

WARMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish meeting

held on Monday 11th May 2009

At 7pm

In the Village Hall, Warmington

1. **ATTENDANCE** : Mr D Short, Mr C Ellard, Mr I Cutler, Mr G Reid, Councillor H Smith, Mrs M Hodges, Mrs I Ellard, Mr I Middleton and Mr D Jose
2. **APOLOGIES** : Apologies were received from Mr D Rowell, Mrs J Simpson and Mr M Dixon
3. **APPROVAL AND SIGNING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 12th MAY 2008.** Mr Ellard proposed and Mr Cutler seconded that the minutes be signed as a true and accurate record of events. AIF
4. **ENHANCED NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME.**

Mr Short reported that a meeting had been held on 27th April at the Social Club to progress this. Mr Fearnley, Chair of the Northamptonshire Association of Neighbourhood Watch gave a presentation. 6 Parishioners signed up to act as co-ordinators with responsibility for the following areas:-

 - Mr Rowell and Mr Neath – Pierce Crescent, Drapers Close and Broadgate Way
 - Mr Cooper – Big Green
 - Mr Owen – Buntings Lane and Little Green
 - Mr Jose – Parts of Nene Pastures
 - Mr Short – to be decided

More co-ordinators are required to cover other areas of the village. Please contact the Clerk for further details.
4. **FURTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION (from the floor)**
 - a) Councillor Heather Smith provided information as follows:-

The installation of the 20mph Scheme should begin next month. Initially the Police were not particularly happy that the Scheme did not include chicanes and pinch points to slow the traffic down. The majority of villages, however, do not want these and the Scheme represents NCC's attempts to slow the traffic down in villages without the use of such items. The Scheme will be monitored to see how successful this is.

Winter gritting and the damage caused by the adverse weather conditions. The adverse weather this year meant that there was a shortage of salt. It was only possible to grit the main roads. The County can only stockpile a certain amount of salt as it goes off. The result was that the roads have been badly damaged by frost and there is major damage throughout the County. NCC have now taken £5 million out of reserves to repair the roads and a programme of repair will be carried out over time.
 - b) Mr Short raised the issue of the road priorities near the Red Lion. The Clerk will check the situation regarding this with Richard Woodhouse, Highways.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm.