

# Duffield Parish Council

## Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at the Weston Centre, Duffield on Tuesday 26th April 2005 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors Storer (Chairman of the Parish Council), Buckle, England, Fletcher, Rice, Sartin, Woodings, and Woodings.

In Attendance: Mr D R Bostock (Parish Clerk), Mrs S Bygraves (Assistant Clerk / Treasurer) and 10 members of the public.

Mrs S Bygraves was appointed as Clerk to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Councillors Carmichael-Smith, Hibbert, Knibbs, and Rowlands.

The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on 27 April 2004 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. The matters arising were as follows:

- a) Following the rejection of the Parish Councils application to make the path behind the Kings Head a public footpath, the publican had closed the path on 1<sup>st</sup> April between 11pm and 11am. The Parish Clerk would investigate if a twelve hour closure would be sufficient to claim closure under the law. He would also investigate evidence from the environment agencies to establish if any further appeal to designate the footpath would be possible.

#### 4. Chairmans Report

Councillor Storer gave his report as follows:

The Annual Parish Meeting gives Councillors the opportunity to hear directly from Parishioners about concerns and issues that are important to them as well as allowing the Parish Council the opportunity to explain what work the Council has done over the last twelve months and what its plans are for the coming year.

The Parish Council has met twelve times during the past twelve months. The Committee structure has remained the same as in previous years namely, Finance and General Purpose, Open Spaces, Cemetery and Footpath with each of these Committees meeting three times in the year. Altogether there have been 27 meetings including the Annual and Parish meeting.

In addition to their duties with the Parish Council, several Councillors have served on outside bodies on behalf of the Parish Council and these were:

The William Gilbert Endowed School  
The Meadows Primary School  
The Ecclesbourne School  
The Parish Hall Management Committee  
The Parish Plan Steering Committee  
The RJ Weston Charity Trust

