

**THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF BARNHAM BROOM PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> MAY 2016 AT 7.30 PM AT BARNHAM BROOM VILLAGE HALL.**

**Present:** Cllrs Cowan, Edwards, Ewles, Garrard and Read.

**In attendance:** Heidi Frary (Clerk), CC Dewsbury, DC Edney and 5 member of the public

**1. Apologies**

None

**2. Minutes** of the meeting held in May 2015 had been circulated before the meeting and were **approved**.

**3. Matters Arising**

None

**4. Local Organisations reports**

Parish Council Report:

Report available from the Clerk on request

Barnham Broom Church Report:

Report available from the Clerk on request

Barnham Broom School Report:

No report provided

Fen Trust Report:

Report available from the Clerk on request.

Village Hall Report:

Report available from the Clerk on request

Hoppers Report:

Report available from the Clerk on request

Brownies Report:

No report provided

Carpet Bowls:

Report available from the Clerk on request

Happy Days Report:

No report provided

Womens Institute Report:

Liz Jelley reported that WI currently has 26 members who live in both the village and the surrounding area. Meetings are publicized on Street life, Facebook and on village posters and there have been many varied speakers and visits. New members are always welcome to join this active group.

Breckland Youth Cafe

Report available from the Clerk on request

County Councillor Margaret Dewsbury Report:

Report available from the Clerk on request. CC Dewsbury added that the County Council is now run by the conservative party.

District Councillor Michael Edney Report:

Thanks were given to the Parish Council for their warm welcome. The South Norfolk budget for 2019/20 is very tight as there is a huge drop in grants however the Council have started to prepare early by increasing their property portfolio. It is hoped that they will be able to continue to provide the same level of services without a large increase in their portion of the Council Tax. Devolution is an ongoing discussion within the Council and partnership working is always being considered.

**5. Any Other Business:**

Jay Edwards suggested organizing a central village Facebook page for links with all the events in the village and links to separate pages. It was agreed that this would be an excellent idea.

Meeting Closed at 8.05 pm