

Yarlington Annual Parish Meeting

A meeting of the Parishioners

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting

Held on Wednesday 24th April 2024 at 7pm in

Yarlington Village Hall, BA22 7DG

The Chairman of the Parish Council (PC), Diane Rickers, opened the meeting, which was attended by seventeen members of the public and ten parish councillors.

1. **Minutes of Yarlington Parish Meeting held on 26th April 2023** were received and confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman

2. **Reports from the Parish Council (PC)**

a. Chairman's Report. The Chairman of the PC gave her report, which is included at attachment 1.

b. Parish Clerk to present the Accounts for the year 31st March 2024 (unaudited). Copies of the Draft Receipts and Payments Accounts were distributed for information with comment by the Clerk. The PC Accounts will be formally adopted in May upon completion of the audit.

3. **Report from Zoe Young, Community Liaison Officer for The Newt and Emily Estate:**

- Pound Lane. We've met with the tarmac contractor to initiate the work and they've given a for week timeline. When I can, I'll confirm a date.
- Wheelwrights Renovation. Due to start in June with a 6 month target. To be used as workshop space.
- A359 Bridge. End of June is the target to finish and open the bridge including the public access.
- Farming Wildlife Advisory Group (FWAG). I will be meeting with FWAG next week to discuss flood prevention initiatives and land management processes.
- Stags Head. The Estate have approached the Stags Head and a valuation was being carried out.
- Trout Ponds. At the request of residents, Zoe would ask for an update to be sent by email. Parish Cllr Maria Viney had been advised that work would commence once it was dry and work would take four to six weeks.

4. **Reports from Somerset Council:** Cllrs Hobhouse and Messenger were not in attendance.

5. **Reports from Local Groups and Organisations**

a. Yarlington Village Hall. Chairman of the Hall, Andy Keeley, gave his report, which is included at attachment 2.

b. Cllr Maria Viney read out the report from Clare Leavold on behalf of St Mary's Yarlington Church, which is included at attachment 3.

c. Yarlington Parish Cllr Maria Viney gave her report, which is included at attachment 4.

6. Open Public Parish Forum

a. A resident asked when the potholes in West Street would be repaired as they were reported in March at the same time as the potholes on Frog Lane, Galhampton, which were filled within two days. Parish Cllr John Rundle reported that he had recently spoken to Mr John Nicholson, Somerset Highways who explained that there had been a lot of sickness within the crews responsible for road repairs. However, West Street had been surveyed on 13th April and would be repaired within 28 days of the survey.

b. Residents expressed their gratitude to Cllr Maria Viney, as the only resident from Yarlington on the PC, for all her efforts on behalf of the parish of Yarlington, especially over the last couple of years, which was applauded by residents and councillors. Cllr Viney thanked the residents and was very grateful to Yarlington resident Clare Leavold who was co-opted on to the Council in April.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.50m and the ordinary meeting of the PC followed.

Signed
Chairman

Dated