

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PARISH OF TREETON HELD IN THE READING ROOMS, FRONT STREET, TREETON ON MONDAY 18th APRIL 2011 AT 6.30 p.m.

Present.

Councillor J.F. Swift, Chairman of the Parish Council, presided over an attendance of 9 persons, including 5 members of the Parish Council.

Welcome.

The chairman opened the meeting and welcomed those present to the Annual Assembly.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting of the Annual Assembly held on Monday 26th April 2010 were distributed by the clerk and approved as a true record by Councillors D. Whysall and G.E. Payne

Accounts.

The clerk presented a summary of the financial statement for the year ended 31st March 2011. This was accepted by the meeting.

Chairman's Report.

I am pleased to be able to report another significant and successful year for Treeton Parish Council.

This year has seen the much needed refurbishment and upgrade of the Parish Reading Rooms take place. The rooms have now been completely re-wired, all the windows and front door have been replaced with UPVC double glazed units, a new internal ceiling has been installed and the tables and chairs have been replaced. The main walls and floors have also been re-painted.

The cyber café opened last year in the Youth Club building continues to be a success and during the last year there were six IT classes held for village residents. It is hoped that these will continue in the coming year.

The Parish Council funded Junior Youth Club continues to grow in numbers, the Parish Council having to increase staff hours to cope with the increased numbers for safety reasons. The Parish Council has recently purchased a computer for the Youth Club and they will shortly be holding their own cinema evenings for the youngsters. Also during the current year in partnership with Rotherham MBC we have had the assistance of qualified coaches for sessions on the all weather pitch which have proved very popular and have been very successful.

The floodlight sports pitch adjacent to the Youth Club has recently also had a complete overhaul with a general clear-up of the site, repairs and painting bringing it back up to standard. This is again a very popular facility and is used by junior soccer teams from the village for their training during the winter months and bad weather.

This year has seen the Parish Council Newsletter increase to the four editions which were planned for each year and also increase in size. Many thanks must go to Councillor Ms

Jennie Swift and the Clerk who have overseen the editorial side of the Newsletter and to fellow councillors and volunteers for assisting with its distribution. Anyone who has any articles or news that could be included in any edition, please contact councillor Ms Swift.

The Parish Council website launched last year continues to be a tremendous success. Containing details of forthcoming meetings and minutes of previous meetings it assists with continuing the Parish Councils openness and transparency.

Treeton Parish Council continues to be the only Parish Council in the Borough of Rotherham that funds its own Youth Club and continues to fund the TV Licence scheme for the elderly. This year has also seen the continued partnership working with Rotherham M.B.C. and the partial funding of the Footpaths Officer. Funding from both Rotherham M.B.C. and the Rother Valley West Area Assembly has resulted in significant improvements in the footpaths and bridleways in and around the village. All of these are now readily accessible for those walking around the village and its surrounding woodlands. Each year a total of over four miles of footpaths in the village are covered.

The Parish Council has also made a number of small grants throughout the year to organisations both within the village and the borough.

Our village continues to be kept neat and tidy and a big thank you for that must go to Ray Bolton our Village Handyman and Footpaths Officer Ian Mason. Both these two have contributed significantly to the improved appearance of the village.

Appreciation must also be made of the efforts and continued support I have received off the clerk of the council Chris Brown.

Any Other Business.

There was no other business.

Closure of Meeting.

At this point and having no further business, the Chairman thanked all those present and declared the meeting closed.

Chairman:

Date: