

PARISH OF ODCOMBE

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 18th APRIL 2016 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, ODCOMBE (8.00 p.m. – 8.15 p.m.)

Present: Mrs D Rennie (Chairman of the Parish Council)
8 residents of the parish
Mrs E James (Clerk to the Parish Council)

1. Apologies for absence

An apology for absence was received from Mrs B Langdon.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 20th April 2015

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th April 2015 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. Annual Report of the Parish Council

The Chairman presented her report to the Parish. The Parish Council had met every month for the past year and had welcomed two additional members, Mr R Parr and Mr D Peters to the Council. Mrs Langdon had been awarded the Somerset County Council's Award for Service in 2015. The Village Design statement had been revised and Historic England had listed the War Memorial. A spring boat has been added to the play area and a defibrillator has been supplied by the British Heart Foundation. The Council was working with the County Council on a Small Improvement Scheme to improve the safety of pedestrians in Old Road between Ham Hill Road and the Village Hall entrance. The incursion of travellers onto the playing field had resulted in considerable additional cost to the Parish Council. The Chairman advised that the precept had been increased only to cover the reduction in a grant received from the District Council.

The Chairman thanked the District Councillors, Cathy Bakewell and Gina Seaton, for their support during the year.

4. Open Session

The Rev. Annie Gurner, Associate Vicar for Odcombe and Montacute introduced herself to the Parish Council. She gave details of her work within the Parish and advised that she was liaising with the Village Estate.

5. Date of next Annual Parish Meeting

Due to the Easter holiday, the next meeting of the parish will take place on 24th April 2017