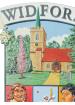
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Widford Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Widford Parish Council Meeting Tuesday 6th May 2025 at 7pm in Widford Village Hall



Clerk/MA

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PRESENT: Cllr Mike Allen (MA); Cllr Ian Collins (IC); Cllr Mark Rome (MR); Eleven members of the public Clerk: Colin Marks, Clerk to the Parish Council **ACTION** The Chairman welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7pm 25.033 **Election of Chairman** It was proposed, seconded, and unanimously RESOLVED: that Mike Allen be elected as Chair for the ensuing year. 25.034 Signing of Declaration of Office Cllr Mike Allen signed the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office. 25.035 Apologies for absence 1. Councillors: Cllr Josh Warren; Cllr Andy Djemal: Work ACCEPTED 2. Others: Cllr Eric Buckmaster 25.036 Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensations 1. Interests: Cllr Ian Collins: has a dispensation regarding the closed Churchyard due to his wife having the maintenance contract; Cllr Mike Allen: Playing Field, being a trustee. Dispensation requests: None 25.037 **Appointment of Vice-Chair** RESOLVED: that Ian Collins be appointed as Vic-Chair for the ensuing year. Cllr Collins signed the Vice-Chair's Declaration of Acceptance of Office. 25.038 **Allotments Working Group** RESOLVED: that Cllr Ian Collins be appointed to the Allotments Working Group. 25.039 **Village Hall Representative** RESOLVED: that Cllr Josh Warren be appointed as the Village Hall representative. 25.040 **Playing Field Representative** RESOLVED: that Cllr Mike Allen be appointed as the Playing Field representative. 25.041 Planning portfolio holder RESOLVED: that no individual councillor hold the portfolio and that all members be involved in planning matters. 25.042 Highways portfolio holder RESOLVED: that no individual councillor hold the portfolio and that all members be involved in highways matters. 25.043 **General Power of Competence (GPC)** Noted: That the Parish Council retains the GPC. Clerk 25.044 **Governance Policies and Procedures**

Financial Risk Assessment: Reviewed and RESOLVED: to approve as presented. The

2.1 Code of Conduct: Reviewed and RESOLVED: to approve as presented.

Chairman signed the FRA.

2. Other Governance documents:

2.2 Standing Orders: RESOLVED: *To adopt the new updated NALC Model Standing Orders as presented.*

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2.3 Financial Regulations: RESOLVED: To adopt the new updated NALC Model Financial Regulations as presented.

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2.4 Other governance policies: None

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.20pm.

