Wendron Parish Council

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Wendron Parish held on Monday May 11, 2009 at 7.00pm in the Community Hall, Burras. Chairman of the Council, Cllr Mrs Marion Warren, presiding, Mr C Chapman (Parish Clerk) in attendance.

Visitors: Cllr N. van den Berg, Cllr M. Boase, Cllr M. Clayton, Cllr G. Gibson, Cllr W. Hamilton, Cllr Mrs C. Lay, Cllr Mrs D. Mitchell, Cllr Mrs S. Moyle, and Mr Lay.

The Chairman welcomed visitors to the meeting

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J. Buxton, Cllr P. Davidson, Cllr Mrs J. Lackner and Cllr Mrs S. Swift.

2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was agreed that, subject to the hand-written amendments, the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday, May 19, 2008 were a true record at the meeting on June 9, 2008 when the Chairman signed them as such.

3 REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman, Cllr Mrs Marion Warren, said

"As I considered my last annual report as Chairman, I toyed with the idea of looking back over my period of office i.e. 2004-2009.

"It began with my keeping a monthly memo pad which started by covering three A4 pages, was quickly reduced to one page, then to a half and finally none. On reflection this demise could be attributed to

- 1) an increasingly diverse volume of matters covered by the Parish Council
- 2) an incredibly accurate and detailed Minuting of the meetings by the Clerk
- 3) my personal development as Chairman reaching saturation point!

The truth is probably a combination of all three! Read through the Minutes of Meetings between 2004 and 2009 and you will be amazed at the number and variety of items we have dealt with. Some have taken longer than others, but all have come to a conclusion, satisfactory or otherwise.

"Whilst juggling with these 'balls in the air' we have also gathered in new Councillors, lost others and worried over the prospect of local government changes which are only now beginning to reveal themselves.

"This year has seen more action on traffic matters, the setting up of a dedicated Parish Council website, a new Area Beat Manager and PCSO, additional maintenance and servicing as part of One Cornwall Active Partnering scheme, and last the fruition of several years efforts to produce, print and distribute our own Walks in Wendron booklet.

"My sincere thanks are due to the Clerk, County and District Councillors, fellow Councillors past and present for their encouragement, advice and support during my term of office. I would also like to thank Bill Scolding publicly on behalf of the Parish Council for his excellent production of the Walks booklet.

"Finally my best wishes and support to the new Chairman as we move forward into the, as yet untested, waters of area networks and One Cornwall, may God bless all who sail on them!"

4 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO MARCH 31, 2009

The Clerk presented the Financial Report for the year 2008 – 2009 which had been accepted at the Ordinary Parish Meeting on Monday April 20, 2009. In brief, this showed that Wendon Parish Council had started the year with a reserve of £22,923.49 and ended it with a reserve of £18,420.26 The Clerk reported that the Internal Auditor (Peter Richards, formerly KDC Chief Auditor) had signed off the accounts and that they are now in the hands of the External Auditor.

The Chairman concluded the meeting by asking parishioners present if they had any questions or views about the actions of the Parish Council.

Mr Lay observed that last year's minutes recorded that he had stated then that "he felt the meeting might have been better advertised and, following general discussion, it was agreed to consider placing an advertisement in the local newspaper in future years." He noted that this had not been done and the Chairman speaking on behalf of Wendron Parish Council acknowledged the fault and apologized. Mr Lay also suggested that a brief report of each meeting might be sent to the local press, a practice, he said, that is followed by the Women's Institute and other organizations.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed.

Agreed for accuracy at the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting on June 8, 2009

Chairman

Formally adopted at the Annual Parish Meeting on May 10, 2010

Chairman