

Minutes of the Annesley and Felley Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 8th May 2012 at the Acacia Centre Annesley Woodhouse

Present: Councillors MA Thomas (Chair), PD Thomas, R Madden, A McDonald, B Wortley, A Cope and the Clerk were in attendance.

1. **Apologies for Absence** None
2. **Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th May 2011.**

It was noted that the Minutes had been accepted and signed as a true record at the June 2011 Parish Council meeting.

3. **Chair's Report**

Councillor MA Thomas gave a brief summary of some of the initiatives and achievements throughout the year.

It has been an interesting year with lots of hard work from the Parish Councillors, particularly Dan Bedward and Tom Thomas.

Summary of achievements

- 1) Refurbished Parish Hall and Youth Club extension nearing completion without any cost to the community.
 - a) It is hoped that this will bring in more revenue through venue hire.
 - b) Greater use by community groups.
 - c) Improved and more valuable asset
- 2) Allotments
 - a) Existing allotments now mapped out and issues resolved.
 - b) Work on the new allotments will soon commence and the lease of the middle land will be changed so that existing and new allotment holders can be charged rental fees - more income for the Parish.
- 3) S106 funding
 - a) ADC have reduced the £50k they were giving for pathways and lighting.
 - b) Multi Use Games Area – the funding allocated for this has been utilised for the Hall Project, with the view that it will be easier to attract funding for the MUGA project than it would have been to increase the Parish Hall Project funding. Any funds remaining from the Parish Hall Project will be utilised for “play facilities”. A consultation event will take place at the open day in July and ADC will bring a range of play equipment ideas for people in the Parish to vote on. Therefore it is important that as many people attend as possible.
- 4) Other initiatives update.
 - a) Planned maintenance program for the middle land now established
 - b) Fire damaged trees removed
 - c) Cemetery Audit completed and work on making safe to commence shortly
 - d) Still issues with fly tipping, though monitoring processes now in place
 - e) Secured further funding for another new notice board
 - f) Hope to develop better links to ensure there is access to the Country Park from Annesley
 - g) Carried out significant tree maintenance work in the Cemetery for public safety reasons.
 - h) Parking Bays on Byron Road cut back again to allow residents better parking facilities
 - i) Arranged for the regular maintenance of the piece of land at the top of Byron Road to make it safer for oncoming traffic

- j) Produced and distributed a Parish Newsletter in January 2012 with another planned for June 2012
- k) Improved the content of the website to make more information available to residents.

Cllr MA Thomas thanked all Councillors, past and present, for all of their hard work and commitment throughout the year.

Cllr MA Thomas also thanked Anthony Clarke for the excellent work that he had done in maintaining areas within the Parish.

The meeting closed at 6.15p.m.

Signed.....Date.....
Chairman of Annesley & Felley Parish Council