

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF HASKETON PARISH COUNCIL**

**HELD ON THURSDAY 14th MAY 2015 AT 6.30PM,**

**IN THE VICTORY HALL, HASKETON**

**Present: Cllrs P. Strugnell, A. McWhirter, S. Batley, P. Hunter, A. Nightingale, I. Whyte, Parish Clerk Mrs I Clark. County Cllr P. Bellfield; Residents Mrs J Good, Mr J Sayer.**

- 1. Meeting open and welcome:** Cllr P. Strugnell welcomed all attending and reminded them of fire exits and that filming of the procedures may take place.
- 2. Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Sammie Wells (undertaking A Level exams), District Cllr Colin Hedgley (meeting for new officers as SCDC Melton) & PC Marie Wells (on operational duties).
- 3. Minutes of Last Annual Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> May 2014 .** These had been circulated electronically and were taken as read, and were unanimously approved.
- 4. Chairman's Report & Finance:** The Chairman P. Strugnell read out his report of last year's activities of the parish council, as attached. Cllr A. McWhirter proposed and P. Hunt seconded that they be approved and all agreed.
- 5. Report from District/County Councillor, Mr Peter Bellfield:** Mr Bellfield had previously electronically circulated his full report, but highlighted a few issues: His problems of ill health during past year were now thankfully resolved. He noted the huge debt of gratitude and thanks he owed to the NHS, both all the hospital staff his own GP, and was looking forward to fully resuming his duties as County Councillor.
- 6. Comments/Questions from Hasketon Parishioners:** Resident Mr Sayer queried why 47% of permanent staff had been let go, but there appeared to be some funds remaining in hand and whether it would not have been better to pay for more staff. Mr Bellfield clarified that the unused budget only referred to the Highways budget, which was underspent due to operational problems, and was nothing to do with staff budgets.
- 7. Close:** There being no other business, the meeting **closed at 7pm.**

The Annual Parish Council Meeting followed immediately afterwards.

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