

Annual Parish Meeting Minutes for Bergh Apton 15th May 2024 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Bergh Apton Parish Council Chairman, Cllr. Steven Whitby, presided over the meeting and the following Councillors were present: Janet Skedge, Hugh Porter, Ian Ratcliffe, Guy Warde-Aldam

In attendance: 12 members of the public.

1. Chairman's welcome

Cllr. Steven Whitby warmly welcomed members of the public and local organisations.

2. Apologies for absence

Cllr. Steven Mitchel, Cllr. John Fuller, Cllr. Kay Mason Billig, Representatives from Community Arts Trust, Local History Group, Sue Bewick and Anna Guy.

3. To approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 19th April 2023

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

4. To receive reports from community representatives and organisations

4.1. Bergh Apton Parish Council

The report was presented by Cllr. Steven Whitby.

4.2. County Councillor for Loddon Division

The report from Kay Mason-Billig was presented by the Chair.

4.3. District Councillor for Brooke Ward

No report was received. The Chairman noted John's recent peerage and resignation from Chair of SNDC (but not our local District Councillor)

4.4. Bergh Apton Village Hall Management Committee

The report was presented by Hilary Ling.

4.5. Alpington and Bergh Apton C of E VA Primary School

No report received.

4.6. Community Speedwatch Team

The report was summarised by the Chair.

4.7. Bergh Apton Community Arts Trust

The report was summarised by the Chair.

4.8. Bergh Apton Conservation Trust

No report received, however a brief update on grant funding from John Fuller and the success of the conservation grazing was noted by the Chairman.

4.9. Bergh Apton District Society

No report received.

4.10. Bergh Apton Local History Group

A brief summary of activity and events was provided by Lorie Lain-Rogers.

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4.11. Bergh Apton Newsletter

The report was presented by Jenny Lovatt.

4.12. Bergh Apton Village Fête Committee

No formal report was submitted however Shirley Rimmer provided an update noting that the 2024 event was 13th July and the next planning event was Wed 22nd May at the Village Hall 19:00 start.

4.13. Bergh Apton Website

A brief report was presented by Steve Whitby.

4.14. Bergh Apton Parochial Church Council

The report was presented by Shirley Rimmer.

4.15. Byrus Youth Group

A report of Parish youth support activity was provided by Lorie Lain-Rogers

4.16. The Christopher Tenwinter Charity

The report was presented by Jo Dembicki.

4.17. The Bergh Apton Parish Charities

The report was presented by Kevin Parfitt

5. Public opportunity for questions to Councillors

Open discussions covered traffic safety, notably on Church Road.