

BRANDON PARVA, COSTON, RUNHALL & WELBORNE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING - MINUTES

Wednesday 13 April 2022, 7:30pm at Welborne Village Hall.

Present.

Parish Councillors – Simon Guest (chair), Clare Kay and Andrew Egerton-Smith along with the clerk, Bev Long. Also present was District Councillor Richard Elliott.

Organisations present – Runhall Recreation Ground – Bev Long and Runhall Community Group – Deborah Bourassa.

1. Welcome, Introductions and apologies for absence

Simon Guest as Chair of Brandon Parva, Coston, Runhall & Welborne Parish Council welcomed everyone to the meeting. Simon briefly explained the reason for a parish meeting along with the format of the evening – which was conducted on zoom.

Apologies were received from Caroline Blacklock – Runhall Community Group, Rev Tim Weatherstone, Hilary Hodges, Andrew Jewson – Runhall Church, Tony Chapman – Mattishall Primary School, Mattishall Surgery, Andy Maule – Welborne Village Hall, parish councillors – Mike Webb, Peter Wood, County councillor – Margaret Dewsbury

2. Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting – 14 April 2021

The minutes of the 2021 meeting were signed by the chair as a correct record of the meeting without amendment.

3. Report by the Parish Council

Simon Guest as Chair of the Parish Council outlined some aspects of his report;

- ❖ Life dominated by covid but much better now face to face meetings are allowed. Great support given to each other.
- ❖ Highways – pot holes okay, ditches still an issue along with flooding in Welborne.
- ❖ Planning – less activity with nothing particularly controversial.
- ❖ Flooding – nothing significant since 2020 - not in a priority area.
- ❖ PROV's - more active with most being in a reasonable condition.
- ❖ Litter – no warden at present in Brandon Parva, generally most areas are okay.
- ❖ Amenities – well used.
- ❖ Budget – no increase in precept for last 2 years.

Simon thanked Bev Long the clerk for her support and work for the council, fellow councillors, Margaret Dewsbury and Richard Elliott for their great support and attendance at our parish council meetings and all the Parish Groups for their hard work.

The full report is an appendix to these minutes.

4. Reports from parish organisations, county and district councillors, other bodies

Richard Elliott, District Cllr whose full report is an appendix to these minutes spoke about; dominated by Covid and Ukraine – welcoming refugees. Financial Help paid through Covid 19 hardship fund, businesses also supported. Meetings getting back to normal with the financial situation fairly strong due to good management of funds. Future – ambitious plans for the future – investment in environmental projects. Richard was thanked by Simon for his report and continued help to the Parish Council.

Deborah Bourassa, Runhall Community Group – New group with Rachel Prentice as chair – concentrating on supporting trustees with the Play Area and doing more for the community. Will be conducting a survey to find out what people in the parish would like. 13 people attended the recent AGM and they are now starting to fundraise after the ‘covid break’.

Simon gave a brief resume of some of the other reports received – Runhall Church, Mattishall Primary School, County Councillor and Welborne Village Hall – all the reports form part of the appendix to these minutes

5. Open Forum

No further discussion or questions raised.

6. Closing remarks

Simon Guest thanked everyone for attending and to those who had given reports both at the meeting and those submitted electronically. It expressed his pleasure of all the things now starting to open up again in the parish. An open invitation was offered to everyone to attend any future Parish Council meetings.

Written reports from the following bodies form part of these minutes:

- Brandon Parva, Coston, Runhall & Welborne Parish Council Chair
- Runhall Parochial Church Council
- Welborne Village Hall
- Barnham Broom and Upper Yare Group
- Margaret Dewsbury – Norfolk County Councillor
- Runhall Recreation Ground – Allotments

- Runhall Village Community Group
- Richard Elliott – South Norfolk District Councillor
- Mattishall Primary School
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