

2011 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This was held on Monday 16th May at 7.30p.m. in the village hall with clerk, John Smith, in the chair (as the retiring chairman was not present and the vice chairman had stepped down).

Present was all the new council, except Frank James, being councillors Maureen & Martin Ankrett, Bent, Chadd, Cossey, Green, Kirkpatrick, Mulley, Pegg & Weston, together with district councillor Pauline Allen and six members of the public.

Julian Green was nominated to chair this meeting by Reg Kirkpatrick, 2nd by Maureen Ankrett and with no other nominations unanimously elected.

Minutes of the 2010 annual parish meeting were confirmed and signed.

Business arising mainly covered in the year but it was noted that the possible pollution with Dam properties had finally been resolved all but for two. Affordable Housing very shortly to be commenced and St. Anne's problems resolved.

The clerk summarised the year's activities in Frank James absence.

Council accounts for year 1/4/10-31/3/11 , available to everyone, brought no comments.

Ditchingham United Charities chairman, Keith Weston, elaborated on Trust affairs and was able to report another successful year for those benefiting from Grants with no applicants being refused.

Pauline Allen accepted the invitation to go into the whole question as to how and why a Parish Plan would be beneficial and the benefit of making it a Ward plan with the adjacent villages of Broome, Hedenham and Thwaite involved. This was well received and with this matter on the annual parish council meeting agenda decisions could then be made on the best way to proceed.

At this point the clerk pointed out that that Julian Green should now call for a chairman to open that meeting and councillors unanimously requested that he do so.

The meeting closed at 8.05 p.m.