

Kimberley and Carleton Forehoe Parish Council

MINUTES OF

KIMBERLEY AND CARLETON FOREHOE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

HELD AT CARLETON FOREHOE CHURCH
ON FRIDAY 19th May 2017 AT 7PM

The Parish Council Vice Chairman, Joy Smiley, presided and the following Councillors were present:-

Jane Fraser and Val Evans. 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 13th MAY 2016** 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 Michael Edney, District Councillor (copy annexed to these minutes ref: **Appendix 3**). He noted that it had been an interesting year as Deputy Leader of the Council and he was pleased to see South Norfolk Council succeeding.
- 6. REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILOR** Mrs M Dewsbury, County Councillor, reported that 137 parishes had been successful with their parish partnership bids, and she hoped the scheme would be run again. The NDR was on schedule for a Christmas opening and work was ongoing for the 'missing link' alongside the dualling of the A47 to Honingham. 95% of homes were expected to have broadband by 2020, and SNC was investing money to facilitate this. Library improvements were taking place with a view to making them social hubs to help tackle loneliness. The first post-election committee meetings had taken place, and Margaret had been elected Chairman of Communities. A new Business and Property Committee was being planned. The year was beginning with a balanced budget, however more savings and income were required.
- 7. REPORT FROM KIMBERLEY FETE COMMITTEE** was presented by Joy Smiley. She reported that the 2016 Fete had once again been a successful and well attended event, with good activities on offer. £4,600 had been raised. The next Fete would be 4th June 2017.

- 8. REPORT FROM CARLETON FOREHOE FENLAND CHARITY** Mrs V Evans reported that the management plan continued, and thanked the Council for their continued support.
- 9. REPORT FROM KIMBERLEY CHURCH** Joy Smiley reported that 14 services were held in 2016, with one funeral, one baptism and a Christmas service which had been well attended. Fundraising for the new organ was taking place, with £8k - £10k required.
- 10. REPORT FROM CARLETON FOREHOE CHURCH** Jane Fraser reported that church services were held once a month, and there had been a couple of weddings and a funeral. Lead had been stolen from the roof twice, resulting in a £65,000 bill. Agreement had been given not to replace with lead. A window had been smashed over the weekend as well. Fundraising continued.
- 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS** None.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30pm.

Signed:

Dated: