

# *Kimberley and Carleton Forehoe Parish Council*

## MINUTES OF

### KIMBERLEY AND CARLETON FOREHOE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

HELD AT CARLETON FOREHOE CHURCH  
ON FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016 AT 7PM

The Parish Council Chairman, Mr Colin House, presided and the following Councillors were present:-

Jane Fraser, Val Evans and Joy Smiley. The Parish Clerk, District Councillor Michael Edney and County Councillor Margaret Dewsbury and 1 member of the public were also present.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** There were no apologies for absence.
2. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 15<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015** were read, agreed and signed by the Chairman.
3. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** was presented by the Chairman (copy annexed to these Minutes ref: **Appendix 1**).
4. **FINANCIAL REPORT** was presented by the Clerk (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix 2**).
5. **REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILOR** was presented by Mr M Edney, District Councillor. He reported that there had been no ward business arising from the parish in the last year. South Norfolk Council was continue to look at devolution deals, with leaders and chief executives from several counties engaging in discussions. Boundaries were being reviewed and there was an opportunity to join up with a neighbouring parish if desired. Michael had been appointed as Deputy Leader of the Council. Grants were available for the Tiffey Valley area.
6. **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILOR** Mrs M Dewsbury, County Councillor, reported that council tax had risen by 3.99%, with 2% ring fenced for Adult Social Care. This amount to 88p per week for band D properties. The Conservatives had regained control of Norfolk County Council which was likely to see changes. 122 parish partnership schemes had been approved for small highways improvements, and it was expected that this would go ahead again on a 50/50 funding basis. £1.5M was being made available for small projects and potholes. £350K had been saved on gritting. It was noted that the road surface outside the cottages in Kimberley needed relaying as it had broken up.
7. **REPORT FROM KIMBERLEY FETE COMMITTEE** was presented by Joy Smiley. She reported that 2015 had been another successful fete where £4,500

was raised. £2,500 was donated to the church, and the remainder went to charities and the vehicle activated signs. The 2016 fete would be on 5<sup>th</sup> June, and would feature the dog show.

**8. REPORT FROM CARLETON FOREHOE FENLAND CHARITY** Mrs V Evans reported that the management plan continued, with biodiversity being encouraged. The 5 year grant was coming to an end, and other funding sources were being sought. The temporary permissive access to the fenland had been withdrawn, so there was no longer any public access.

**9. REPORT FROM KIMBERLEY CHURCH** Joy Smiley reported that services continued on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month. In 2015 Kimberley had hosted a harvest festival, pet service, and Remembrance. The carol service on Christmas Eve had raised £327 which was donated to St Martins Housing Trust. A lime tree had been removed, which through an unfortunate series of events had taken down the electric and telephone cables, followed by part of the outside wall. This had been rebuilt.

**10. REPORT FROM CARLETON FOREHOE CHURCH** Ivan Revell-Burrows reported presented his report (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix 3**).

**11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS** None.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.20pm.

Signed:

Dated: