

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE ELECTORS
OF GREAT WISHFORD HELD AT ST. GILES CHURCH
On Thursday 16th May 2019**

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.
There were six persons present with Mr Tom Nash in the Chair.

Apologies

Cllr Darren Henry, PCSO Tina Roylance

Minutes

The minutes of the last Annual Assembly on May 20th 2018 were agreed and signed

Chairman's Report

The Parish Council met six times in the past year 2018/19.

The precept this year has remained at £4500.

£137 payments have remained the same with payments of £50 each being paid to Good Companions Club, Wilton and District Day Centre, Grovely Preschool, Oak Apple Club, Wilton and District Link scheme and Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

Lack of parking around the village remains an issue particularly around Bonham Close, Kingsmead and outside the Village School. Without any obvious solutions the matter is being monitored.

Active speed signage is being sought to encourage the handful of reckless drivers, who regularly speed along South Street, to drive more responsibly.

The re-siting of a litter bin to the Grovely Road has been widely welcomed to service the needs of many ramblers and dog walkers. A significant reduction in littering here is most welcome.

This year Graham Dewy has resigned from the PCC, we are very grateful for his past contributions. Tom Nash will also be resigning at the conclusion of the AGM.

Looking ahead the Parish Council will be seeking new councillors to fill the 3 vacancies. This is a great opportunity to give back to the community and bring views and suggestions to the future development of Village life.

I would like to express my thanks to all the Parish Councillors, Councillor Darren Henry and the Parish Clerk, for their efforts and support during the year.

Wishford United Charities

Chris Lock reported that there were no great changes in expenditure from last year, with ongoing bills rather than projects. Major changes in the trustees were happening however, with resignations from Chris Smith and Graham Dewey and Celia Staples having stepped down as Clerk. Three new people have agreed to stand, so there is a full complement of seven. Sarah Noble is to take over as Clerk.

Parish Police Report

There was no police report this year.

Any Other Business

- A resident reported ongoing issues with parking and traffic at the school. Getting through that area at start and end of the school day is difficult. Speed was also a problem. The chairman outlined contacts that had been made with the school and the police to tackle these problems and confirmed that the council is investigating mobile speed signs for the village
- The right of way from South Street to the recreation ground was queried. This was modified so that it no longer dissected the field but ran along the back of Grovely Cottages and the used the raised path to the bridge. An up to date map will be investigated to check if it is a permissive pathway or a Right of Way.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40pm