

Edgmond Parish Council

MINUTES of the Annual General Meeting of Edgmond Parish Council which took place in Edgmond Village Hall on Monday 9th May 2016 at 7.00p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors: R Higginson
G Jones
Mrs P Hughes
L Bowers
K Humphreys
M Hughes
Mrs P Doherty
Mrs M Barton
D Ryan
R Marriott
Mrs C Edwards

In Attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk
4 Members of the public

16/1107 WELCOME

Councillor Jones opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. He extended his thanks to all Councillors and the Clerk for their help and support throughout the past year. Councillor Stephen Bentley had registered his apologies, as he is attending a TWC meeting, but hopes to attend later in the evening.

16/1108 DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

All Members read and signed their Declarations of Acceptance of Office. Members were reminded of the need to confirm the details within their Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests. These are a public document and copies are sent to TWC for inclusion on the website as part of the Freedom of Information Regulations. They will also appear on our website as part of the Transparency Code requirements.

16/1109 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs P Hughes and seconded by Councillor L Bowers that Councillor R Higginson be elected as Chairman for 2016/17.. There were no other nominations. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Robert Higginson be Chairman for 2016/2017.

Councillor Higginson thanked Members for their support and confidence.

16/1110 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillor Higginson read and signed the Declaration which was confirmed by the Clerk. A copy will be kept in the Public Register and a copy sent to the Monitoring Officer at Telford & Wrekin Council.

Councillor Higginson extended very grateful thanks to Councillor Jones for his many years of dedicated service to the Parish Council and the people of Edgmond Parish.

16/1111 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Doherty and seconded by Councillor R Higginson that Councillor Gwyn Jones be elected as Vice Chairman for 2016/2017. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Gwyn Jones be Vice Chairman for 2016/2017.

16/1112 DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

Councillor Jones read and signed the Declaration which was confirmed by the Clerk. A copy will be kept in the Public Register and a copy sent to the Monitoring Officer at Telford & Wrekin Council.

16/1113 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD IN 2015

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Hughes and seconded by Councillor Jones, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting be accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

16/1114 COMMITTEES

Members gave consideration to the Committees and then the membership of each of the Committees.

- Highways, Transport, Road Safety & Street Lighting
- Environment and Rights of Way
- Planning and Development
- Communication
- Complaints and Appeals

The membership for Committees was proposed by Councillor R Marriott, seconded by Councillor Mrs Hughes and all were in favour.

A full list of Membership to Committees will be included in the Minute Book and will be published on the Website.

16/1115 OUTSIDE BODIES

A full list of Members on outside bodies and organisations was confirmed and will be included in the Minute Book and published on the website.

16/1116 STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Updated copies of the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations had been circulated to all Members. They were proposed by Councillor G Jones and seconded by Councillor L Bowers, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the 2016 version of the Standing Orders and Regulations be adopted.

16/1117 REMUNERATION SCHEME

It was confirmed that no Members of Edgmond Parish Council had received remuneration in 2015/16. However, it was proposed by Cllr Mrs P Hughes and seconded by Cllr L Bowers that no remuneration was to be available for Members in 2016/17.

16/1118 CONFIRMATION OF BANKERS AND AUDITORS

It was confirmed that Edgmond Parish Council would continue to bank with Yorkshire Bank. Mazarrs LLP are the External Auditors appointed by the Audit Commission and Miss R David is the Internal Auditor. It was further agreed that the Parish Council would not opt out of the Audit Regime and that SAAAT would undertake the audit in future. Councillor Doherty agreed to become a cheque signatory alongside Councillors G Jones, R Higginson and M Hughes. Any two, from four, Councillors will be required to sign cheques. We are still awaiting the forms to add an additional signatory.

16/1119 SUBSCRIPTIONS

It was confirmed that Edgmond Parish Council would fund the part payment of the Clerk's subscription to SLCC. Edgmond Parish Council wishes to consider joining SALC. Further information of the support that is available will be requested. This will be added to a future agenda for further discussion.

16/1120 MEETING SCHEDULE

Members gave consideration to a draft meeting schedule that had been circulated. It was proposed by Councillor Jones and seconded by Councillor Mrs P Hughes, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the meeting schedule be adopted.

The meeting closed at 7.34pm

SignedDate