**Unconfirmed Minutes of Lockington Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 28h June 2021**

APM01/21 - Apologies**:** – Parish Councillors; Mary Munro-Hill, Graham Chapman & Jeremy Mason.

Lockington Parish Councillors present were: Kevin Marshall (Chair), John Rowson, Andrew Proctor, Andrew How, James Warburton & Adrian Crookes

Visitors: No visitors present.

There were no members of the general public present.

The Clerk, Mr Gareth Rees was also present.

APM02/21. The Minutes of the 2019 Annual Parish Meeting;

The Minutes of the above meeting held on Monday 17th June 2019 had been previously circulated to all Parish Councillors for review and subsequent approval. Parish Councillors present at the meeting agreed it was a true and correct record of the meeting and duly approved the minutes with no amendments.

Proposal: Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 17th June 2019 be accepted.

Proposer: Parish Councillor Andrew How

Seconder: Parish Councillor Kevin Marshall.

A vote was taken and the resolution was carried unanimously.

Resolved: Meeting minutes approved.

The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true and proper record on behalf of the Parish Council.

Name………………………………………Signature…………………………Date……………….

APM03/21. Lockington Parish Council Chairperson’s Report Annual Report

The Annual Chairperson report was presented by the Chairman, Parish Councillor Kevin Marshall.

**Lockington Parish Council – Chair’s Report 2020/21**

This has been a difficult year to conduct Parish Council business due to the Corona Virus restrictions that has precluded any ‘live’ meetings. That said, the adjustment to Zoom Meetings was relatively painless (although not without technical hitches at times!) and we have had some very useful and lively discussions between Councillors and Parishioners on topical issues. Key issues from meetings have continued to be summarised in the Gazette distributed to all residents.

The Parish Clerk’s records show that during 2020/21, the Parish Council agreed 82 actions in response to a multitude of issues that arose or were mentioned by residents. At the year- end 76 of those actions were completed (92%). Issues to highlight include:

* **TROD along Station Road** – after much effort and pressure ERYC finally agreed to construct the proposed TROD (new footpath on the grass verge) from the Village to the A164. This should be much safer for pedestrians and road users alike with five new passing places along this stretch of road. Works are scheduled to commence in August 2021.
* **Flooding Works/Beck Clearance** – there has been ongoing dialogue and progress regarding mitigation of flood risks in the village including new drains, drain clearance, works at Thorpe Leys and establishment of a Volunteer Flood Warden Scheme. A new Beck Clearance regime has been agreed with the Environment Agency and removal of an existing ‘pinch point’ in Marsh that impedes flow is under discussion.
* **Proposed Community Green** – after a great deal of discussion, consultation with residents and careful deliberation, the Parish Council has resolved to proceed with the land exchange that will provide the opportunity to provide a community space for the benefit of residents. No decisions have been made on the content of any scheme for the site. A public meeting about the scheme is to take place as soon as practicable to further inform the Parish Council’s considerations before making any decisions about a scheme.
* **Finances** – The Parish Council’s finances have been well managed and are in good shape.
* **Thanks** – The Parish Council were sad to lose the input of Amanda Clarke and Caroline Holgate who resigned during the year but were pleased to co-opt two new members, James Warburton and Jerry Mason. The input and work of Parish Councillors is all voluntary and a word of thanks for all their endeavours and commitment is appropriate; the same applies to our hard working and efficient Parish Clerk and of course to residents who submitted views and contributed to the discussions on various issues.
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Kevin Marshall

Chair, Lockington Parish Council.

The Chairman, Parish Councillor Kevin Marshall was thanked by the Parish Council on behalf of the Parishioners, for all the work he had undertaken during the previous year.

The report was duly noted.

Clerk actioned to submit report to the Gazette.

Action Date 10th July 2021 (AN APM03/21).

APM04/21. Parish Residents Question Time

Regrettably, no residents attended the Parish Meeting.

Issued by;

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