

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Weston Beggard Parish

Held at Yarkhill Village Hall

On Monday 21st May 2018 at 6.50pm

Present: Mr Richard Williams – Chair of the Parish Council (Chairman)

In attendance: Emma Thomas – Parish Clerk

Parishioners: 6

1. To receive apologies for absence

None

2. To confirm and sign the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 9th May 2017

These were signed by the Chair as an accurate record.

3. To receive the Chairman's report

The Chairman gave his annual report – here below:

The year has seen a number of changes in the Parish Council. We have been sorry to see the departure of two councillors: Cllr David Probert in June and Cllr Tony Walsh in September. Both have contributed much to the parish over many years; Cllr Probert had served as Chairman and Cllr Walsh as Responsible Finance Officer. They were thanked warmly by the remaining Councillors and received a letter of thanks and a gift to mark their service.

I am delighted to report that we have co-opted 2 excellent replacements: Cllrs Keith Lawrence and John Young. Welcome to both of you.

The year has also seen the resignation of the Parish Clerk, Mr Malcolm Walker who had served us for 2 years. We have been very fortunate in engaging a replacement, Mrs Emma Thomas, who joined us in January. Welcome to you, Emma.

I learnt recently that our excellent Locality Steward, Cath Berkeley has left Balfour Beatty. She did much to support the parish. Her replacement is Paul Hunter. I have had no direct contact with him but he has certainly sorted out a number of dangerous highway issues that I reported recently.

It is understood that during the summer there will be a major resurfacing program for sections of the A4103 between Aylestone Hill and Lower Eggleton. One section runs through Shucknall and I have responded to the consultation on the practicalities of road closures etc. Work on the A4103 is planned from Aylestone Hill to Whitestone at the beginning of August and we are yet to learn of the schedule to complete work from Whitestone to Lower Eggleton.

I would urge councillors and parishioners to report any problems such as fly tipping and highway issues via the excellent pages on the Herefordshire Council website. It has been my experience that such problems are dealt with very quickly and efficiently by Balfour Beatty

I very much hope that we sail in calmer seas following a turbulent year.

4. Open discussion of Parish Matters

The key item of concern was the state of the roads and the potholes.

The meeting closed at 7.10pm

Signed: _____



Dated: _____

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