

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
OF WEST DOWN PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT WEST DOWN PARISH HALL ON 4th MAY 2016

Present: Cllr C King (Vice Chairman), DCllr M Wilkinson, Cllrs S Ayre, R Drew, K Oades, S Squire and J Willmott.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.00pm by welcoming the members of the public present.

1. Apologies. Apologies were received from CCllr A Davis and DCllr P Barker.
2. Resignation.
 - a. The clerk read out a letter of resignation from the Chairman, Cllr Janet Oades. As Vice Chairman, Cllr King chaired the meeting and publically thanked Janet Oades for all her work with the Parish Council since she joined in May 2003.
 - b. Clerk to start the process to obtain another Parish Councillor.
3. Minutes of the last Meeting. The Chair read out the previously approved Minutes of the last APM held on 3rd June 2015.
4. Questions from the Public. The Chair invited questions from the Public.
 - a. Mr D Ayre – spoke on a number of subjects:
 - (1) He acknowledged and thanked Janet Oades for all that she has done on the Parish Council over the years.
 - (2) As in previous years, he complained about the condition of the ‘main drag’ road from The Square to The Triangle, which has still not been resurfaced.
 - (3) He spoke about the proposed ‘self help’ project to tidy up the village.
 - (4) There has been an increase in fly-tipping and he encouraged people to report instances on the District Council website.
 - (5) He encouraged people to report potholes on the County Council website.
 - (6) He thanked David and Ronnie Maidment for the work in developing and maintaining the village website at www.westdown.org.uk.
 - b. Mr R Watts – spoke about the fly-tipping at the Dean Cross picnic site. Cllr Squire remarked that fly-tipping has become worse since the introduction of charges at the council re-cycling centres.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.15 pm.