

Draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting
held on Thursday 18th April 2019
in Kettleburgh Village Hall

Present: Cllr T Jessop (Chair), the Parish Clerk and 14 members of the public.

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting which began at 7:30pm.

2. **Apologies for Absence:** Apologies from Jackie and Bill Clark, Angus Wheeler-Rowe, and SCC Cllr Robin Vickery were noted.

3. **Minutes** of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 26th April 2018 were approved and signed.

4. Reports

The Chair introduced himself and explained that the meeting is a meeting for residents of the parish (and not a parish council meeting) which is customarily chaired by the parish council Chair.

a) **Suffolk County Council**

The Chair read a report from Cllr Robin Vickery which will be filed with these minutes.

b) **Suffolk Coastal District Council**

No response to invitations had been received.

c) **Village Hall**

Village Hall Committee Chairman Graham Mooney read his report to the meeting, adding thanks to Cllr Robin Vickery who had given one of the grants funding the toilet works. It will be filed with these minutes.

d) **Kettleburgh Green Trust**

KGT Trustee Heidi Finbow said that the Green is doing well. Norse are doing good work but the KGT have increased the frequency of cuts. The KGT have also employed a local odd job man on small jobs around the Green. Minimal fundraising has taken place as the trustees have been too busy and funds are sufficient, but please use Easy Fundraising to support the Green.

e) **Parochial Church Council**

Church Warden John Bater said that the current alterations were completed, they were hoping to open the North Door which has not been opening for over 100 years, and they were hoping to provide proper doors for the porch front replacing the current framed netting. There are 2 services each month at St Andrews: 11am on the second Sunday; and 6pm on the fourth Sunday. The Parish Council are continuing to grant the cost of churchyard maintenance and Norse are doing a good job there too. A third of the churchyard is left uncut for wildlife.

f) **Village Produce Association**

Claire Norman read a report which will be filed with these minutes.

Chair's initial: _____

g) Kettleburgh Town Estate Charity

Trustee John Bater said that the charity is currently set up to provide first year students with books but this remit is being reviewed to include other young person's with development support needs. The charity now has 5 trustees but has received no applications for support for a couple of years. The charity gets income from an investment coming to around £80/year.

h) Kettleburgh Cribbage Team

Team member Martin Sims read a report to the meeting, which will be filed with these minutes.

Questions:

1) Could there be a Cribbage Have-a-go event at the Fete?

Answer: Possibly.

i) Kettleburgh Craft Club

Organiser Angela Wright explained that the group is a non-profit friendly community group from Kettleburgh and the surrounding villages, meeting once a month to enjoy crafts together. It's nice to share ideas and they do all sorts of crafts. The group reaches its third birthday next month.

j) Kettleburgh Bellringers

Ringer Ruth Darton said that Persephone Booth is the Tower Captain. Numbers are low and there is no regular practice, but the ringers do try to ring the bells for each morning service at St Andrews. They participated in the national Centenary Armistice Day ringing last year, ringing half-muffled at Brandeston before the Service of Remembrance, and unmuffled at Kettleburgh at 12.30 pm to mark the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice. In the evening they rang the bells unmuffled at Easton in celebration of the Peace. They are looking for more ringers and training is available at other local towers.

k) Parish Council Chair

Cllr Jessop gave his report, which will be filed with these minutes.

5. Question Time:

1) As there are a few organisations within the parish looking for new members, could there be a general recruitment stand at the Fete, with pictures and representatives of all the activities seeking support?

Answer: This seemed a good idea which will be passed to the Fete organisers.

2) Cllr Finbow said, as there are vacancies on the parish council to be filled, that being a parish councillor is not as onerous as it may sound, with only four meetings a year and not much more to do beyond that.

3) Cllr Duckham thanked outgoing parish council Chair Trevor Jessop for the vast amount of work he put in to the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan consultations last year and this.

6. Close Meeting: The meeting closed at 8:05pm

Chair's signature to indicate Council approval: _____

Chair's initial: _____

Dated: _____

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