

**MINUTES OF THE LAMYATT PARISH AGM
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2017 AT 18.00**

Present: Anthony Ffooks (Chairman), Alison Stone (Secretary) and 11 village residents.

Anthony welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming.

Previous Minutes agreed and signed.

No minutes were available so these will be agreed and signed at the next meeting.

Matters Arising

1. New signs – Anthony received a quote of £450.00 for new oak finger signs pointing the way to the Village Hall. Although there had been an offer from Nick Smallwood via the Bullbeggar Cider fund, it was decided that for now this is too expensive. The signs that are there at the moment are perfectly adequate.
2. Milk bottle tops – Castle Cary Fish and Chip shop now collect milk bottle tops for Charities. Anyone may drop them off there.
3. Super-fast broadband – not enough people signed up with Wessex Internet so it didn't go ahead. However, Gigaclear has launched pre-construction survey work to build an entirely new full fibre network across the region. It was suggested that an email be sent out to the village with more information about this.

Finance

There is £26.01 in the Parish account so there is no longer a need to file a return. A question was raised as to who the signatories on the account are. Anthony will get this clarified.

A.O.B

1. Drains – Previously Anthony has asked that residents take responsibility for keeping the drains clear outside of their own properties. However, as no one seems to be doing this there are still issues with blocked drains, with the one above the Church being particular bad. Anthony stressed that it is much quicker if we do this ourselves rather than waiting for the council to come out. It really is a quick job if you keep on top of it. The residents present agreed so hopefully our drain problems will improve.

2. Traffic - From time to time the village has huge heavy lorries driving through it, sometimes as many as 30 a day. This has become quite an issue for residents who live close to the road. Anthony has spoken with the local haulage company who agreed to cut down the traffic as much as possible. It appears they came through the village due to a misunderstanding of the weight restriction through Evercreech.
3. Pheasant shoot – Anthony has a copy of the shoot dates if anyone would like them. The shoot will not start before 11 and will always stop to let people through who are using the bridle path.
4. Planning – it appears that there has been a change of planning to a village residence without the immediate neighbours' knowledge and they feel it is not in keeping with the village. However, the planning has been approved. A query arose as to whether another residence had applied for planning for their holiday home. This will be looked into.

Election of Offices

Anthony Ffooks resigned his position as Chair of the Parish Meeting but made it clear that he would continue to organise the Oil Buying scheme and also carry on being the local rep for Farm Watch.

Anthony then proposed that Alison Stone remain as secretary for another year. Ali agreed and it was seconded.

It was then proposed that Paul Chadwick take up the position as Chair of the Parish Meeting. Paul agreed and it was seconded.

Paul thanked Anthony for all his commitment and hard work over the previous years. Everyone agreed and joined in with their thanks.

It was quickly discussed that the draft minutes for the meeting would be posted on the village website and notice board.

With no more business to attend to, Anthony thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.