

GRIMSTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
Grimston Village Hall - Monday 13 May 2019 at 7.00pm

Present:

Parish Council - Cllr Israel (Chairman), Johnson, Coleman, Coe, Fraser and Willis.
Borough Council – Cllr C Manning
Parish Clerk – Mrs P Sewell
16 Members of the Public

Apologies: Cllrs Packer, de Whalley

1. Apologies and Welcome

Cllr K Israel, Chairman of the Parish Council opened the meeting. The Chairman paid tribute to all the volunteers in the parish who did so much to provide facilities and activities for residents. The Chairman also welcomed all those who had been elected to serve at Borough and Parish level. He thanked former Borough Councillor Sue Fraser for her sterling work in support of Grimston and Pott Row, as well as former Parish Councillors Moore, Rudd and Smith who had stepped down. The forthcoming year the parish should see the erection of a new bus shelter as well as the conversion of the BT phone box to host a defibrillator. The Chairman also made special mention of the magnificent effort made by so many to mark the WW1 Centenary in 2018.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved to approve the minutes of 14 May 2018

3. Matters arising from the previous meeting

Grimston & Fen Allotment Trust: At the previous meeting, an explanation was requested as to why the reserves were high. The response provided was that the Trust held in the reserves a pledge of money for the proposed Community Centre on Hudson Fen, funds to purchase further allotment land and the duty of care to maintain 250 acres given the uncertainty of the Stewardship Fund.

4. Grimston Parish Council Accounts

The Report was given by the Parish Clerk

Receipts - £32 660. Payments-£28 167. Closing Balance- £44 188.

Meeting resolved to accept the report

5. Grimston Fen & Allotment Trust Accounts

The Report was given by the Parish Clerk on behalf of the Trust.

Receipts-£15 415.24 Payments-£20 464.65 Closing Balance-£65 143.96

Meeting resolved to accept the report

6. Village Hall Committee Accounts

The Report was given by Cllr K Israel on behalf of the Committee

Receipts- £9 241 Payments- £5 187 Closing Balance £23 077

Meeting resolved to accept the report

7. School Trust Accounts

The Report was given by Mr R Coe – Trust Chairman

The Accounts for both 2017 and 2018 were presented. Financial statement 31.12.2018 read:

Receipts £14 868.59 Payments £4 589.62 Closing Balance £14 494.00

The Chairman Mr Coe reported that the current closing balance was much higher than usual as overdue rent had just been paid.

Meeting resolved to accept the report

8. Hudson Fen Leisure Ltd Accounts

The Report was given by Mr K Kavanagh – Charity Chairman

Receipts- £3 334.78 Payments- £2 754.59 Closing Balance: £14 193.18

Meeting resolved to accept the report

9. Neighbourhood Plan Report

The Report was given by the Parish Clerk on behalf of the Group

The Group thanked everyone who responded to the survey earlier in the year, there had been a very good response rate of over 400. The Group would use the responses to shape the neighbourhood plan. It was also the intention to hold an open session to display the results of the analysis in the forthcoming months. To date much of the work had been funded by a government grant, the group would be seeking additional funding to assist with the allocation review.

Meeting resolved to accept the report

10. Holly Meadows Youth Football Club

The Club gave a presentation on the development of the new Club so far and outlined plans to provide more facilities at the school. The Club needed to raise £15,000 which would expand the number of children who could participate, the facilities could also be used by the school.

11. Report from Ward Members

County Councillor - Cllr Simon Eyre was not present, no report was submitted.

Borough Councillor -Cllr C Manning thanked the electorate for their vote, the ward covered 6 Parish Councils so as well as the Borough Council commitments he would not always be able to attend every meeting.

Borough Councillor (Written Report) - Cllr M de Whalley also thanked the electorate for their vote and stated that he was very proud to serve as the Council's only Green Party Candidate and undertook to push on Climate Change issues.

12. Open Forum for Grimston Electors

Issues raised: None

Meeting closed at 8.15pm

Chairman

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