

Duffield Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at the Weston Centre, Duffield on Tuesday 29th April 2003 at 7.30pm.

Present: Councillors England (Chairman of the Parish Council), Hancock, Rowlands, Sartin, Storer and Woodings.

In Attendance: Mr D R Bostock (Parish Clerk), Mrs A Riley (Treasurer), Mrs S Bygraves (Assistant Clerk / Treasurer) and 9 members of the public.

1. Mr D R Bostock was appointed as Clerk to the meeting.
2. Apologies were received from Councillors Buckle, Fletcher, Knibbs and Minion.
3. The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on 23 April 2002 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. The matters arising were as follows:
 - a) Earlier public access to the Annual Parish Meeting agendas and minutes would be appreciated – Minutes are lodged in the library, the agenda has been widely circulated, advertised on the notice boards and published in the recent newsletter.
 - b) Progress with the proposed Village Design Statement was requested – it was confirmed that a Parish Plan Steering Group had now been established.
 - f) Mr S Scott requested that Borough Council Engineers be invited to speak to a future Parish Council Meeting, regarding the drainage infrastructure maintenance and flooding problems in the Duffield area – it was confirmed that the Borough Council Engineers had attended the Parish Council.
 - g) The Clerk was requested to check if the accounts of organisations such as Scouts, Girl Guides and WI should be presented to the Annual Parish Meeting – it was confirmed that these organisations were not Charities in the strict sense of the word and therefore not required to present their accounts.
 - h) A perceived lack of communication between the Parish Council and the Parishioners was discussed – the introduction of the newsletter and the proposed web site should address the matter.
 - i) It was suggested that Parish Council Meetings should be held at the Weston Centre – this proposal was rejected by the Parish Council last year.
 - j) The provision of a Newsletter in the Duffield Scene and a dedicated Web Site was suggested – this proposal has been activated.

