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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on
Tuesday 7th May 2024 at 7:00pm in the Reading Room

2255 Present: Councillor Beazley Councillor Day
 Councillor Crisp District Councillor Atterwill
 Councillor Reader District Councillor Duffield
 Councillor Radford

14 members of the public

2256 Apologies: Councillor Keidan, County Councillor Kiddle-Morris, Councillor Melton

2257 The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2023 were read and agreed as a true record. It was proposed by Councillor Reader to sign as a true copy and seconded by Councillor Crisp. All Councillors present agreed.

2258 Report on the business of the Parish Council – The report was read by the clerk and is available on the village website. The village gateway which should have been installed in March, still is not installed. Clerk to chase.

2259 Report from the Allotments – The report was read by the clerk and is available on the village website.

2260 Report from Gressenhall Community Car Scheme – The report was read by Anne Maskell and is available on the village website. Thanks were given to Anne and her drivers for providing such a valuable service to the village. Anne informed the parish council that the £1,500 funding from Breckland was around £190 short this year. It was agreed to monitor the spend this year, and apply for more funding for next year if needed.

2261 Report from the Relief Charity – The report was read by the chairman and is available on the village website.

2262 Report from St Mary's School – No report received.

2263 Report from Homewatch – The report was read by the clerk and is available on the village website. It was agreed to ask the coordinator if there was a deputy to contact in their absence.

2264 Report from Gressenhall Social Club – The report is available on the village website. The social club had a successful year even with extremely high electricity costs and carry out repairs.

2265 Report from the Reading Room – The report was read by Garth Russell and is available on the village website.

2266 Report from Gressenhall Rural Life Museum – The report was read by Mike Crisp and is available on the website.

- 2267 Report from News and Views – Highlights of the report were read by the chairman with the full report being available on the village website.
- 2268 Report from the Fete Committee – The report was read by the clerk and is available on the village website. The Chairman thanked the fete committee for the huge amount of work put in to organise great community events for the village.
- 2269 Report from St Mary’s Church – The report was read by Reverend Julia and is available on the village website.
- 2270 Report from The Swan Community Pub – The report was read by the clerk and is available on the village website. The Chairman noted that the pub has had a successful, busy year which is reflected in the extended opening hours.
- 2271 Report from Gressenhall Choir – The report was read by Jane Roberson and is available on the village website. The Chairman noted that the choir was a very important part of the village and thanked Jane for all her efforts.
- 2272 Report from Gressenhall Bowls Club – Jane Roberson gave a verbal report stating that the club house had been transformed thanks to the help of members.

Reports from other bodies

- 2273 Report from District Councillor Atterwill – The report was read by Councillor Atterwill and is available on the village website. Also, Beetley Pre-School were looking for new premises which he was assisting with.
- 2274 Report from District Councillor Duffield – Added that Beetley Pre-School were looking at land behind the pre-school near North Elmham. The Chairman thanked both District Councillors for all their help and assistance over the year.
- 2274 Report from Councillor Kiddle-Morris – No report received.
- 2275 Report from Police Community Engagement Officer – No report received.
- 2276 The Chairman thanked all groups for their reports which are available on the parish website and stated that the village was lucky to have so many active organisations in the village.

That being all the meeting closed at 7:40pm.

Signed:

Dated: