

Minutes of the Winterborne St Martin Annual Parish Meeting held in the Parish Office, Martinstown on Monday 12th May 2003.

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm. 11 members of the Parish present.

1. MINUTES.

The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held in the Parish Office, Martinstown on Monday 22nd May 2002 were read. The proposition of Mrs M. Hearing that these minutes be signed as a true and correct record was seconded by Mr M. Clarke and on being put to the meeting were approved as a true and correct record. The minutes were duly signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

There were no matters arising.

3. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

The Clerk read a prepared report on the activities of the Parish Council since the last annual Parish Meeting. During the year the Play Area at the Village Hall had been refurbished and formally opened and was being well used. The speed limit on the C53 had been reduced to 30mph and extended to Clandon as a 40mph. Speeding of vehicles was still a problem. Repairs to the surface of the village green were still being progressed. A trickle of sales of the Book of Martinstown continued but there were a few left to sell. Aspects of flooding and measures and actions to minimise future flooding had been considered and the matter was on going. Planning applications had been commented on in the usual manner.

4. AUDIT OF PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS.

The HLB AV Audit Service was auditing the Parish Council Accounts for the year ended March 2002.

5. REPORT OF THE BLANCHARD TRUST.

Mr R. Browning reported on this subject and was pleased to welcome Mr P. Jeffery and Mrs S. Godding as the parish council representatives on the Trust. Funding had been given to help refurbish the village hall play area and villagers in need had been helped. There would be a concert in the village hall on 12th July to raise funds for the Trust.

6. REPORTS FROM VILLAGE GROUPS.

Verbal reports were received from representatives of organisations in the village. Mr Rickard reported on the Artsreach productions being held on a regular basis in the village to which all parishioners would be welcome. There appeared at times to be more non-villagers at these events. The hall was generally very well used. Mrs Hearing said that the Garden and Craft club had about 60 members & was in a healthy state. The Martinstown WI would be pleased to have more members to supplement the present 30. The Mileaters had a two week-away walking holiday which had been successful and the group continued to have regular walks in the area which were well supported. Mr M. Clarke reported that the MCC under 11's and under 13's teams were doing well and Friday evening practices were very busy. The pitch had been relaid together with an additional net area. A fete to raise funds for Cancer Research UK would be held at the cricket field on August Bank holiday Monday. Mr I. Gibson said that the Church had a Sunday School and a Thursday Toddler Group. Bell ringing was on the up and a choir of 10 members was now active. Mrs Hearing advised that the Village Hall 100 club was still going and provided funds for the village hall. Three prizes per month were paid.

7. OTHER MATTERS RAISED.

1. Skateboarding at Village Hall car park.
2. Trees on fire at Village Hall.
3. Signs on the C53.
4. Sign at Bats Lane.
5. Speed cameras and Traffic Calming.

These matters were noted and where applicable will be dealt with by the Parish Council.

8. TIDY VILLAGE COMPETITION.

An entry had again been made into this competition and as usual all members of the Parish were urged to make special effort to keep the village tidy and free of litter.

9. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting concluded at 8.22 pm

..... Chairman.

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