



Minutes of the Debenham Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday, 21st May 2018 at 7:30pm, Dove Cottage, Debenham.

Present: Cllr R Blackwell (Chairman), Cllr S Phipps, Cllr L Cockerton, Cllr J Baldwin, Cllr D Seccombe, Cllr S Dobson, District Cllr K Guthrie, Cllr Mrs D Bedwell (Clerk) and seven members of the public.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Apologies had been received from Cllrs S Palframan, M Hammond, G Helm, F Winrow-Giffin, County Cllr M Hicks and a number of representatives from local organisations.
- 2. To adopt the Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on 22 May 2017:** It was resolved to adopt the minutes as a true record of the meeting held.
- 3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:** There were no matters arising.
- 4. Presentation of the Debenham Community Awards:** The Community Awards were presented to those present and recipients were congratulated for their work with the community in their various areas. Those unable to attend would be receiving their award at the next Parish Council meeting.
- 5. Parish Council Chairman's Report:** The Chairman's report was presented by Cllr R Blackwell.
- 6. Responsible Financial Officer's Report:** The Responsible Financial Officer's report was presented by Mrs D Bedwell.
- 7. Police Report:** This report was also read out to those present.
- 8. County Councillor's Report:** A copy of the report was available to those present.
- 9. District Councillor's Report:** Cllr K Guthrie presented her report.
- 10. Reports from local organisations, groups and charities:** Reports were received from the Debenham Gardening Club, the Debenham First Responders, The Debenham Swimming Pool Project, The Royal British legion and the Debenham Website Editor. Written reports received but not read out would be made available via the website.

11. To receive suggestions and answer questions from the meeting: The recently appointed Debenham Website Editor invited contributions for the website from members of the parish; Cllr R Blackwell suggested the addition of a calendar of events to the website; Information was shared regarding the WW1 Centenary celebration events being planned for Debenham.

12. Refreshments: The meeting ended at 8.45pm, followed by refreshments.

Signed: _____ Date: _____