with 'Santander'

The cost of the 'Community Action Suffolk' Survey was £191 ex V.A.T.

As a result of the house building the Playing Field became overrun with rabbits resulting in dangerous holes. Volunteers filled these with topsoil costing £20, but unfortunately this was not successful. A Pest Controller was employed to gas the rabbits in their burrows, this cost £120. Other than these three expenses all other expenditure had been budgeted for.

£33 was saved on the Clerk's Stationery and Postage showing just how much emails are saving us. £62 had been added for any increase in charges or number of cuts the Playing Field required during the summer season, this extra was not required.

£200 was budgeted, but not spent, on Village Maintenance.

£150 was budgeted for a new Councillor to attend one of the many Courses run by SALC, Suffolk Association of Local Councils, but this was not taken up.

Up to £50 was saved by not updating with any of SALC's Publications. (This will not be the case when I maybe report to you next year.)

£48 was saved on Budget figures for hiring either the Church or Village Hall in case extra Parish Council Meetings or Public Meetings had to be called.

The total of these seven savings amounted to £493, the difference between the years's opening and closing balances was £538, only £48 between the two.

In October 2013 the Parish Council approved expenditure of £250 for an Automatic Water feed System at the Gedding Road Allotment Site so that savings could be made on the water bills from 2014 onwards.

I am delighted to report that Adrian has purchased, this month, hopefully all the necessary pipes, elbows etc. etc. for the knock down price of £129 less VAT of £21.50 to £107.48 many thanks to Adrian for going out and achieving the best price for us.

To finish I must just comment on the whispers that we have heard about the size of the balance forward we had last month coming into the new Financial Year.

Believe it, or not, it is difficult to speculate 6 months in advance as to our spending requirements because there is so little in the Bank we have nothing to fall back on. My fellow Councillors will tell you that every penny is scrutinised before spent.

We've only £500 more this year than last in the Bank and our Precept <u>plus</u> Council Tax Support Grant is only £12 more, that's not a fortune, is it?

7 – Recreation Ground Report – Clerk

The Annual Playground Inspection was delayed last year. The Playground Inspection Company did not carry out the annual review until September. However, despite being late, the report was good and overall the play equipment is rated as low risk to children's safety. We are told by Mid Suffolk Council that this year the inspections will be carried out before the school holidays.

Weekly inspections have continued to take place by Edna and Sheila. Although, sadly they have now decided after many years to retire and we are currently looking for volunteers to take on the role. On behalf of the Parish Council, the Clerk presented a small token of appreciation to Sheila and Edna for all their hard work.

There have had a number of issues over the year with dog fouling and rabbit scrapes and the PC have acted where necessary. A pest control officer has been employed and various notices have been published reminding dog owners of their responsibilities.

Finally, a small group of families with older children has approached the Council about installing a skate board strip on the playing field. The Council is still giving some thought to this and it will be decided once the future of the "cheese wedge" is resolved.

8 – Allotments - Clerk

Another successful year of growing on the two village allotment sites

The allotments are fully tenanted and there is just one person waiting for a plot on the Gedding Road site.

In December the PC reviewed the allotment rents and agreed that a small price increase was necessary in order to keep pace with the ever increasing water bills. Small plots were increased to £6 and large plots to £12

Cllr Clark has recently supplied equipment to the Gedding Road tenants so that they can install their water tanks on an automatic feed. I understand this work is in progress.

Figures for the allotment account are:
Balance brought forward £554

Income (Rents and Wayleave)	£219
Expenditure	£155
Balance outstanding at 31/3/14	£618

9 – Footpath Wardens Report – Cllr Cora Munford

Cllr Munford reported that once again our 10.5 miles of village footpaths have been well used. Despite the terrible wet winter weather people still managed to get out and enjoy the countryside. The paths are used by dog walkers; ramblers and many other people. Cllr Munford said she thought one of the reasons our paths are so popular is because of the good links and connections to neighbouring villages. She had been delighted to come across a group of young people recently who were using the path as part of an expedition to complete their Duke of Edinburgh Award. A number of signs have been replaced during the year. The Rights of Way continue to cut the majority of paths with easy access twice a year. Cllr Munford reminded those present that the paths are for walkers and not to be ridden on by horses, cycles or skate boards. Cllr Munford said she enjoyed her job as footpath warden and encouraged everyone to keep on walking.

10 – Drinkstone War Memorial Institute – Sue Foulsham

What a difference a year makes and what an amazing year it has been!

When I gave this report at last year's AGM in the Church, the New Hall build was actually completed but we were all very anxiously awaiting the final visit of the Building Inspector, planned for the following day. Thankfully that visit went according to plan, the Hall passed its final big test with flying colours, and there was a huge collective sigh of relief from the members of the committee when towards the end of May, our stunning new building could be formally handed over to us at long last.

We very soon realised that we had rather a special building on our hands! Even though the Hall was not yet open for business, the following few weeks passed in a blur of activity as we completed the long list of tasks necessary to prepare the Hall for everyday use. A range of licenses and other formalities had to be applied for and secured before the Hall could be used for private hire. The kitchen had to be suitably equipped to comply with the food hygiene regulations and tables and chairs, durable enough for community use, had to be sourced, ordered and delivered. Also during this time the village tapestry project, which was masterminded by Margery Ward, was brought to a close, and the panels hung to provide a beautiful and very decorative addition to a stunning main hall.

And so, on Sunday 7th July, almost three years after the fire in the Old Hall, and almost a year to the day from the start of the new build, we were ready to throw open the doors for the Opening Ceremony. Everyone in the Village was invited to attend, together with former village residents and individuals who had played their part in village hall affairs in the past and representatives of organisations from the wider local area who had offered us all kinds of support after the fire. The response to the invitation was staggering and we were delighted that nearly 300 people entered into the spirit of the occasion by bringing their scissors and taking part in the ribbon-cutting ceremony. The afternoon was topped off with lashings of tea and a slice of Edna's delicious celebration cake. The feedback we received, both about the Hall and about the Opening Ceremony itself, was extremely positive and the Committee was highly delighted that so many people came along to ensure that the occasion was such a great success.

The following week we were immediately back to business when Yoga, Tai Chi, Bingo, Art Club and The Local History Group, who had all been forced to move elsewhere after the fire, were able to return home with yet another collective sigh of relief! New regular activities, such as Gardening Club, have since been added to the booking schedule and the hall has also been hired by local professionals on several occasions as a venue for staff training days. The Hall has been used for numerous local private celebrations and children's parties and has also been re-scheduled as the Polling Station for the Village.

The Tuesday Club, our weekly morning drop-in for coffee, has gone from strength and now regularly attracts 20-25 people. This sociable get-together is open to all and offers a warm welcome and a friendly chat over a cup of tea or coffee. It has established itself as a valuable and supportive community network within the village. The Hall has already become well known in the local area as an attractive venue for events to be held and Liz, our Bookings Manager, has been kept extremely busy with numerous enquiries in addition to her other duties as Secretary. We are very grateful to her for the great deal of time and effort that she gives to Hall affairs in all sorts of ways. As the Hall is in such high demand, we are currently in the very fortunate position of being on course to exceed our first year's projected income from bookings.

The enthusiastic Village Hall Committee and Fund-raising Sub Group have continued with their efforts throughout the year and have worked together to organise a series of events which we hope have appealed to a wide range of people . These have included the Fete, the Mince Pie and Mulled Wine Xmas Raffle, the Quiz, the Salvation Army Band Concert, the Gujerati evening and, most recently, this year's highly successful Sale Trail which was thoroughly enjoyed by all and raised in excess of £1000. However we are always open to ideas for further activities and, as always, would be very pleased to welcome new members to join the organising committees.

Thanks to a long campaign by Robin Sharp to raise the funds necessary for its restoration, the unveiling of Pryke Tapestry was held in November and we were privileged to hear Taf Gillingham's poignant stories about the experiences of the soldiers during the First World War. The Rededication and Blessing of the Hall as a War Memorial was held on Remembrance Sunday and we were able to enjoy the music of the Norton Salvation Army Brass Band and their Buglers playing Reveille from the Minstrel's Gallery during the service led by Reverend Ruth. Two very memorable and highly emotional occasions for us all

During the year we have also undertaken a wide range of further tasks which were not included in the actual build contract. Satellite Broadband has been installed throughout the building and the archives office has been fully equipped thanks to donations from various sources. The rear garden has been professionally landscaped and a working party of volunteers has added a new hedge using the plants rescued from the Cricket. The edges of the car park have been seeded, the trees planted and spring bulbs will be added in the autumn. A fence has been built on the southern boundary of the hall and an impressive new 'Village Hall' sign has now been put up at the entrance to the site. We must give very special thanks both to Tony Schmitt and our caretaker Robert Irving, who have worked tirelessly to undertake the wide range of other ongoing jobs necessary to ensure that the building is well maintained. Solar panels have been added and some funds were secured from grants to assist with the finance for the recently installed acoustic panels. I think all regular users will agree that they have made a massive difference to events held in the main hall by absorbing the echo which was proving to be a problem.

An ongoing final snagging list was drawn up and, once all the outstanding niggles had been resolved by the builders earlier in the year, we were able to make our final payment to them. So we

are currently pleased to be able to report that the New Hall build is now fully completed and that the funds raised for the build have all been spent. However our fund raising activities will need to be ongoing, as we have a duty as Hall Trustees and Managers to ensure that we can afford to fully maintain the building for the foreseeable future and finance any further developments which might be deemed necessary.

During the build we have tried to make sure that everyone has been kept fully informed of its progress and that all events being held in the new hall are always well publicised, both locally and as far a-field as possible. This wide-ranging publicity has prompted several other Village Hall Committees in Suffolk to contact us for advice and we have invited them along to see the hall and have been able to offer them our help and advice when requested. We are also providing ongoing advice for a village hall committee near Woodbridge who are in the very early stages of building their new hall. We were highly delighted with the recent article in the May's Suffolk Magazine which featured the Hall and tapestries, the Church, the Mills and the Village in general and also gave the Sale Trail some extra publicity.

For many years a New Hall for the Village had long been talked about, and countless residents both past and present, some of whom have moved out of the Village or who have now sadly passed away, have played their part. The building fund was started many years ago and successive teams of fund raisers have organised numerous events in order to add to boost the funds. In more recent years the people of the Village have continued to show enormous goodwill and support for the project and we thank them for their huge generosity in responding to our appeals for donations. We are also extremely grateful to Penny Otton for all the support she has given us, both financially and in so many other ways; over very many years.

During the last decade we have been very fortunate that a group of highly motivated volunteers have stepped forward to serve on the Village Hall Management Committee. Not only were they enthusiastic and totally committed to the cause, but individually each of them possessed specific expertise and skills which have made a vital contribution to all aspects of the planning process and to the management of the build. The group quickly became a very close knit team, supporting each other through the trials, tribulations, and on occasion, crisis, of the last few years, and our fantastic new building is the proof that their selfless efforts have finally paid off. On behalf of the whole village I would like to offer them all a huge vote of thanks for their hard work and commitment to the cause and also to offer them all my personal thanks for their ongoing friendship and support. If anyone would like to volunteer to join the team, either as part of the Management Committee or the Fund-raising Sub Group, they will be made very welcome.

The Trustees and Management Committee remain highly committed to ensuring that the Hall has a very exciting future, and continues to strengthen and develop the role that it is currently playing at the heart of our beautiful village community. I am sure that all the people of Drinkstone are very proud to have played such a significant part in this fantastic success story.

11 - Village Clubs and Classes - Sheila Beswick

All the clubs and classes have returned to the village hall. Fortunately every group came back – it is a perfect place for all groups both large and small.

This year the Tuesday Club and Photocopier Fund have been handed over to the village hall and this will be the final presentation of accounts for both these items.

The Art Club is back in the new hall and doing amazingly well. There is so much talent in the group which has 20 regular attenders. It now runs as a private hire with fees paid direct to the hall.

The History Group is still fairly small; with about a dozen people attending each meeting. The group held a very successful and moving ceremony for the dedication of the Arthur Pryke memorial embroidery; with Taf Gillingham an authority on the First World War giving a very interesting talk. A number of guests, many of whom had contributed to the restoration traveled a great distance in order to attend. The restorer was also present and was able to explain the restoration process. The group is now preparing to archive all the material collected so that in future access will be available to anyone interested in the history of the village. The group is funded 50% by the Education Trust towards the costs of hall hire.

A few events have been planned to get the Hut Theatre Group up and running again. An enjoyable evening of Christmas poetry and prose was held in December. The Norton Salvation Army band gave a concert in March with proceeds going to the church. In June there are plans to hold a Music Night with Drinkstone residents show casing their talents.

The Youth Club members have happily settled into the new hall and are enjoying all the space and the facilities. The club has begun to replace some of the equipment that was lost in the fire. Junior Club goes from strength to strength with 30 members and there are around 9 seniors. This year they have enjoyed trips to the panto; Bradfield Woods; Bury Bowl; tobogganing at Ipswich Ski Centre and Thorpe Woodlands. They also held a sleep over in the church and a talent show. Both clubs are grateful to the Education Trust for their continued funding of hall hire and insurance.

Balances for the various clubs (including floats) are as follows:-

History Group £ 600.31

Youth Clubs £4039.68 Hut Theatre £2577.66 Slimming Funds £ 33.50

The balances from the Tuesday Club (£196.67) and the Photocopier Fund (£255.46) have been passed to the Treasurer of the village hall.

Finally Sheila announced that after 16 years she is standing down from running the Youth Clubs. She has recruited an energetic group of mums, together with Barry Evans (seniors) who will be able to take the clubs from strength to strength over the next few years.

12 – Village Charities

1. Cambourne Charity – presented by Henry Riches

Once again no grants have been paid out this year and it was agreed that the Clerk would advertise the charity in the Parish Magazine.

Action: Clerk

The balances are as follows:-

Brought forward £1595.62Interest £12.30

Income £ 86.45 (From closing of Perambulation and Widows Charities)

Balance at 31/3/14 £1693.91

2. Wrenn Charity – presented by David Ford

The accounts for the charity have been audited by Lionel Denny of Woolpit.

 Brought forward
 £3047.92

 Income
 £1786.62

 Expenditure
 £1989.00

 Balance at 31/3/14
 £2845.54

Expenditure for the year included subsidizing the senior citizens Christmas lunch. 80 residents attended the lunch in January which this year moved back to the village hall; with Gill Mills providing an excellent three course lunch. Gifts totaling £225 were also purchased and distributed. The Trustees are keen to continue supporting the lunch and will

review the subsidy for the coming year. They also think that the objectives for the charity should be widened to enable support to be given to other village activities. They have consulted the Charity Commission for guidance.

3. Education Trust – presented by David Ford

The accounts for the year ending 31st December 2013 have been checked by Richard Chaplin and formally examined by Robin Jackson at Churchgate Accountants Ltd.

Balance brought forward £1119
Income £2045
Expenditure £1660
Balance at 31/12/13 £1504

The value of the endowment policy has increased to £76,366 against an original investment of £47,371 (from the sale of the school).

Awards for the year included paying hall hire fees for clubs and classes; contribution to fund a teaching diploma; books for university and CRB checks for the youth club.

The charity continues to look to support anyone in the village and regularly publishes application forms in the Parish Magazine.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their excellent reports and there being no other business the meeting closed at 9:24pm