

# DRAYTON BASSETT ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013 @ 7.30p.m.

Present:	P Millard	Chairman
	A Edmond	Councillor
	B Reynolds	Councillor
	M Monk	Internal Auditor
Apologies:	M Garbett	Councillor
No Apologies:	G Hemus	Councillor
	R Lockhart	Vice Chairman
Parishioners:	Bernard Patchett, Viv Patchett, Paula Acton, Patrick Harris	

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Chairman P Millard opened the meeting and welcomed the parishioners to the Annual Assembly.

## Acceptance and Signing of Minutes of the 2012 Annual Assembly

The Minutes of the 2012 Annual Assembly were circulated to those present.

Chairman P Millard requested approval of those minutes in order that they could be signed as a true recording of the meeting.

Approval was given and the Minutes were duly signed by Chairman P Millard.

## Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 2012 Annual Assembly

There were no matters arising.

## Presentation of Accounts

Maxine Monk, Internal Auditor, presented a summary of the Annual Accounts (appendix 1).

## Annual Report of the Women's Institute (WI)

Viv Patchett reported on the previous 12 months activities of the Women's Institute (appendix 2).

## Church Update

Ann Foley gave an update on the activities of the Church over the past 12 months (appendix 3).

## Chairman's Report

Chairman, P Millard presented his report (appendix 4).

### Rapid Aid Update

Maxine Monk gave an update on the last 12 months work of the First Responders.

It was reported that the number of active responders has reduced to five due to other commitments. Over 1,000 incidents were attended in 2012 with 25 of those being in Drayton Bassett, of which none, were serious.

Maxine stated that they are always looking for funding and thanked Drayton Bassett Parish Council for their donation.

Maxine asked for the help of parishioners to promote this very worthwhile cause by supporting future fund raising events.

### Open Forum

Chairman P Millard opened the meeting to the parishioners to raise any concerns, issues or indeed anything positive that they felt needed attention or highlighting.

### New Village Hall

A discussion took place about the possibility of building a multi-purpose hall combining the WI Hall and the Sports Pavilion for use by all the Village groups. Chairman P Millard thought this was a good idea and it was agreed that Viv Patchett would raise this at the next WI meeting to gauge their views. If she gets the 'green light', a meeting is to be arranged between the Parish Council and the WI to look at possible grants that might be available. It was highlighted that this would need to be a joint venture as there is a lot of work involved in applying for grants.

### Village Notice Board

It was felt by parishioners that the Village Notice Board is not well located and because of this no one looks at it. Viv Patchett asked how do people get posters/notices put on there because it is locked? Chairman P Millard advised, as he has done in previous years that, should anyone want anything putting on the notice board they should e-mail or drop off their poster to the Parish Clerk and she will ensure it is displayed. Chairman P Millard mentioned that one of the doors of the Notice Board has broken off and it was suggested that it was probably broken off through frustration at not being able to put up posters!

It was agreed to add the location of the Notice Board to the next Parish Council meeting agenda for discussion.

### Village Signage

Bernard Patchett mentioned that it would be nice to have some new curtilage signs at both ends of the Village. Chairman P Millard advised that the Parish Council have twice in the past 5½ years attempted to put up new signs but this had proved unsuccessful due to the land owner not agreeing to have the new signs on his land.

It was agreed to add Village Curtilage signs to the next Parish Council meeting agenda for discussion.

## Thanks

Chairman P Millard passed on his thanks to his fellow Councilors who try to make a difference in Drayton Bassett and in particular Avril Edmond who spends a disproportionate amount of time on Parish Council business.

Chairman P Millard also passed on his thanks to Lisa Millard, Parish Clerk, for her efficient work in liaising with other official bodies and organizing the Chairman and other Parish Councilors and continuing support from Matthew Ellis.

Chairman P Millard also thanked the Villagers who have helped input or participate in Village life.

The meeting finished at 8.30pm