

Tutnall & Cobley Parish Council

MINUTES of the ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY of TUTNALL & COBLEY PARISH
Held on Tuesday 13 May 2014 in the Community Hall, Tardebigge

- 1 **WELCOME:** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2 **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 14 May 2013**
The minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly held on 14 May 2013 were approved.
Proposed: Cllr Denyer; Seconded: Cllr Ryan; All in Agreement
- 3 **COMMENTS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:** None
- 4 **ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN:**
The Chairman reported that the main topic of the year had been the proposed location and number of houses to be built in the parish and surrounding area. The increasing numbers remain a concern without considering locations. With ever decreasing public services and amenities it is a worry as to exactly where the resources will come from to service the increasing population. Where will the jobs be; if they work out of the area how will our current road network cope? We have been 'assured' that all our concerns have been heard and taken into consideration.
The Chairman thanked the Clerk for keeping the council on the 'straight and narrow'.
- 5 **ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE COMMUNITY HALL OFFICER:**
Cllr Denyer reported that the biggest problem last year had been the potholes to the car park entrance causing its closure for a week. A pupil's father had repaired the holes and will maintain on a regular basis. The committee was looking at raising funds for maintenance and paying the caretaker. The bonfire event broke even and will be held again this year. There will be 'Music in the Meadow' on 28 June. The biennial review of rents will take place this year. The hall is used by the school and has a booking every evening; a couple of weddings have been reserved.
- 6 **ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE FOOTPATH OFFICER:**
The Footpath Warden advised he had carried out regular inspections and small works and will continue to carry out work whenever he can. He'd also helped Bentley PC. He drives round the parish once a week, this year's mileage claim is 168. He is concerned about County Council funding. He is not prepared to complete the paperwork for the £500 P3 funding. Councillors are asked to contact the Footpath Warden if they see any work that needs doing.
- 7 **TREE WARDEN'S REPORT:** Cllr Ryan had no issues to report in his role as Tree Warden.
- 8 **CONSERVATION OFFICER:** Cllr Ryan confirmed it had been a quiet year with a few listed building applications to consider.
- 9 **ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE CHARITIES:**
Cllr Tolley confirmed that the usual schools had asked for, and received, monies for projects. The new vicar, Rev Richard Clark, is now becoming involved with the charity. Mike Herbert, who chairs the meetings, is ill and Cllr Tolley wished him well. It had been an ordinary year with no challenges and plenty of funding available. If anyone who knows of families who need help they can contact Cllr Tolley in confidence.

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- 10 **ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE EDITOR OF THE PARISH NEWSLETTER:** Cllr Denyer thanked Members for their contribution which produced another interesting newsletter. This year's theme is WW1 and the front cover will have WW1 parish war graves on the front cover. Could contributors start to think of their contributions earlier than usual?
- 11 **ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR:** Cllr Whittaker's main concern was the District Plan's proposal to build 3,000 + houses over the border into Bentley. The Plan was with the Inspectorate with the Public Enquiry on 16 - 17 June. Romsley might have to provide 7000 houses for Birmingham City.
- 12 **ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE COUNTY COUNCILLOR:** County Cllr K Taylor advised the Future Operating Model on 'out sourcing' was being discussed that week. Roads were now under one contractor - Ringway - with work schedules for the year being prepared now so please send details of work needed to him. He has questioned County as to why the traffic problems in Bromsgrove are not being addressed when housing development applications are submitted.
- 13 **REPORT FROM ANY OTHER PARISH REPRESENTATIVES:** None.
- 14 **COMMENTS FROM THE CLERK:** The Clerk reported that no complaints had been received during the year. There had been no particularly contentious issues to deal with.
- 15 **DISCUSS: Any Other Issues Appertaining to and Affecting the Parish:** None
- 15 **DATE OF THE NEXT PARISH ASSEMBLY:**
The date of the next Annual Parish Assembly is to be arranged.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Signed: Chairman

Date: 12 May 2015