

## DAMERHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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### **Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall**

The Vice Chairman welcomed parishioners to the meeting and proposed a sincere vote of thanks to Phil Tandy and Bob Gilbey for the tremendous amount of work they had put in on the council and on behalf of the community.

#### **1. Election of Chairman**

David Crane was unanimously elected as the Chairman of the Damerham Parish Council.

Proposed: Glynn Perrens

Seconded: Mrs Suzanne Musker

#### **2. Election of Vice Chairman**

No councillor had put their name forward as Vice Chair and this position was left vacant.

It was resolved that elections for the Chair and Vice Chair should be conducted as follows: The clerk to notify councillors of the opportunity to self nominate two weeks before each Annual Parish Meeting. Names would then be sent out by the clerk to all councillors with the agenda one week before the meeting. Further names would not be put forward at the meeting itself. It was agreed that this procedure should be added to the Standing Orders of the Council.

#### **3. Appointment of Parish Footpaths Officer**

Mrs Ros Jones was happy to continue in this post and unanimously elected

Proposed: Barry Vincent

Seconded: Mrs Suzanne Musker

#### **4. Appointment of Parish Watercourses Officer**

The Chairman, David Crane said that he had wondered if the Parish Watercourses Officer wanted to continue in his post and if such a post was needed going forward. It was agreed that the Chairman should ask Spinney Adlam if he wanted to continue and if he did; then the role would continue and he would be asked if he would find it possible to prepare a report along the same lines of that prepared by the Footpaths Officer

#### **5. Appointment of Parish Transport and Traffic representative**

Barry Vincent was happy to continue in this position but said that he could not be the spokesperson for the newly advertised bus service. It was understood that there were now two busses serving the village. BV was unanimously elected.

Proposed: Pete Doherty

Seconded: Glynn Perrens

Other roles were decided as follows:

Police Liaison officer – Glynn Perrens

Parish Hall Liaison officer – Cathy Godber

#### **6. Dates & times of Ordinary Meetings of the Parish Council for the ensuing year**

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These were agreed to continue on a bi-monthly basis. The possibility of changing the day of the week was discussed. Should the days remain the same the dates would be:

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 following the Annual Parish Assembly

Alternate months dates would be kept as additional meetings should the need arise to call a meeting to discuss Planning Applications

***Action: the clerk to investigate the availability of the Hall for the first or, possibly, fourth, Mondays.***

*This meeting was followed immediately by a meeting of the Parish Council.*