

# CARDINHAM PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**Held in Cardinham Parish Hall on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7:30pm**

**Present:** Councillors G Tucker (Chair), L Sutton, R Farley, P Claridge, K Morris, T Irwin, A Bonker, County Cllr J Cruse, J Wilson (clerk & minute taker). 15 Parishioners

**Speakers:** Wayne Thomas from Caradon Observatory

Ana Jackson, Local Paramedic

Cllr Greg Tucker welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending this evening's meeting.

### **Apologies**

Cllr J Best, Cllr R Dyer, Cllr G Rogers, Mr M Pidcock.

### **Declaration of Interests**

None.

### **Minutes from the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023**

The minutes from the Annual Parish meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 were accepted and approved by all. The Chair signed the approved minutes.

### **Matters arising from the minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023**

None.

### **Speaker: Wayne Thomas from Caradon Observatory speaking about Dark Skies.**

Mr Thomas began by giving the background on how Bodmin Moor got International Dark Sky status and why Bodmin was given this status. There are 19 Dark Sky places in the UK with 2 being in Cornwall – Bodmin Moor and West Penwith.

Caradon Observatory operates Education and Outreach groups, usually starting in September and running over the winter – Google Caradon Observatory to find out about future events.

Light pollution can have detrimental effects that are wide ranging: wildlife, human health, climate change, financial loss, astronomy and social effects. Education is the best way to try and reduce the amount of light pollution.

Mr Thomas went on to show some of the amazing pictures of space, stars and galaxies, and encouraged everyone to think about the adverse impact of light pollution – hoping the future is dark!

Cllr Tucker thanked him for an inspiring and engaging talk and Mr Thomas then left the meeting.

### **Speaker: Ana Jackson from Cornwall Ambulance Service**

Ms Jackson is a paramedic and lives locally in Cardinham Parish. She has given several talks and held training sessions in the parish on how to use defibrillators. This evening, she began by speaking about the defibrillator and how to use it. She went on to explain what to do in an

emergency when someone is not breathing and how to properly carry out CPR. She then demonstrated this on a dummy. Note that it is important to ring 999 in an emergency and give your location. Priority is phone, then CPR, then defibrillator.

Cllr Tucker thanked Ms Jackson for a very thorough and informative talk and demonstration.

### **Chair's Annual Report**

Cllr Greg Tucker read out the report from the Chair, Cllr Julie Best, who unfortunately was unable to attend this evening. This report is attached at the end of these minutes.

### **County Councillor's Annual Report**

Cllr Cruse thanked everyone for coming and mentioned that our thoughts are with Cllr Julie Best who is currently unwell.

Cllr Cruse then read out her report. A copy of the report is attached at the end of these minutes.

The Chair thanked Cllr Cruse for her attendance and support throughout the year.

### **Finance Report – Clerk/RFO**

The clerk had prepared a summary of the year's finances which she read out at the meeting.

### **Any Other Reports Relevant to this Meeting**

None.

### **Parish Matters**

The slip and slide application was mentioned and this will likely be raised again when the application comes before the Parish Council for consideration.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 9:14pm.

Chairman:

Date: 24/04/2025