Corston Parish Council

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**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL CORSTON PARISH MEETING: 11THMAY 2015**

**1. THE ANNUAL CORSTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: JOHN MAY, THE CLERK**

Following the dissolution of the previous Corston Parish Council prior to the General and local elections held on 7thMay 2015, and in the absence of a Chairman, the Parish Clerk opened the Annual Corston Parish Council meeting. He congratulated the Councillors who had been successfully elected to serve on the Corston Parish Council for a period of four years and welcomed them and also our re-elected Ward Councillor Mrs Sally Davis to the meeting. The newly elected Councillors are: Gary Breckon, Susan Charles, Malcolm McDowall, Sheila Thomas, John Twist, and Georgina Wynne.

The Clerk invited Malcolm McDowall, the Chairman of the former Corston Parish Council, to chair the remainder of the 2015 Annual Parish meeting. Malcolm thanked the Clerk for the invitation and took the Chair.

**2. PARISHIONERS IN ATTENDANCE: THE CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman welcomed several parishioners to the meeting and said that apologies for absence had been received from Anthony and Liz Acton.

**3. APOLGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Gary Breckon.

**4. CHAIRMAN’S OPENING REMARKS**

The Chairman thanked Ward Councillor Sally Davis for the valuable support she had given Corston during her last period in office. He also thanked the Corston Parish Councillors for the work and time that they had freely given in support of the village community.

The Chairman recognized the voluntary contributions made by James and Paul Wynne in keeping the playing field in a neat and tidy condition and gave a well-earned vote of thanks to them both.

**5. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2014 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

The Minutes were agreed and then signed by the Chairman.

**6. GENERAL ACTIONS FROM THE MINUTES OF 12THMAY 2014**

No actions were made at the meeting on 12thMay 2014.

**7. REVIEW OF THE CORSTON PARISH COUNCIL’S ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST YEAR**

The Chairman presented a summary of the May 2015 edition of the Parish Council Notebook, written for the May edition of the Corstonian. (The May 2015 Parish Council Notebook document is attached to the email sending these Minutes.)

**8. REPORT – CORSTON CHURCH: JANE JONES**

 Jane Jones presented the 2015 report on Corston Church, which had been prepared by her, and Liz Acton. A copy of the report is available from the Parish Clerk.

**9. REPORT– CORSTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE: MR MARTIN SEYMOUR**

Martin Seymour presented a report on behalf of the Village Hall committee. (The report document is attached to the email sending these Minutes.)

**10. REPORT – CORSTON 2014 COUNTRY FAIR COMMITTEE: MR MARTIN SEYMOUR**

On behalf of the Corston Country Fair Committee Martin Seymour presented a report on the 2014 Country Fair to the meeting. (The report document is attached to the email sending these Minutes.)

**11. REPORT – THE CORSTONIAN: COUNCILLOR WYNNE, CORSTONIAN EDITOR**

Councillor Wynne said that the Corstonian had been published for twenty years and that it was a lasting tribute to its founding Editor and long serving Parish Clerk, Mr. Terry Miller. She enjoyed producing the Corstonian and hoped that it would continue to run for many years. On behalf of the Parish, the Chairman thanked Councillor Wynne for her diligent work as the Corstonian Editor which also involved arranging the printing of the magazine, its collection from the printers and distribution around the parish.

**12. REPORT – CONSTITUENCY BUSINESS: MRS SALLY DAVIS, WARD COUNCILLOR**

Mrs Sally Davis, Farmborough Ward Councillor, presented her report to the meeting. (The report document is attached to the email sending these Minutes.)

**13. OPEN DISCUSSION**

Following informal discussion about a variety of subjects the Chairman closed the 2015 Annual Parish meeting.

Signature ................................................. Date .......................................

Chairman of Corston Parish Council

Copies to: All Corston Parish Councillors and Mrs Sally Davis, Ward Councillor and approximately 90 Parishioners via the Parish Council Group email list, other individuals and organisations in the Parish and the Parish Council notice board.

**NB. The 2016 Annual Parish meeting will start at 7pm on Monday, 16thMay 2016**