## Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting

held in the Randolph Community Centre, Stones End, Evenwood, Bishop Auckland, DL14 9RE, on Tuesday 13th May 2025 commencing at 6:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councillors R. Bolden (Chairman); R. Spraggon (Vice-Chair); A. Breeze; J. Cosslett; A. Deakin; C. Hodgson; A. Marshall; E. Pettit; Cllr. Robert Potts (Durham County Council); Mr. K. Murray-Hetherington (Parish Clerk); and two members of the public.

## IN ATTENDANCE:

Minute No. Agenda item

- **O01.** APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: There were no apologies for non-attendance.
- **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 14th May 2024 which were approved and signed as a true record on Tuesday 11th June 2024 were received. [*Cllr. Potts arrived at 6:40 p.m.*].
- **OO3. ANNUAL REPORT:** Cllr. Bolden presented a report on the work of the Parish Council.
- **FINANCIAL REPORT:** The Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) presented a report on the Parish Council's financial position for 2024-2025. The Parish Council's balances were good and in line with expectations. Once the annual audit was complete, the accounts would be available for scrutiny.
- **REPORTS:** There were no reports from local clubs, societies, and voluntary and statutory organisations about the work of their group.
- **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Two local resident complained about the Randolph Community Centre Foundation Trust charity's lack of transparency regarding its membership. They also suggested advertising parish council vacancies more widely within the parish. There were no other questions, comments, or suggestions from registered electors.
- **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:** The Annual Parish Meeting must be held between 1st March and 1st June each year. It was agreed that the date of the next Annual Parish Meeting would be: Tuesday 12th May 2026.
- **CONCLUSION OF MEETING:** The meeting closed at 7:15 p.m.

Chairman's Signature	Date
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