

# CHILTON FOLIAT PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 14 MAY 2013 at 7.30 pm

**Present:** Nic Coome (Chairman), Jim Hynes, Paul Outridge, Sian Stokoe,  
James Sheppard (County Councillor) and Graham Francis (Clerk)

**1 Apologies:** Victoria Waters.

**2 Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 8 May 2012**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting having been circulated were taken as a true record, approved and signed by the Chairman.

**3 Matters arising from the minutes:**

There were no matters arising.

**4 Chairman's Report:**

The Chairman reported that this was his tenth report and that some issues from previous years were still with us. The Public House (The Wheatsheaf) has once again experienced a rapid turnover of landlords and that such instability remained a concern. The issue of the Recreation Ground remains and the situation is somewhat constrained as the County Local Plan (the Core Strategy) has still not been approved.

Traffic problems through the village are at a fairly low level but the surface of the road is a constant concern but has been recognised as a hazard by the County Highway Engineers. During the year two very worthy Councillors were co-opted and it is pleasing that they have both sort re-election.

The Chairman extended sincere thanks for all that the outgoing County Councillor, Chris Humphries had done for the Council over many years and he welcomed the new Councillor, James Sheppard whom he hoped would give the same service as his predecessor.

Nic Coome concluded his report by thanking all Councillors for their hard work and commitment. He also thanked Graham Francis, the Clerk, for his support and commitment to the Parish Council.

**5 Financial Report:**

The Clerk spoke to the unaudited statements of accounts circulated showing that the sum of £1,847.93 had been carried forward at March 31<sup>st</sup> considerably less than last year as capital spending on the new Skate Park had depleted funds. Income from the Precept, Bank Interest and VAT recovery amounted to £7,404.62 and payments were £10,291.79. A refund of £871.55 has been reclaimed in respect of VAT for the year 2012/2013.

**6 Reports from Village Organisations:**

Paul Outridge reported on behalf of the **Village Hall Committee** and said that there had been a marked improvement in bookings over the year and there are now regular weekday activities. A Grant of £9,700 had been obtained which together with £3,000 from the 100 Club meant that the refurbishment of the kitchen could go ahead. This would be improvement to the existing kitchen area but would not involve any structural alterations.

**7 Public Forum:** There were no members of the public present.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 19.50