

**Draft Minutes Clyffe Pypard Parish Council  
Annual Parish Meeting**

**Held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018 7.30pm at Bushton Village Hall**

**Those Present:** Cllr Gantlett (PG) (Chair), Cllr Kent (MK), Cllr Rickett (GR), Cllr Greenway (RG), County Cllr Bucknell (AB), D. Zeitzen (DZ) (Clerk),

**Members of the Public-** 12

**AGENDA**

1. **Apologies for absence** – Cllr Lake (JL), Cllr Clarke(GC),
2. **Minutes of Meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 to be approved and signed-** The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were unanimously approved and signed by PG
3. **Chairman's Report (PG)** – Malthouse planning application is still ongoing. The Neighbourhood Plan (NHP) is also ongoing, it takes a long time to get a NHP made but we will keep persevering. Huge thanks to JL who has done the accounts all the years I have been acting clerk. We have recently appointed a new clerk DZ. Also thanks to AB for all her help and support.
4. **Village Hall Management Committee Report (Paul Greenway)** Bookings for this last year have been very encouraging. Perspective users of the hall are very impressed with the new facilities and car park. Many thanks to Barbara and Anita, who have achieved a grant of nearly £10K. A lot of work went into negotiating with all, arranging the finances and choosing the new kitchen. There is approx £6K left in the kitty, with a few other jobs to be done. Thanks to Andrew Freeston for the replacement Hornbeam tree. Finally thanks to all who have been involved with the village hall.  
(PG) The village hall now has free wi-fi available. It will be password controlled in the future and use will be subject to agreed terms and conditions.
5. **W.I. Report (Sally Fox)** Thank you for asking the WI to contribute to this evening. Although our WI has a comparatively small membership, we draw it from the 2 villages of Clyffe Pypard and Bushton, with members from Preston, Royal Wootton Bassett and other local areas. We have a busy year with 12 monthly meetings, mostly held in this hall, as well as skittles matches, activities and visits further afield. 3 of our members are active on county Federation committees. The WI nationally proposes and discusses resolutions of importance each year. This year's resolution is for better mental treatment. In Bushton and Clyffe Pypard we hold 2 Big Breakfasts in February or March and November and the produce show in September, all wonderfully well supported. I would like to thank the Parish Council for the grant which covers the hall rental for the produce show. This enables us to concentrate on paying for judges, award cards and other expenses. We are grateful for the use of this hall and appreciate the effort put into maintaining it.
6. **PCC Report (Rev Rachma Abbott)** A really big thank you to all who were involved in, (more than 25% of the village ) and supported the annual plant fair. It's the most significant fundraiser for the Church. This year's event in great weather has raised approx £7K. The Church annual meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> March was not so well attended but this may have been due to the bad weather. A big thank you to John Baker and his involvement in the Living Churchyard Project, which sees a part of the churchyard roped off for wild flowers. Most of the funds raised at the plant fair will go towards the long term sustainability of the church with work on reducing the general drainage. The church belongs to the people who live in and work in the area.

- 7. Spackman Trust Report** – This is to follow at the Spackman Trust AGM directly after the Annual Parish Council meeting. If anyone is interested on becoming a member of the Spackman Trust please contact one of the trustees. New members are urgently required.
- 8. Neighbourhood Plan Report (GR, PG)** The steering group consists of 3 parish council members and residents. If anyone would like to join the steering group please contact PG. There are 14 stages to be completed before the NHP is made. The housing needs survey is being analysed at present. A report by GR was included in the last parish newsletter

**Close of Annual Parish Meeting followed by Annual Parish Council Meeting.**

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