**PARISH OF TILBROOK**

**MINUTES** of the Annual parish Meeting held on Wednesday 11 May 2016 in the Village Hall, Church Lane, Tilbrook, commencing at 7.30 pm.

**PRESENT** Parish Councillor Charles Paull (in the Chair); Parish Councillors Mrs Jane Pilcher and K Gutteridge; County Councillor P Downes and three members of the public.

C L Thatcher recorded the minutes.

**APOLOGIES** were received from Parish Councillor Mrs Christine Rowland and District Councillor Jonathan Gray.

**MINUTES** of the 2015 Annual Parish Meeting were read, confirmed and signed as a true record of that meeting.

**MATTERS ARISING** Councillor Gutteridge commented on the report of the Amenities Committee which referred to the lettings of the Hall being considerably down. The Chairman confirmed this and said that the refurbishment had now been completed.

**POLICE REPORT** has not been received.

**ANNUAL REPORTS OF PARISH ORGANISATIONS.**

1. Amenities Committee. Councillor Charles Paull, Chairman of the Amenities Committee presented his report, a copy of which is attached to the original of these minutes.
2. All Saints Church, Tilbrook. Mrs Pauline Swinden provided a report on the church activities and a copy of this is attached to the original of these minutes.
3. Tilbrook Women’s Group. Mrs Swinden also kindly gave a report on the Group, which continues to thrive and undertakes social meetings and visits throughout the year.

**PARISH COUNCIL REPORT**

Councillor Charles Paull, Chairman of the Parish Council, presented his annual report and a copy of this is attached to the original of these minutes.

**REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Downes had, unfortunately, been delayed, but he had produced a report which he had delivered to all properties in the parish. This was summarised and a copy is attached to the original of these minutes.

**REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Gray had sent his apologies but he had provided his report and this is attached to the original of these minutes.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Mr Tony McClenaghan referred to last year’s police report and its reference to the intention to conduct speed checks on the High Street. He said that there was no evidence of that having been done and a lot of people ignore the speed limit.

*Councillor Peter Downes arrived at this point.* He announced that it was not his intention to seek re-election at the next County Council elections. The Chairman thanked Councillor Downes for his 12 years’ of service and for all the effort he had put into the job, in attending virtually every Parish Council meeting and in keeping residents posted on County Council matters. He will be missed.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 10 May 2017 at the Village Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2030 hours.