COOKLEY & WALPOLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ANNUAL Parish Meeting of the Parishes of Cookley and Walpole held virtually on Zoom on Wednesday, May 5th 2021 at 6pm.

Present: Cllr. R. Chase (Chairman); Cllr. C. Leggett; Cllr. L. Andrews; Cllr. J. Lewis; Cllr. Z. Mair and Cllr. C. Northover:

Also Present:

Paul Widdowson (Clerk):

1) **Apologies for Absence:**

Cllr. M. Porter and Cllr. J. Winter:

2) **To approve the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meetings for Cookley and Walpole on May 21st 2019:**

The Minutes of the Cookley APM and the Walpole APM held on May 21st 2019 were approved.

Proposer: Cllr. R. Chase: Seconder: Cllr. Z. Mair:

3) **An Annual Report from the Chairman of the Parish Council:**

The Clerk distributed the Chair's Report and is available with these Minutes.

Cllr. Z. Mair said that she thought the parishes had excellent Parish Councillors and thanked the Clerk for all his hard work.

4) **Reports from Local Groups & Organisations:**

The written reports for the Cookley and Walpole Good Neighbours, Walpole and Cookley Playing Fields Trust, Cookpole Energy Action, Walpole Allotments Society, Walpole Old Chapel, Walpole Village Archivist, Cookley Town Estate and George Calver Charity were all made available to those at the meeting.

Cllr. Z. Mair reported that 'Cookley and Walpole Good Neighbours' was to be disbanded. She thanked Cllr. M. Porter for cutting the grass at the Pavilion and said that the Walpole and Cookley Playing Fields Trust were planning new events. Cllr. Z. Mair said that Cookpole were looking to get a shredder so that parishioners cold get their garden waste shredded and they hoped to get a charging point for the shredder at the Pavilion. She reported that Walpole Allotments have two vacancies and it was noted that the Old Chapel, Walpole was a stunning old building which needs around £200,000 of work completed on it. It was agreed that the Parish Councillors should meet the Village Archivist. It was noted that every three weeks, a church service takes place at Cookley Church and the churchyard was kept in good condition. The George Calver Charity Report noted that only the interest on the money it holds is spent and the money is only spent on the area known as the 'Blything Hundred'. The report also noted that the Trust has a full Board of Trustees who all have very different skills/assets. Cllr. Z. Mair said that she believed that she lived in a very active community.

5) **Local Issues:**

It was noted that the Cookley Telephone Box needed repainting but no-one had stepped forward.

The Meeting ended at 6-58pm.