

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF SCOULTON PARISH HELD ON
25th MAY 2016 AT 8.10 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Mark Brown, Al Middleton, Andrew Shingfield, Colin Spinks, Zena Rowland and Nigel Webster.

In attendance: Heidi Frary (Clerk) and DC Rogers

Apologies: CC Jordan and Cllr Roy Potton

1. **Minutes** of the 2015 meeting had been circulated to councillors and were approved.
2. **Chairman's report:** Colin Spinks reported that he was elected as Chair in May. In July Al Middleton was co-opted to complete the Council. The recycling banks are not always emptied as often as ideal, but the income helps keep the precept low. The Council have secured match funding for a hard standing bus stop, the village sign is now back in its place and a flower bed has been created at the base, thanks to Roy and Jane Gutteridge, Tony Grover and Nigel Webster to be included in the next edition of Scoulton News. **Clerk to action.** There have been changing plans for a crematorium in the parish and the bus shelter has been painted. Thanks to Paul and Zena Rowland and Colin Spinks for painting the bus shelter also to be added to Scoulton News. **Clerk to action**

Other Reports:

3. Village Hall: No report available.
4. Fuel Allotment Trustees: The financial statement was passed to the Clerk. ZR shared research that she has completed into the history of the land and added that the land has been registered with the land registry and the tenant has changed.
5. Scoulton Green Space: CS reported that the area has been tidied, fallen branches cleared and the apple trees pruned. The blue van is still outside the property despite the Clerks best endeavours to get it removed. **The Clerk to ask Highways and CC Jordan for assistance.** Thanks were recorded to Roy Grimwood for grass cutting through the year.

CS has completed the annual tree report. All trees are satisfactory at the Grove. NW is obtaining a professional for the Ash tree behind the Village Hall. **NW to action.**

SGS activities for the future such as a BBQ and expansion of conservation in other areas of the Parish to be considered in due course.

6. District Councillor report: None
7. County Councillor report: None
8. Safer Neighbourhood Team update: None
9. Any other reports: None
10. Public questions: None

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 8.33 pm.