

FRIENDS OF ESSINGTON

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT St JOHN'S CHURCH HALL, ESSINGTON ON 10TH MAY 2018

Attendees: -

Peter Ward	(PWa)	(Outgoing Chair)
Colin Richards	(CR)	(Outgoing Treasurer)
Wayne Whitehouse	(WW)	(Outgoing Secretary)
Dot Radford	(DR)	(Committee)
Angie Whittle	(AW)	(Committee)
Clem Whittle	(CW)	(Committee)
Tracy Taylor	(TT)	(Committee)
Paul Woolley	(PWo)	(Committee)
Adrian Nicklin	(AN)	(Committee)
Val Homer		
Annette Ward		
Wendy Heath		
Mary White		
Adam Stanley		
Samantha		
Michelle Stanley (First Responder)		
Chris Steel		

Apologies: - Neil Wheeldon, Jan Macey, Freddie Homer, Jon Hanson (all committee)
Anna Hanson, Becky, Gareth and Dave (Hilton Green), Gary Heath, Ann Ross (SSSS), Dave Heywood (SSDC),
Mark Jenkinson, Andrew Aston, Mark Keeling, Marcus Cooper, Stuart Macey, Annette Lloyd, Keith Elder,
Pat Griffin, Stuart and Julie Clews (Diode), Richard Haynes.

Last year's minutes were proposed by CW and seconded by PWa.

Outgoing Chairman's Overview:-

I would like to thank everyone who has helped us during the past 12 months:-

Sponsors for our calendar and the people who purchased them.

Sponsors for our projects (Alvaston Loft Conversions and Ashmore Glass and Mirrors Ltd).

Support from district and county councils, local people supporting our events and all the committee.

Without all your support we would not be able to continue in the way we do.

We enhance our local area, report and discourage fly tipping etc. and try to promote good environmental activities throughout the area.

Now on a sad note we would like to remember with fondness two of our members: Bryn Whitehouse and Peter Grant.

Finally thank you all for coming and supporting us this evening. The annual committee report will be available in the next few weeks.

Outgoing Treasurer's Report:-

The report for this financial year was given out to attendees and it was pointed out that:-

The account is in the black, and there are funds in the account for a specific project within the coming year.

The quiz night's revenue funded the litter picking materials along with donations of equipment from Tarmac and Mann & Hummel making us now almost totally sufficient for future litter picks. The calendar this year was in a different format with more sponsors, this paying for all the groups other outings.

Approval of accounts: - WW and PWa – show of hands unanimous.

The Chair then asked for the Officers and committee to stand down.

Dot Radford's introductory speech leading to the election of the Chair:-

“Good evening everyone. Once again I am here to oversee the election of the Chair. Pete Ward is willing to stand again for the post of Chair so could I have a proposer please? (PWo proposed) and a seconder (AN seconded) and a show of hands from the members for your approval. Unanimous approval.”

PWa asked for nomination of treasurer: Colin Richards is willing to stand again for the position. This was proposed by CW and seconded by AW. Unanimous approval.

Nomination of secretary: Wayne Whitehouse is willing to stand again for the position. This was proposed by TT and seconded by CW. Unanimous approval.

WW thanked DR who is willing to continue to record and distribute the minutes of the meetings and thanked CW and AW who are willing to continue to update our website, Twitter and the Church magazine.

Nomination of the committee: The following members of last year's committee would like to continue: Jan Macey, Adrian Nicklin, Paul Woolley, Jon Hanson, Clem Whittle, Angie Whittle, Fred Homer, Dot Radford, Tracy Taylor and Neil Wheeldon. Unanimous approval.

Nomination of auditors – CR thanked Malcolm Barnett of Barnett and Co. New Road, Willenhall for his continued support and proposed Barnett and Co. as auditors for the coming year- seconded by DR. Unanimous approval.

Any other business:

CR thanked Adam Stanley of Westcroft Fencing for his donation and wished him well for his future in New Zealand.

PWa closed the official part of the meeting and handed over to CW who welcomed and introduced Michelle Stanley of First Responders.

Michelle then gave her presentation which was of great interest to us all stimulating many questions.

CW thanked her for her very informative and lively presentation and gave her a donation on behalf of the Friends of Essington. CW asked everyone to stay for a chat and refreshments.

Date of next meeting:

Thursday 14th June 7.30pm start in Church Hall.