

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Willoughby on the Wolds held on Friday April 14, 2015, held in the village hall at 7pm

The chairman, Coun. George Mann welcomed 8 members of the public to the meeting along with Coun. Mrs Fiona Mason, the Rushcliffe Borough Council member.

1] **Apologies** There were none.

2] **Minutes** of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on May 14, 2014, were accepted as presented and signed by the chairman Coun. George Mann.

3] **Matters arising**
There were no matters arising.

4] **Reports:**

Chairman's report: The chairman Coun. George Mann, reported on activities of the past year of the parish council and said there had been difficulties over meetings because of lack of a quorum of members available to attend. The clerk was thanked for working towards assisting over the situation.

The continuing difficulties over dangers at the Back Lane junction was an item the parish council had attempted to improve over the year and there had been a site meeting with Notts County Council officers to look at various possibilities.

Finance report: The clerk reported the council had begun the year with a balance in hand of £9,762 an amount split between two accounts – with National Savings and NatWest Bank.

During the 2014/2015 financial year the total amount spent by the council totaled £6,300, a reduction on the previous 12 months. .

Expenditure included insurance with £265, subscriptions with £202 and £98 for audit fees, with £32 spent on the village website. The parish council made grants of £180 to local groups and organisations during the twelve month period. The council spent £1600 during the year on the community park area and £110 on the church clock.

The income during the year was £7,581 including £7,000 from precept and £80. Bank interest was £51 whilst VAT recovered from expenditure on goods and services during 2013/2014 was £530.

The balance in hand as at March 31, 2015, was £12,817. The precept for the 2015/2016 year is £8,000. .

A report was presented by Coun. Mrs Val Rhodes in respect of the village hall in which she said the hall continues to provide a positive focus for community activities and had recently appointed a new chairman.

Thanks were given to Mike and Mandy Jones for their work in ensuring the hall ran successfully.

A vote of thanks was registered by the meeting to the hall committee for its work in the upkeep of the building and the services it offered to the parish.

5] **Residents Time**

News was given of a Churchyard working party on April 25 with an appeal for the public to give it their support. Speeding traffic was discussed with a suggestion it had not eased during the last 12 months.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm.