**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON**

**MONDAY 1st April 2019 AT OAKAMOOR VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00PM**

**Present**: **Chairman:** Philip Charles.

 **Parish Councillors**: Frank Meadows, Mary Edwards,

Glenys Beard, Tony Loynes,

Cllr. Ivor Lucas (District).

Cllr. Elsie Fallows (District).

**Apologies.** Cllr. Mark Fallows), Cllr. Mike Worthington (County)

**In Attendance:** Mr J. Redfern, Lengthsman.

1. **Welcome and Apologies for Absence.**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were accepted.

1. **Chairman’s Report 2018/2019**

The Chairman read out a report of the last 12 months as follows:

1. Website

Creation of the new OPC website was completed, and a number of positive comments have been received from parishioners and visitors to Oakamoor.

 2. Transparency Code Compliance

 To meet the revised rules regarding democratic accountability, key spending and

 governance information was collated and published online.

 3. Assets

 Research into assets owned by the council was undertaken, and a full list of those assets

 installed onto the OPC website.

 4. Highways

 There were no major highways issues, some minor issues were reported and completed,

 however, a couple of items we did raise remain outstanding – clearly deemed as low

 priority by SCC.

 5. Maintenance

The Lengthsman continues to do an excellent job for the village and will be retained for 2019-2020. Following the withdrawal of Lengthsman funding by SCC, OPC requested some funding assistance specifically for road drain clearing, which constitutes a substantial part of the lengthsman time, however, we were unsuccessful. We are maintaining a log of hours spent on this task, which we will forward to SCC in due course. We continued to employ the Litter Picker on a managed basis, predominantly cleared discarded detritus on the B5417.

 6. Planning

 A number of Planning Applications were reviewed – the majority recommended for

 approval, and any material planning considerations highlighted where necessary.

 7. Finances

 A prudent approach to spending allowed us to operate within our budget. There was no

 capital expenditure in 2018/19. A detailed budget has been prepared for 2019/20.

 8. Summary

 Oakamoor Parish Council has had another largely successful year, and efforts

 to support the needs of our village and our parishioners will continue in 2019/20.

1. **Any other Matters Raised by Electors.**

No matters were raised.

**There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.15pm.**

Signed: ………………………………………………………… Dated: …………………………………………………