

**COTHERSTONE PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
FOR YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2015**

Held at 7.00pm on Wednesday 13th May 2015

Present: Cllrs- Chairman- R Hunter. Vice Chairman- J Birkett J Watson. A Thorn.
D Rabbitts. J Gill. K Harrow.

B Thwaites.clerk. and Three members of the Public were in attendance.

1.Apologies for absence- none.

2. Declarations of interest JW . DR. BT clerk. –Greens and Cemetery.

3. Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting

The minutes were agreed unanimously and signed by the Chairman at the June Meeting.

4. Chairman's report Cllr Hunter presented his report on the year, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. Many thanks to all my fellow councillors and clerk for their work throughout a very busy year. A copy will be sent for inclusion in the August addition of "Our Cotherstone"

5. Annual Accounts

The Clerk presented the accounts. No charge had been made by HLB AV Audit plc.for the 2014. A copy of the accounts are attached to these minutes. It was unanimously agreed that the accounts be approved subject to audit. Chairman to sign

Cllrs agreed that Mr C Butler should again undertake the internal audit, prior to the main audit which will be carried out in August by HLB AV Audit plc who are selected by DCC

6. Review of Standing Orders. Current S/ Orders-reviewed for approval at the June Meeting.

7, The chairman invited members of the Public to raise any questions of concern

a. Planning Permission of Barn behind the Poplars –DM/15/00181/FPA –even after objections from numerous residents and a petition of over 200 names , this application was approved under Delegated Powers by Durham Planning Authority. The chair pointed out that the detailed Planning Authority report on Planning website covered all aspects of the proposals conformity to individual policies both historical under Teesdale District and current under Durham Planning Authority.

b. Concerns, were raised on difficulty on accessing the Planning Website, the chair explained that much more user friendly if you had the Planning Reference Number, agreed that we would display Planning ref numbers on the Parish Website .

No other questions were raise

The Chairman closed the AGM 7.45pm.

signed:



J BIRKETT

VICE CHAIRMAN