

WIXOE VILLAGE MEETING – 11<sup>th</sup>. April 2019.

- 1). Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Warwick, Mary Wright, Jenny Starr and Pauline Broad.
- 2). Minutes of the Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup>. October 2018. All agreed that these were a correct record.
- 3). There were no matters arising.
- 4). Chairman's Report: Mr. Howlett expressed his gratitude, and that of the village, to the villagers who had cut down the over-hanging trees in the road by the river. He also thanked the Tate family who have continued with this work.
- 5). There was no Secretary's Report.
- 6). Treasurer's Report: Mr. Broad advised that we are exempting ourselves from the Official Audit, but we must publish our returns on the website. The Annual Accounts were distributed. The additional insurance cost would include cover for work parties. Included in the precept for this year were reserves for any additional expenditure for emergency tree and verge cutting. These reserves would be spent only with the permission of this Meeting. This report was adopted; proposed by Mr. D. Smith, and seconded by Mr. R. Jenkins.
- 7&8). To receive a report from Cllr. Mrs. Mary Evans, Suffolk County Council, and St. Edmundsbury Council. Mrs. Evans spoke about County Council expenditure. A discussion followed regarding the cutting of the grass verges in the village. Mr. Wright asked Mrs. Evans if anything could be done regarding cutting the verge and clearing the ditch outside his house. Mrs. Evans said that she would investigate.
- 9). Report from Mr. R. Jenkins, Neighbourhood Watch Committee. Mr. Jenkins spoke about the recent attempted break in at Wixoe Barns.
- 10) Police Update. Mr. Howlett advised that the police no longer have the manpower available to attend these meetings.
- 11). Election of Officers: All re-elected.

12). Any Other Business: There is a problem with a tree outside no.9 Church View. Mr Howlett will make enquiries. A letter had been received from Mr. And Mrs. Tate, whose house, Wixoe Mill, suffered a devastating fire last year, advising the village that work has now started on the re-building, and thanking the people of Wixoe for their kindness and understanding.

The Meeting closed at 8.30p.m.