

**MILBORNE ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL  
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MINUTES**



<b>Held on: 19/04/2017 at 19:30hrs</b>		<b>Location: Milborne St Andrew Village Hall</b>	
<b>Present:</b>		Cllr Sarah Fox (Vice Chairman) Cllr Sue Cherry Cllr Karen Park Cllr Joy Robinson	
<b>In attendance:</b>		DCC Cllr Hilary Cox Nicola Hopkins (Wessex Water) Sarah Williams (Wessex Water) Mr Colin Hampton (Parish Clerk) 22 members of the public	
<b>138</b>	<b><u>Welcome</u></b>	Cllr Sarah Fox, Vice Chairman, welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that she would be chairing the meeting in the place of Cllr Jenny Balcon, Chairman, who is away.	
<b>139</b>	<b><u>Apologies</u></b>	NDDC Cllr Emma Parker NDDC Cllr Jane Somper Cllr Jenny Balcon (Chairman) Cllr Philip Smith	
<b>140</b>	<b><u>Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> April 2016</u></b>	<b>RESOLVED</b> that the Minutes of the meeting be confirmed and signed as a correct record.	
<b>141</b>	<b><u>Presentation on the Management and Upkeep of the Bere River (Mill Stream)</u></b>	<p>The Vice Chairman introduced Nicola Hopkins and Sarah Williams from Wessex Water who had kindly stepped in at short notice to give presentations instead of the advertised speaker, Jacob Dew of the Dorset Wildlife Trust who had left the organisation and was no longer able to attend.</p> <p>Nicola gave an interesting and informative talk on the Dorset Harbour catchment area, of which the Bere River is an integral part, highlighting some of the problems involved in maintaining a healthy environment for water courses, the downstream effects of not doing so and the part we can all play in helping to achieve a well-managed environment in and around the river as it flows through our village.</p> <p>Sarah gave an equally enlightening talk on water voles, which inhabit the river at March Bridge. She illustrated the difficulties of maintaining the river around them and the need for an informed survey of their habitat before any work is carried out in their vicinity.</p> <p>After a Q&amp;A session both speakers were given a vote of thanks by the Vice Chairman.</p>	
<b>142</b>	<b><u>Annual Report by the Chairman of the Parish Council</u></b>	The Vice Chairman read a report from Cllr Balcon, a copy of which appears as Appendix A of the Minute Book.	
<b>143</b>	<b><u>County Councillor's Annual Report</u></b>		

	DCC Cllr Hilary Cox presented her annual report, a copy of which appears as Appendix B of the Minute Book.
<b>144</b>	<b><u>District Councillor's Annual Report</u></b>  The Clerk read a report from NDDC Cllr's Jane Somper and Emma Parker, a copy of which appears as Appendix C of the Minute Book.
<b>145</b>	<b><u>Financial Report for the Year 2016-17 (un-audited)</u></b>  The Clerk presented his report for FY 2016-17, a copy of which appears as Appendix D of the Minute Book.
<b>146</b>	<b><u>Neighbourhood Planning Group Annual Report</u></b>  Mrs Sue Gould presented the NPG report, a copy of which appears as Appendix E of the Minute Book.
<b>147</b>	<b><u>Flood Warden's Annual Report</u></b>  Mr Steve Lord presented his report, a copy of which appears as Appendix F of the Minute Book.
<b>148</b>	<b><u>Homewatch Co-ordinator's Annual Report</u></b>  Cllr Joy Robinson explained that there had been little HW activity but she had obtained a set of crime statistics for Milborne St Andrew which shows a drop in reported crime this year. A copy of the statistics appears as Appendix G of the Minute Book.  Cllr Robinson then went on to update the meeting on progress with the defibrillator campaign. One is already installed outside the Village Hall and thanks to fundraising and very generous donations from Buckingham Healthcare and The Reporter there are now sufficient funds for a second machine, with progress also being made towards the cost of purchasing a third. A copy of the defibrillator report appears as Appendix H of the Minute Book.
<b>149</b>	<b><u>Open Forum</u></b>  A member of the public informed the meeting that The Causeway would be closed for a week from 5 <sup>th</sup> June to repair and relay the concrete drain covers in the centre of the road. The Clerk said that he had not received a notification from Highways proposing this work and undertook to follow it up.
	The meeting closed at 21:15 hrs.  Signed:  <b>Signed on original</b>  Cllr Sarah Fox  Vice Chairman of the Council
	Dated: 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2018