

**MINUTES OF HESKIN RESIDENTS ANNUAL MEETING
HELD ON 16th MAY 2019 AT HESKIN VILLAGE HALL**

Residents present Mrs Bamber, K Mather, E Forshaw, P Lloyd, AJ Singh, M Holden, Mrs Pilkington, Mrs Evans, Mrs Holden , A Whittaker

1 Appointment of Chair. Mrs Bamber was elected to Chair the meeting

2 Apologies for absence . None received.

3 Minutes of the Annual Residents Meeting 2018

The minutes were agreed as circulated

4 Chairs Report. Mrs Bamber presented her report on the activities of the Council in the preceding year. Particular mention was made of the Community Orchard on Town Lane, several contentious planning applications, Parish Precept, the exemplary service of Cllr Jim Haworth who resigned after 8 years service. Parish Councillors the lengthsmen and the Clerk were also thanked for their efforts through the year.

5 Village Picnic. There was a full and frank discussion about the Village Picnic similar to the one held in 2018. It was pointed out that an earlier meeting the Council had agreed in principle to allow the picnic on either the Town Lane field or The Meadows. The Council had also agreed to fund the hire of mobile toilets. Mrs Pilkington sought to draw a line under last years event and described the proposals for 2019 and the possibility of any proceeds going to the school or the defibrulator maintenance. The issue of insurance was fully debated and the Chair made clear that the Council's Insurers would only pay for their Public liability based on what is on the field

and in the Council's ownership and control. The organisers of the picnic must take out their own full cover insurance for anything else, eg marquees, amusements, catering, and stewardship. Mrs Pilkington undertook to do this and advise the Clerk with details of when the event will take place, the cost and supplier of the toilets, and details of the organiser's insurance cover.

6 Dog Fouling . A resident expressed concern about the increased incidence of dog fouling by irresponsible dog owners and referred to plastic bottle dog pooh bag dispensers in Eccleston. The Clerk was asked to enquire if these could be provided in Heskin also and the display of more prominent dog fouling signs

Meeting Closed