

SOUTH KYME VILLAGE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 30 April 2017 at 1500hrs – 35 village residents present.

- 1 **CHAIRMAN** Cllr Eric Langley opened the meeting pointing out that, although this was not a Parish Council meeting, as Chairman of the Parish Council he must take the chair. There being no formal agenda the Chairman opened the meeting to the floor.
- 2 **HECKINGTON FEN WIND FARM** It was noted that the Section 36 application refused by NKDC had been referred to the Secretary of State. Objections had been submitted and responses awaited.
- 3 **PARISH PLAN** The Chairman outlined the process of formulating a Parish Plan and requested volunteers to form a working group with a view to a first draft within 12 months.
- 4 **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES** Two vacancies for Parish Councillors exist and if no election is called within the legal framework the Council would be in a position to co-opt new Members at its next meeting on 18 May.
- 5 **FINANCIAL CONSTRAINTS** Parish Council revenue from grants and service agreements will be severely curtailed and it had been found necessary to increase the Council Tax precept by 10% for the forthcoming financial year.
- 6 **SOUTH KYME FESTIVAL** Turnout had been disappointing for various reasons and the mediaeval banquet had been cancelled through lack of support and a clash with a Golf Club function. There was a call for new ideas/dates for the event and perhaps a liaison committee of all village organisations. One suggestion was for a maypole dance.
- 7 **CHILDRENS' PLAY AREA** This had been discussed at last year's meeting and referred to the Parish Council which had established that there were limited opportunities for establishing an area of land or volunteers from parents to become involved in running a scheme. Nevertheless the Parish Council had liaised with the Village Hall Committee but no concrete proposals had been presented to date. A number of people present expressed their interest in the project and it was hoped that a committee, which the Parish Council chairman would support, could be formed to progress things.
- 8 **VILLAGE TIDY GROUP** The work of the Tidy Group was commented on and a vote of thanks proposed for the standards in which the village environment is kept. The Group meets on the last Saturday of the month and volunteers are always welcome.
- 9 **FACEBOOK** The advantages for the village of the Parish Council having a Facebook account were discussed and this will be referred to the next meeting of the Council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING to be arranged

The meeting closed at 1550hrs

Signed.....Chairman