

WYCK RISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON

10th June 2019

Present: Members – Tim Simon (TS), James Ross (JR), Andrew Fifield (AF), Brian Finnimore, (BF) Robert Montague (RM), Louise Fifield (Clerk), Councillor Andrew Maclean, and 5 members of the village.

Apologies: There were apologies from Councillor Nigel Moor and another member of the village

Election of Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer

AF proposed TS as Chairman, BF seconded the proposal, AF proposed JR as Responsible Financial Officer and BF seconded the proposal. Both were carried unanimously.

Minutes of the AGM held on 11th June 2018.

The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed.

Update on Uncontested Election of Parish Councillors on 2nd May

All five Councillors were elected for the period of 4 years.

Financial Report and Adoption of Accounts (James Ross)

JR thanked Andrew and Elizabeth Ransom for completing the internal audit of governance of the PC. The systems of controls and risk management were also carried out. As from last year we are not now subject to an external audit because our income and expenditure is below £25K. The document was signed by TS. Elizabeth Ransom stated in the Governance Statement, "I conclude that the processes for internal audit continue to be rigorous and fit for purpose. They provide the assurances needed for the Parish Council to discharge its financial responsibilities. Its management of risk is also of an acceptable standard."

JR circulated a 2- page report detailing a comparison between the current and previous year and the agreed budget for the current year. The net income shows a deficit of £970 as compared with the budgeted deficit of £620. £486 was recovered VAT, and the generous contribution to the new bench totalled £325. Total income was therefore £4742, more than budgeted. There had been an overspend on the pond maintenance due to the discovery of the water primrose and the clearing of the gullies totalling £2570, considerably over budget. The slight over spend on the trees and green arose because of the removal of the chestnut and the manhole repairs. Total expenditure was £5712 resulting in an overall deficit of £970.

JR told the meeting that we had started the year with under £8k and now have just under £7k but felt that we were still in good shape to face any exceptional cost. We have applied for a precept of £3200 again this year.

TS thanked the Ransoms for their work in carrying out the annual audits for the village.