HILLINGTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Minutes of the Hillington Annual Parish Meeting held at Ffolkes Arms, Hillington on Wednesday 16th March 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present:
Four Parish Councillors
One County Councillor
Ten members of the public

Parish Clerk: Melanie Duggan

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Pat Cox, Jan Nunn and Jonathan Worsley.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 11th MARCH 2015

The Minutes of the meeting of 11th March 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 11th March 2015.

There were no matters arising.

4. REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Chairman highlighted various issues and events from the previous year including the installation of the Vodaphone Open Sure Signal; further Daffodil bulb planting; the removal of ivy from the Medieval Crosses and the opening of Tapping House by H.M. The Queen, which was attended by many villagers. She thanked many people for their efforts and thanked the Ffolkes Arms for allowing the Parish Council to meet there.

5. REPORT BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE P.P.C.

Jan Newell, Treasurer, thanked everyone involved with the Church including the Church Wardens and flower ladies. There is now a First Aid Box in the Church. She thanked the Parish Council for its donation to the up keep of the churchyard but requested that it consider restoring its support from £800 to the previous level of £1000. She outlined Church expenses, which had included a number of repairs. A basket of flowers was given to Jan on behalf of the village for all the work she had done organising H.M. The Queen's visit to the church.

6. REPORT BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF HILLINGTON UNITED CHARITIES

Kate Sayer, Trustee and Administrator, reported that in the last year contributions had been given to some married couples, young people and The Good Companions. Beneficiaries were meant to be people living in Hillington. She said the HUC needed to look beyond their current criteria to ensure support was reaching everyone who needed it.

7. REPORT BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF GOOD COMPANIONS

In the absence of Pat Cox, Secretary, Cllr Terry Kivlin read out a written report, which had been submitted by Pat. Membership is high with between 25 and 34 people at meetings. Outings to Newmarket Stud and a Christmas Show at Cromer Pier had been held. The many events that had been organised included three lunches and a Harvest Tea at the Ffolkes Arms, various speakers attending meetings and two Bingo fundraisers.

8. REPORT BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF TAPPING HOUSE

Jessica Walker, Community Fundraiser, highlighted that the gardens were looking good, a Quiz Night was being held on March 31st and a Spring Fair, which included tours of Tapping House, was being held on April 2nd. A committee was being established to organise an event for The Queen's birthday. All villagers would be invited to the event. Jessica will be representing Tapping House at Parish Council Meetings.

Laura Worsley announced the setting up of a Hillington Friends Of Tapping House Group and asked villagers to let her know if they were interested in joining.

9. OPEN DISCUSSION

There were no matters raised.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.