

COSBY PARISH COUNCIL

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<u>Minutes</u>

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of the Registered Electors of the Parish of Cosby held at 7.00pm on Thursday 18th May 2023 in the Heritage Room, Cosby Village Hall, Park Road, Cosby under the chairmanship of Cllr: V Rye

 Present:
 Cllr V Rye (Chair)
 Cllr C Pharoah
 Cllr J Chapman
 Cllr M Howkins

 Cllr: J Wolfe
 Cllr: H Stevenson

 One member of the public

Also present: Mr L Phillimore (Clerk & Parish Manager) Mrs S Chapman (Assistant Parish Manager)

1. Chairman's Annual Report

Cllr: V Rye welcomed those present and presented the Chairman's Annual Report as follows: -.

Good evening

Agenda item 1 – To receive a report from the Chairman of Cosby Parish Council.

The last 12 months have been very busy and successful for Cosby Parish Council. We have held three very popular events for the Queens Jubilee, the Christmas Lights switch-on and the Kings Coronation.

There has been positive feedback from everyone and the pressure seems to be on for us to continue these and annual basis – so watch this space.

We now have a good number of stall holders and attractions who are keen to join us at our events and we've been able to raise funds for the new caterpillar benches for our playground.

Work has started on the installation of new equipment in the playground which will be ready for the school holidays and this just goes to show why the accrual of substantial funds is so important for the Parish Council and we have been able to undertake such a major expenditure when it is needed.

I would like to say at this point a huge thank you Sarah for all the time that she has taken in exploring suitable equipment, meeting with contractors and getting designs drawn up and now finally, we are nearly at the finishing post so thank you very much Sarah.

As a Council we were saddened to hear of the passing of Honourary Alderman Alan Tanner earlier this year and Kristal Scotton resigned from the council during the year and we welcomed Helen Stevenson to the council.

Cosby Neighbourhood Plan was "Made" following a successful referendum so has been adopted.

I would just like to ensure that we acknowledge that there has been a small number of vey time consuming and complex matters that have arisen over the past year and our thanks go to Les as Parish Manager and Sarah for their time and patience in resolving all of them.

Looking forward, continued development of the playground area, hopefully some grant funding will allow us to install a jogging track around the perimeter of Victory Park and explore the possibility of a MUGA on an appropriate site.

We have our Christmas lights switch-on to look forward to at the end of this year and of course, we now face the fight to limit housing development within our village.

I am sure that the next year will be as busy as the last one.

Thank you very much.

Agenda item 2 – to consider any matters parishioners wish to raise.

No matters raised.

With no other requests to speak or matters to consider, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.08pm

Cllr: V Rye. Chairman