**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Hatton Parish Council held at The Lewis Carroll Centre, Daresbury Lane, Daresbury on Monday 21st May 2018 at 7.00pm**

**Present**  **Apologies**

Margaret Winstanley Stuart Tranter

Julian Wrigley Dave Jones

Roger Dickin Judith Godley

Kathy Merrett

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| **B001** | **Apologies for absence**Apologies were received as above. |
| **B002** | **Closing Chair’s statement of last year – Cllr Margaret Winstanley**Another year for the Parish Council has concluded. I would like to thank all the councillors and our clerk for their hard work, help and support in making Hatton an active and successful community. We have struggled in the past to recruit councillors and I feel the groundwork that has been put in by us all has meant the PC has become more respected and accepted within the community as well as the wider Warrington community. Our council is at full complement with enthusiastic energetic councillors and I have been privileged to chair the group. I am proud that we have become a group where we make decisions as a collective and everybody's opinions count. Financially we have been prudent which means we have been able to have many subsidised village events whilst still maintaining a healthy balance for future projects. Once again thanks for your support and I am sure I am leaving the chairmanship in good hands and I wish our new chair well. RD proposed thanks to MW for her committed and positive time in office . This was warmly agreed by all. |
| **B003** | **Election of Chair & Signing of Acceptance of Office & Declaration of Interests**Cllr M Winstanley invited councillors for their nominations for Chairman. Cllr Kathy Merrett proposed Cllr Roger Dickin, this was seconded by Cllr Julian Wrigley and carried unanimously. |
| **B004** | **Election of Vice Chair & Signing of Acceptance of Office & Declaration of Interests**The election of Vice Chair was deferred to the June meeting when all members of the group would be in attendance. Rd asked MW to become interim Vice Chair until the June meeting when a replacement would be found. This was carried unanimously. |
| **B005** | **Adopt HPC Standing Orders & Financial Regulations & Annual Governance Statement 2017/2018**RD proposed the adoption of the HPC Standing Orders, Financial Regulations & Annual governance Statement 2017/2018 and this was seconded by KM |
| **B006** | **Closure of AGM**The meeting closed at 7.30pm |