

**MINUTES OF WOOTTON WAWEN ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY  
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL , WOOTTON WAWEN  
ON MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2010**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6.30p.m.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. Bacchus (Chairman), Lawton (Vice Chairman), Holt, Davies Buckley, Emberson, Thirlwell (SDC), Jones (SDC), Perry (WCC), Mrs. V.J. Pratt (Clerk) and members of the public.

**1. APOLOGIES** received from: Canon Lawrence Mortimer and Mr. K. Davies.

**2. MINUTES OF PARISH ASSEMBLY HELD 20.04.09** were read and adopted.

**3. REPORT FROM FLOOD PREVENTION FORUM.** Cllr. George Atkinson assisted by Mr. Nigel Chetwynd (WCC) reported on the work of the Flood Forum composed of county, district and parish councillors, local residents and technical experts. The scheme eventually adopted involved lowering the drive from Alcester Road to the village hall and construction of a culvert from the west side of A3400 to the stream by Pound Cottage and this had been tested by recent heavy rain.

**3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.** (Full report held on file). The Chairman, Cllr. Bacchus, welcomed everyone to the Annual Parish Assembly. He began his report by thanking Cllr. Atkinson for his comprehensive report on the Flood Forum and thanked the district and county councils for support received from them. The Chairman reported on the progress of the Parish Plan and thanked Cllr. Holt and his working party for their hard work in producing the document which has now been adopted by the Parish Council and circulated to every household and business in the village. Saturday morning surgeries have been discontinued due to lack of support shown over the 2 years of their existence. During the year Councillors and the Clerk have attended a number of meetings and courses on your behalf. 29 planning applications of varying complexity have been reviewed. A small reduction has been made in the amount of our precept for the 2010/2011 year. The Chairman closed his report by thanking his fellow Councillors and the Clerk for their enthusiasm and hard work in running the Council.

**4. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR:** (Full report held on file). Cllr. Mike Perry outlined his work as County Councillor for the previous year and reported on financial issues concerning budget reductions over the next 4 years.

**5. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:** (Full reports held on file). Cllr. Stephen Thirlwell reported on his duties as District Councillor and key issues such as Henley & Studley Community Forum and the Parish Plan and spoke of the good performance of SDC in difficult economic times. Cllr. Thirlwell paid tribute to Cllr. Lawrence Marshall who has resigned.

**6. AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS OF WOOTTON WAWEN PARISH COUNCIL FOR YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2009** were inspected.

Their adoption was proposed by Cllr. Holt and seconded by Cllr. Lawton.

**7. CURRENT FINANCIAL POSITION.** As at 19<sup>th</sup> April 2010 Current Account £1180.66 cr. Money Master Account £10,825.78cr.

**8. TO RECEIVE ACCOUNTS OF CHARITIES.** The accounts for the Agar & Herring Aid in Sickness Charity for y/e 31.12.09 were inspected. Their adoption was proposed by Mr. Lawrence and seconded by Mrs. Griffiths. The Seymour Fieldhouse accounts for y/e 31.12.09 were inspected. Their adoption was proposed by Cllr. Holt and seconded by Mrs. Alcock. The Lord Carrington accounts for y/e

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31.12.09 were inspected. Their adoption was proposed by Cllr. Davies and seconded by Mr. Daymond. The Financial Statement for the Wagen Trust for y/e 31.12.09 was

presented. Its adoption was proposed by Mrs. Farr and seconded by Mr. Philipps.

**9. REPORTS BY PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS.** (Full reports are held in Clerk’s file).

**The Allotment and Garden Association.** Mrs. Liz Major reported on the year’s activities including the annual “best kept plot” competition and Open Day. Improvements to the Allotment site have included boundary fencing, bay for green waste recycling and purchase of a new lawnmower.

**Wootton Wawen Village Hall Management Committee.**

Mrs. Booth (Hon.Sec.) reported a satisfactory year with the hall being well maintained and financially secure. The oil tank has been replaced and water damage to the ceilings in main and entrance halls will be made good. The PC was thanked for their continuing financial support.

**The Wagen Trust.** Cllr. Lawton, Secretary/Treasurer reported on changes to the Trustees during the year with John Bacchus retiring and Margaret Bennett joining as new Trustee and manager of the “100 Club” activities. Cllr. Lawton reported on very successful fund raising activities and some generous donations to the Trust. Future activity on the stonework repairs and the potential restoration of Priory Pool was outlined.

**Wootton Wawen WI.** Mrs. Sally Atkinson, Secretary, reported on the activities of the WI which included accounts of meetings held, various outings and a successful coffee morning which raised £800 for the Shakespeare Hospice.

**Wootton Wawen Pre-School.** Mrs. Baker, Principal, reported on the activities on the Pre-School Group during the past year and a gradual improvement in the numbers of children attending.

**Wootton Wawen Church of England Junior School.** Mrs. Gayle Farr, Governor, reported a busy and successful year for the 162 pupils and gave detailed accounts of various activities undertaken including development of the school website, governor’s forum and training sessions, as well as the usual extra curricula activities.

**Youth Club.** Mrs.Sue Griffin reported on a successful year, activities undertaken and a successful Christmas Fayre. The Parish Council was thanked for their financial support.

**Wootton Wawen Footpaths Group.** Mr. Denis Keyte, Hon. Sec., reported on 13 organised walks undertaken during the year, the reduced sales of Six West Warwickshire Walks booklets and matters concerning local footpaths.

**The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.12p.m.**

**READ, CONFIRMED AND SIGNED THIS .....**

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**CHAIRMAN.**