

OTTERHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

on
THURSDAY 6 MAY 2021, 6.30pm on Zoom

PRESENT:

Julie Evans (Chair), Bob Birkenhead (Vice-Chair), Marie Beckley, Andy Darch, Tina Gardener, Lindsey Parsons, Rachel Perrett, Aly Prowse (Clerk) Ward Cllr Julie Pay and 4 members of the public.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence were received from Ward Cllr. Mike Caswell.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY HELD ON 9.5.19:

The minutes of the Annual Assembly held on 9.5.19 were approved and signed by the Chair. It was noted that there was no Annual Assembly in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

J Evans presented her report which covered the past two years. The full report is appended to these minutes and will be placed on the notice boards, www.combwich.org.uk website and in May's Otter Tales.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS:

1. The Clerk presented the annual accounts to 31.3.21. There is very little difference from the balance brought forward figure from 1.4.20 of £39.6k to the balance carried forward at 31.3.21 of £38.8k. Consistent income and expenditure figures during the year; £32k and £33k respectively, shows we are "living within our means". We sensibly set aside expenditure (Reserves) each year to pay for things we know will be required in the future such as play area refurbishment and Combwich track maintenance. There is currently £21k in Reserves. The Precept has remained at £26k since 2019/20.
2. Detailed accounts with an explanation of variances have been circulated to councillors and will be placed on the notice boards and the Combwich.org.uk website.
3. There were no questions. The Clerk will be very happy to answer any queries residents may have on any aspect of the parish council finances and supply an on-line copy of the accounts if requested.

PUBLIC SESSION:

M Beckley advised that a boat had sunk in the Pill. The boat club has sought advice from the Harbour Master and has decided to remove the boat to the saltings.

The meeting ended at 6.55pm

Signed:
(Chairman)

Date: