

EASTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 20th May 2014 at 8pm in Eastham Memorial Hall

**In attendance: - Cllr Inge (Chairman), Cllr Adams, Cllr Arnold, Cllr Conway,
Cllr Horsfall, Cllr Moseley, Cllr Worsley
4 members of the public, District Cllr Gill Farmer, County Cllr Ken Pollock,
Clerk to Eastham Parish Council.**

- 1. Apologies: -** None received.
- 2. Welcome: -** Cllr John Inge chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone.
- 3. Adoption of Minutes of last Parish Meeting held on 7th May 2013: -** The minutes of the last Parish Meeting were circulated and all agreed for them to be signed by the Chairman.
- 4. Police Report –** Given at April meeting - details at end of the April minutes. It was again reported that Eastham has a very low crime rate.
- 5. Report by County Cllr Ken Pollock –** WCC to contract out services to cut budget. A discussion on potholes, road conditions and damage to cars followed. Divisional Funds available again this year for good causes. A written report given for circulation.
District Cllr Gill Farmer – District Cllr was concerned by number of planning applications in neighbouring parishes that are being approved. This is due to no Development Plan being in place for South Worcestershire. To date Eastham not affected. Enforcement Action at Oaktrees, Highwood ongoing. A resident voiced concerns regarding his recycling collection, to be looked into by District Cllr. A written report given for circulation.
- 6. Chairman's Report 2013-14: -** Circulated to all.
- 7. Broadband update –** Clerk advised still awaiting installation of mast. Due to wet weather will not be installed until crops have been harvested this autumn. This should improve Eastham/Rochford area. WCC have circulated a survey for users to complete, Clerk still attending meeting with WCC and supplier.
- 8. Defibrillator for Parish –** Clerk had applied to British Heart Foundation for funding, still awaiting decision. Bayton Parish Council have already purchased their machine and it was brought to this meeting.
- 9. Public Questions: -** No queries raised.
- 10. Welfare Trust Report: -**
Report was read out at meeting, copy in files.
- 11. Memorial Hall Report: -**
Chairman Pen Harrison reported it has been a busy year with events being very well supported. Plans for improvement to kitchen are being looked at. A written report given for circulation. Copy of Accounts in file.
- 12. Close: -** Chairman thanked everyone for coming and meeting closed at 9.27pm.

Signed
Chairman Eastham Parish Council

Date **May 2014**