

# CLIFTON REYNES & NEWTON BLOSSOMVILLE JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Clifton Reynes & Newton Blossomville Joint Parish Council held at the Reading Room, Newton Blossomville 7.30pm on Wednesday 18th May 2016 when the following business was conducted.

**PRESENT** Councillors Mr N Sibbald (Chairman) together with Councillors Gerry Cronin, Simon Rees, David Swanston and David Wrightson together with the Parish Clerk Karen Turnbull

**1. To elect a Chairperson**

One proposition was received that of Councillor Sibbald who was unanimously elected.

**2. To receive a Statutory Declarations of Office**

All councillors undertook and signed the Statutory Declaration of Office.

**3. To receive any apologies for non attendance**

None

**4. To elect a Vice Chairperson**

Councillor Swanston was unanimously elected.

**5. To review the Members Register of Interests**

It was noted that all Members present at the meeting had completed and signed their Members' Register of Interests. **Action Clerk** to return these to the Elections Officer at Milton Keynes Council.

**6. Election of Representatives to:**

- (a) Reading Room Committee
- (b) Kites Charity

The Joint Parish Council noted that Mr Eyres has replaced Mr Sparrow on Kites Charity until 2019.

The Joint Parish Council asked the Clerk to write to both the Reading Room Committee and Kites Charity to ascertain if either require a representative from the Council. **Action Clerk**

**7. Approval of minutes Annual Meeting of the Parish 20th May 2015**

Resolved to receive the minutes of the meeting of Clifton Reynes and Newton Blossomville Joint Parish Council held of Wednesday 20th May 2015 as previously circulated were taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman.

**8. To re-adopt the Asset Register**

Resolved to formally approve. The Clerk enquired about the flooring for the marquee and was told this had not been used recently as is not in good condition. **Action Councillor Wrightson agreed to inspect the flooring.**

**9. To receive the Parish Council's Financial Statement for the year ending 31/3/16**

- (a) To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2015/6  
Resolved to approve the Annual Governance Statement
- (b) To approve the Annual Accounting Statements for 2015/16  
Resolved to approve the Annual Accounts for year ended 31st March 2016
- (c) To review the effectiveness of the internal audit

It was agreed to defer this matter. It will be on the agenda for the next meeting in August 2016

**10. 2015/2016 Accounts**

These were circulated to Councillors, agreed to be correct and signed by the Chairman.

**11. Reports**

Footpaths Officer

Mr Foll was unable to attend the meeting, but submitted a detailed report. Mr Foll reported that generally the rights of way network is in good shape as it has been for many years. All paths in the Joint Parish have been walked by the Footpaths Officer. Cllr Swanston pointed out that the Newton/Brayfield footpath has been overlooked as it is not in good condition. A fully copy of Mr Foll's report was copied to the Councillors and will be published on village notice boards. **Action Clerk to contact Footpaths Officer at Milton Keynes Council regarding the Newton/Brayfield footpath.**

There being no further business the meeting finished at 8.00pm.