

TRUSHAM PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 30th April 2014 in the Village Hall

Present:

Jim Putz (in the chair), David Davies, Sue Gauntlett, Tony & Lesley Wheaton, Ann Glendinning, Peter Gauntlett, Judith Rowland, Jane Brooks, Penelope Putz, Norman Norsworthy, Tim Burling, Helen Harding, Keith Edgington, Jo Hickson.

Apologies for Absence:

Mary & Brian Cook, Angela Cameron, Barry Rowland, Peter Harding, Pat & David Smethurst, Sally Newton, Mick McGee, Lyn Robinson, Patsy Mudie, Marjool & Graham Brooke, Ann Davies.

1. **Welcome:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the AGM and spoke about the purpose of holding the AGM and electing a Chairman and committee which acted in an advisory capacity. He explained there were three separate banking accounts set up for the village which were subject to annual audit, the village hall account having Charity Commission status. Funds raised under the heading of the Community Fund could be put to use for either Parish or hall needs.

2. **Minutes:**

The Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 25th April 2013 had been posted on the village noticeboard, the website, email circulated prior to the meeting, and had been previously reviewed by the committee; they were then signed as a correct record.

3. **Matters Arising:** There were no matters arising.

4. **Planning Matters:**

There had been several planning applications during the year, which TDC forward to the committee for comment on Parish and community benefit. The Parish do not comment on these applications unless there could be community concerns, i.e. traffic and parking.

No formal notification had been received to date of Western Power re-cabling the whole village and replacing power cable poles.

5. **Accounts:**

David Davies presented the accounts. Receipts had been Precept £1,000; P3 Footpath £300 and Electors Fund £690. It was explained that the electors fund was received from a TDC fund made up of £1.50 per registered elector for community use. Trusham had ceded their portion 2 years ago to Christow for the skate park This year Ashton parish and our district councillor had ceded their portions to Trusham and it was proposed to buy 3 or 4 new picnic tables for the village green.

There was currently £2,445.82 in the bank. During the year payments had been made: Insurance £245.67; Devon Assoc.Local Councils £24.59; rent for village green £100; ROSPA for inspection of play park equipment £85.20; British Legion wreath £20; Christmas tree lights £47.97 and lawn mower service £90.09. The acceptance of the accounts were proposed by Peter Gauntlett, seconded Judith Rowland and accepted by the Meeting. Judith Rowland offered a vote of thanks to David Davies for his work on the accounts.

6. Footpaths

The only outstanding work to be carried out was insertion of gravel between treads on Footpath leading up from Broadway. Peter Gauntlett volunteered to donate some shale for that purpose. It was explained that any funds received from P3 could only be used for maintenance of footpaths. It was reported that the style at the top of this said footpath had still not been replaced by the landowner.

7. Correspondence:

Notification of consultation document concerning Chudleigh Library and its possible closure on a full or part time basis and being run by volunteers. There had been a 15% reduction in borrowers over 5 years and visits were down 27%. There was a drop in session being held on Friday 30th May between 2pm-4pm to discuss and all details were available on library website. Villagers were to be urged via the newsletter to use this facility and the mobile library service. **JR**

8. Election of Officers and Committee:

Jim Putz was proposed as Chairman, David Davies as Treasurer, and Sue Gauntlett as Secretary. The previous committee of Jane Brooks, Keith Edgington, Judith Rowland, Patsy Mudie, Tony Wheaton, Sarah Maybin, Ann Glendinning, Norman Norsworthy and Jo Hickson all agreed to stand again. All officers and committee were proposed by Peter Gauntlett, seconded by Helen Harding and elected en-bloc.

9. Any Other Business:

TDC had asked the village if they wanted to buy the bus shelter, but this was declined and we are not obliged to do any structural maintenance. However, the shelter is in need of some repair and the Committee will look at this matter and also the trimming of the walnut tree in the play park. **Committee**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.