

MINUTES OF KILBURN ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2021 AT 7PM VIA ZOOM

Present: Cllrs D Hall, P Rowley, K McDonald, D Earnshaw , D Beadell, C Riley, T Bailey, S Matthews (Clerk), Resident K Parker

1. **Apologies**, K Buttery, E Hetherington, B Lambert, T Ainsworth (DCC/AVBC Councillor),

2. **Minutes of previous Annual Parish Meeting**

Due to the Covid pandemic this was not held in 2020.

3. **Chairman's Report**

The year started with the beginning of the pandemic. We were not able to hold our Annual Parish Meeting as we were not allowed to meet 'face to face', however, the Chairman's report for the year 2020 was put on the Parish Council website. Over April and May 2020 the Council had a huge learning curve whilst it adapted to meetings via 'zoom'. A couple of Members were not able to adapt to this technology, but they have kept in touch and have made their comments known to issues which have arisen.

I would like to thank our Clerk and the vice Chair for their help and guidance to the Chair and the Council over the last year.

I would like to thank all the Councillor's for their support and duties over the past year.

Cllr P Rowley for supervising the parish warden.

Cllr D Earnshaw for his work with the KCA.

Cllr D Beadell for the work on Defibrillator Cabinets, NewsLetter and website – he has also taken on duties as a snow warden.

Cllr E Hetherington for his work on the Footpaths.

Cllr D Earnshaw and Wood Lane Garage for sponsoring the repair of the benches.

Cllr C Riley and the working party on the nature reserve.

The Cllrs on the planning subcommittee and finance committee.

Thanks to the County Councillor Trevor Ainsworth for attending meetings and reporting on zoom.

We have welcomed 2 new Members onto the Parish Council, Cllr Kevin McDonald (recently returned following his house move) and Cllr Tracey Bailey. Both Members have already made a positive impact to the Parish Council and my thanks go to them.

Following the resignation of Cllr Matthew Rowe – there is currently a vacancy which it is hoped will be filled in the not too distant future.

Thanks to Amber Valley Borough Councillor Trevor Ainsworth for attending (via zoom) and reporting and taking matters back to Borough & County Council's

Finally, thanks to the parish warden for tidying up the mess around the village and keeping it clean.

Successes

The Parish Council continues to fund "poop" bags. However, some dog owners are abusing the supply of these bags by taking so many at one time leaving none for other dog owners.

Following a bid by the Parish Council to Derbyshire Environmental Trust it has been successful in obtaining a grant for £15000 towards the upgrading of the nature reserve at Rawson Green. The fundamentals of this work are to make the nature reserve more accessible for anybody from within the village or surrounding areas.

The Council has recently funded and received a tree survey which has identified the work required on the trees. Langley Landscaping Services will commence work in April

The road safety signs designed by the school children have been put up around the village. These signs have already had an impact on reminding drivers of the speed limits around the village. Some of the signs have recently been removed and currently investigations are taking place as to how these have been removed and arrangements will be made for them to be replaced.

The Council again organised the erection of hanging baskets on the lampposts and filling up the ground planters around the village.

The refurbishment of the War Memorial is now complete.

Some Members and residents have undertaken litter picking over the past few weeks which is greatly appreciated. A community litter pick is to be held on Saturday 26th June when it is hoped Covid regulations will allow.

Events

Due to the pandemic and Government restrictions neither the Garden Competition or the Carol Service were able to take place.

For Remembrance Day – there was no service, however Members of the Council and a number of dignitaries laid wreaths whilst observing Government guidelines and social distancing.

4. Accounts

The Clerk presented the audited accounts for the year ending 31 March 2020 and the unaudited accounts for the year ending 31 March 2021.

A budget for the year 2021/22 had been set in the sum of £73704 with a Precept of £52194 with the shortfall being met from reserves.

5. AOB

None