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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD IN THE KING SUITE, ANGMERING VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 12 MAY 2025

**Present:** Councillors Nikki Hamilton-Street, John Oldfield, David Marsh, Alison Reigate, Alan Evans, Sylvia Verrinder and Carey Bennett

Julie Toben, Chief Executive from Wadars, Natalie Web, Teacher in charge from the Lavina Norfolk Centre and 5 Members of the Public

**In attendance:** Katie Herr (Parish Clerk), Tracy Lees (Office Manager)

AGENDA ITEM	MINUTE NO.	AGENDA POINT	ACTION
1	25/001	<b>WELCOME</b> The Chair, Cllr. Nikki Hamilton-Street introduced herself and thanked those present for attending. She explained the difference between the two meetings being held tonight and introduced the guest speakers.  She then explained the purpose of the meeting and how it would run.	
2	25/002	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Apologies were received and approved for Cllrs. Matthew Want, Norma Harris and Paul Bicknell. Apologies were also received and approved for West Sussex County Councillor Deborah Urquhart and Arun District County Councillor Andy Cooper.	
3	25/003	<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b> Approval of the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 13 May 2024 were agreed by all and signed by the Chair.	
4	25/004	<b>INTRODUCTION OF COUNCILLORS</b> The Chair asked all Councillors present to introduce themselves along with the positions they held, which they did. The same was asked of Clerk, Katie Herr and the Office Manager, acting as the Committee Clerk, Tracy Lees.	

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5	25/005	<p><b>PUBLIC CONSULTATION</b></p> <p>The Chair asked all those present if there were any questions, there were none.</p> <p><b>Items 8 and 9 were then brought up the agenda with agreement from the committee</b></p>	
8	25/006	<p><b>CHARITY OF THE YEAR 2024/25 – THE LAVINA NORFOLK CENTRE (LNC)</b></p> <p>The Chair talked through the various events that had been held to raise money for the centre and presented a cheque for £3,116.00 to Natalie Webb the representative from the LNC.</p> <p>Natalie was overwhelmed with the amount raised and thanked Angmering Parish Council (APC) for all their hard work in making this possible. She gave an overview of what the LNC do and explained what this money would be going towards which includes the purchase of an accessible minibus and a long-term project to start a café which would be run by employed LNC students to gain much needed work experience.</p> <p>She finished by saying that every event had been fantastic to be part of and that the LNC was honoured to have been APCs Chairty of the Year.</p>	
9	25/007	<p><b>CHARITY OF THE YEAR 2025/26 – WADARS</b></p> <p>The Chair welcomed Julie Toben the CEO of Wadars and said that APC looked forward to working with them over the coming year.</p> <p>Julie introduced herself and thanked APC for making them APCs Chairty of the Year. She explained that animal charities had lost a lot of their funding and support, and this could not have come at a better time for them.</p> <p>She explained that Wadars have been around for 55 years and are based in Ferring. The area they cover is vast and they rescue wild animals as well as rehoming companion animals. The monies raised over the year will be going to towards the rehoming part of their charity which averages out to about 500 animals per year. Julie also said its not just about the money but getting into the community and talking about what they do and education.</p> <p>Julie finished by saying again what a wonderful opportunity this was and invited questions.</p> <p>Cllr. Verrinder asked if Wadars were aware of the Climping Dog Show and suggested this would be a good event to attend as it was always well attended.</p> <p>Cllr. Evans asked what items they took as donations. Julie said there is a list of items on their website but towels are always needed, they also have an Amazon Wish List and an eBay Shop.</p> <p>After thanking the committee for a final time Julie left the meeting at 18:45.</p>	

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6	25/008	<p><b>ACHIEVEMENTS FROM 2024/25</b></p> <p>The Chair reported that it had been a busy year for Angmering Parish Council (APC) and much had been achieved.</p> <p>She drew attention to the document that had been produced showing all the achievements throughout the year. The Chair talked through various events, projects, the introduction of the Youth Club and financial reporting including the precept not being raised again this year.</p> <p>The Chair also commented on various areas that APC are responsible for including St Nicholas Garden plus the installation of a second bus stop that had come about after a request was received from a resident, the introduction of further solar lighting in Mayflower Park to be installed and the various recycling initiatives still being done and looked after by Cllr. Evens.</p> <p>She thanked the staff team for building positive relationships with WSCC and ADC, Cllr. Verrinder for leading the Planning and Infrastructure Committee and working with the South Downs National Park of which Angmering is a part of.</p> <p>Details of all the events are posted on the APC website and on the APC Facebook page, as well as in the office window and in All About Angmering magazine.</p> <p>The Chair finished by saying APC have achieved and worked on diverse things over the past year and hope to continue to do so.</p> <p>A full list of achievements can be found in the Supporting Papers and on the APC website.</p>	
7	25/009	<p><b>FRED ROWLEY AWARD AND VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2025</b></p> <p>The Chair explained the history of these awards and that both awards have very worthy winners. She also mentioned last years winner of the Fred Rowley award, Eric Holmes, who has sadly passed away and paid tribute to all the work he had done for Angmering over the years.</p> <p>The Chair introduced <b>Rachel Thornley</b> who had been awarded <b>Volunteer of the Year</b>.</p> <p>Rachel leads Angmering Brownies and guides and has been part of the group for 11 years. Her nomination comments included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rachel always goes above and beyond and organises some fantastic trips. The effort she puts in is exceptional.</li> <li>• She has gone out of her way to get her overnight licence so the girls can have the best guiding experience.</li> </ul> <p>Rachel accepted her award along with a certificate of achievement.</p>	

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The **Fred Rowley Award** was then introduced.

**Jacqui Moore** the recipient of this award is on the committee of the Honey Lane Allotments and has been instrumental in getting more residents involved. Her nomination comments included the following:

- Jacqui does so much s at Honey Lane Allotments. She sorts out plots, helps everyone and maintains the site.
- She is a long serving committee member, giving a huge amount of her time, and is very proactive in keeping the allotments and plot holders in order. There are others alongside her on the committee of course, but Jacqui does a huge amount.
- Organises gatherings for plot holders and recently was instrumental in getting the fence painted that surround one side of the allotment.

Jackie accepted her award along with a certificate of achievement.

Before this item concluded Cllr. Reigate commented at the lack of nominations for Young Volunteer of the Year and encouraged this for next years awards.

**10      25/010      CLOSE AND THANK YOU BY THE CHAIR**

Before ending the meeting, the Chair gave her congratulations again to the award winners thanked everyone for attending.

The meeting finished at **19:00**.

Chairman.....

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