

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday,
3 May 2016 in the Civic Chamber, Council Offices, Skelmanthorpe**

Members Present: Cllrs K Waites, J Cook, C Naylor, W Jewitt, L Hardy, J Summers, R Gott, R Brook, P Flinders, M Blanshard, G Turner, S Hellewell, E Shaw, S Slater, J Senior, S Merry

In Attendance: C Wadsworth (Clerk)

Apologies: Cllrs P Cassidy, J Depledge, N Denby, P Kemp

The Chairman welcomed those present to the Annual Parish Meeting,

16/214 Minutes of the Last Annual Parish Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that there were no comments on the minutes of the meeting held on 19 May 2015.

16/215 Business Arising from Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** that no business was arising from the previous meeting minutes

16/216 Annual Report of the Parish Council and Chairman's Report

The Chairman of the Council presented the Annual Report of the Parish Council for the year 2015/2016 and his report.

It was **RESOLVED** that the reports be received.

16/217 Annual Report of the School Governors

Cllr Waites gave a verbal report as governor of Scissett First School. This included:

- Scissett First School, along with 3 other schools in the parish, were to form a 'Multi Academy Trust' which should get approval on the 1st August 2016.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be received.

16/218 Reports from District Councillors

Cllr Turner gave a verbal report which included:

- It had been a very challenging year for the council with the budget cuts introduced.
- All local governments were now in transition to deliver fewer services with less staff, however Kirklees was still in a strong position.
- Funding was secured for the delivery of broadband to remove 'white spots' of slower speed.
- Huddersfield Royal Infirmary was still a major issue, with Kirklees councillors opposed to the plans
- The Local Plan was still on-going with comments being worked through.
- The Library Services Review had taken place, with this parish having both its libraries saved with the help of volunteers.
- The Asset Transfer for the Skelmanthorpe Library Building had also been completed by the parish council.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be received

16/219 Reports from Voluntary Organisations with Official Representatives of the Council

Cllr Turner stated that the Environment Trust continued to meet and was always on the look-out for new volunteers. The employment by the parish council of the new Countryside Officer should help it progress.

It was **RESOLVED** that the report be received

No other reports from voluntary organisations with official representatives of the Council were received.

16/220 Further resolutions to consider

No further resolutions were submitted

16/221 Chairman's Closing Remarks

The Chairman thanked everyone present for their attendance. The meeting closed at approximately 7.15pm.

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CHAIRMAN