

ROXBY CUM RISBY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 11 MARCH 2020 AT 7.15 PM IN THE METHODIST SCHOOLROOM

PRESENT

Councillors: S Smaza (Chair), P Farmery (Vice-Chair), C Webster (Vice-Chair), P Dodds, M Earp,
R Lockwood, M Verran
J Curtis (Clerk) minuting

10 members of the public were present.

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW

The Chairman read out his report at the end of the meeting.

3. OPEN FORUM

Flooding

Richard Clayton, a resident of Old Hall Lane, spoke about flooding on Old Hall Lane. The management of water through the village needed to be taken seriously as there had been 3 events in the last 3 months. He talked about a culvert that runs through the old farm yard which had not been cleared in years and ditches needed to be dug deeper and maintained. The land was full of water and gardens were being flooded, particularly on South Street, Roxby. A meeting between NLC, Balfours, Roxby Parish Council and local residents was to be set up. The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council would be interested in getting involved and would attend the meeting.

Social events

Discussion took place about how best to advertise all events in Roxby. Di Billups spoke about living in Roxby and how important it was to be able to meet other residents. She had moved from Appleby and initially she had been lonely until she was made aware of events that took place at the Methodist Chapel. She asked that the Parish Council consider the value of community and advertise community events for all. The Chairman thanked her for her comments and confirmed the Parish Council was committed to helping the communities of Roxby and Dragonby. A discussion opened up about the newsletter and advertising events in the village. The Chairman said that bookings in the Chapel hall were the responsibility of the Methodist Church and once the purchase of the Chapel was completed, the building would become the village hall and it would be the responsibility of the Trustees to advertise events held in the village hall.

Social media

The Parish Council were looking at developing a Facebook page where events could be advertised. At the moment the Parish Council only had the website. RC talked about a software package called Hootsuite which can send one message in one go to all social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter and the PC's website.

Landfill site

CW informed the meeting that Biffa's Residents updates were added to the website monthly. The smells from the site were discussed. CW and PF who attended the Landfill Liaison meetings confirmed there was only 5 years life left in the site after which it would become a country park.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman read his report. Cllr C Webster thanked SS for taking on the role.

MEETING CLOSED 8.05 pm

The next Annual Parish Council meeting would be Wednesday 26 May 2021 at 7.15 pm.

Signed Date
Chairman