

KIRKBYMOORSIDE TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Town meeting held in the Moorside Room, 9 Church Street, YO62 6AZ on Monday 25th April 2016 at 7pm

Present: Mayor Christine Dowie, Councillors Brampton, Coughlan and Watson and Town Clerk L Bolland.

Also present: County Councillor Val Arnold and 20 members of the public and a member of the press

1 WELCOME FROM THE TOWN MAYOR

The Town Mayor, Councillor Chris Dowie welcomed everybody to the meeting.

2 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING HELD ON 20 MAY 2015

The minutes of the Annual Town meeting held on 20 May 2015 were approved and signed.

3 MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayors report was received. Appendix A.

4 PRESENTATION OF THE COMMUNITY AWARD

The mayor presented award to Graham Jemison and Stuart Webster for their significant contributions to the community.

Graham Jemison receives the award for his contribution to the youth cricket and football teams.

Graham is involved with coaching the Kirkbymoorside junior football team and the Kirkbymoorside Junior Cricket team so he is coaching young people from the Kirkbymoorside area the whole year round. Graham works full time, therefore his role as coach is all voluntary and absorbs much of what would be his spare time. He co-ordinates both the training and matches, which is no mean feat.

His knowledge and skills in football and cricket are vital to the role, as is his ability to inspire and teach children aged 9 to 11 who participate in both sports. He is an excellent teacher and he has been able to develop all the members of the team through good communication, practical demonstration, encouragement and instilling a sense of fun as well as discipline to the sport. With Grahams help the children's fitness, co-ordination and confidence have grown, they have established friendship groups and developed a sense of pride in playing for their local community. Additionally the experience of being part of a team, working together to win but also to lose gracefully has grown stronger over the years with Graham training and guiding them.

Stuart Webster receives the award for his contribution to the Cubs as Assistant Cub Leader. Stuart is a committed Cub leader, whose practical skills and down-to-earth, can-do attitude make him invaluable, both to his fellow leaders and to the children, for whom he is a strong role model.

Stuart has been involved with Kirkbymoorside Cubs for nearly 7 years and is a great asset to the group. He is very practical and outgoing, loving the outdoor activities that being involved with the Scout Movement brings. He really comes into his own at Cub Camp, having as much fun as the children.

Stuarts contribution to the community extends beyond his role with the Cubs. For several years he was an active member of the play area committee and he volunteers with the annual tractor run. He always looks out for his neighbors, especially the elderly, and is always ready to give a hand whether it be changing a wheel, gardening or painting. Stuart is an all-round great guy and is an asset to the community.

5 PUBLIC SESSION

A member of the public raised concern about the state of the public footpath from Piercy End to Neville Walk and the footpaths from Feversham Drive to West End and through Wainds Field, which are in need of repair. Mayor Dowie confirm that in the past the footpaths have been repaired by a combined effort between NYCC and Community Payback. The Town Clerk will pursue the matter to arrange repairs.

6 REPORTS FROM CHARITIES AND VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Chris Simmonds provided a report on progress of the Fruit Project. Appendix B.

Chris Martin introduced herself as the President of the Kirkbymoorside WI and extended an invitation to the Café that they will be hosting in the Moorside Room on Sunday 1st May in conjunction with the Kirkby Day events. She reported that the impression on newcomers to the town by the local residents was very positive with the locals being described as very hospitable, kind and welcoming. The WI meet on the first Monday of the month and one of the objectives that is being acted upon is not to waste food. It is hoped that the WI will be more involved with food banks. Each year the WI is involved with similar initiatives. The next meeting is on May 16th at 7.15pm in the Methodist Chapel rooms.

The meeting ended at 7.35 pm.