

THORPE MALSOR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Minutes of the Thorpe Malsor Annual Parish Meeting held on 31st May 2022.

Present: Cllr E Stevenson (Chair), Cllr J Harrison, Cllr C Holborow, Cllr H Sharp (acting Clerk).
No members of the public attended.

Cllr Stevenson opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees.

1. Approval of the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 28th May 2019.

The minutes were approved without amendment and signed by Cllr Stevenson.

2. Annual reports from the following organisations were noted (copies attached):

All Saint's Church
Village Hall Management Committee
Village Tote

3. Open Discussion

No villagers attended to raise concerns.

4. Closing Comments.

Cllr Stevenson thanked the representatives of the village organisations who had sent reports.

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm.

Signed:(Chair)

Date:

All Saints Churchwardens ' Report 2022

Summary

During the past two years, the protracted effects of the pandemic have obviously had a significant and effect on Church life. It has undoubtedly been a strange and unsettling time for our Church community, despite the periods of mandatory lockdown a pattern of services has been upheld albeit very limited.

It has been a time of much sadness, our Church family has been greatly diminished by the loss of John Copley, Eric Childs and Dr Peter McCormick who all contributed greatly to church life. Dr Peter played the organ for many years and contributed significantly to Tea and Toast services which have now become a key part of the Church's witness and mission to the community.

Services

Services have been maintained in accordance with the restrictions imposed by the pandemic sadly the special services which All Saints has built a good following particularly the service by the reservoir and the crib service which has attracted good attendance from the wider community have had to be cancelled.

All Saints has found innovative ways of worship particularly through the very popular podcast which have been greatly appreciated and attracted a good following.

The Ordained Team

Canon John, ably and generously assisted by the Reverend Steve Heygate and Margaret Mossman have continued to offer their dedicated and practical ministry to the parish community at large.

Fundraising

Sadly for obvious reasons the annual bridge day did not take place this year. It is evident that the whole matter or issue of fundraising needs to be addressed with some urgency next year.

Maintenance

The year has thankfully passed without any major maintenance needs other than small items of renewal. However this continued good fortune cannot be taken for granted.

Thorpe Malsor Village Hall Management Committee Report

May 2022

Like most organisations TMVH has finally come through the Covid pandemic after being completely shut down from March 2020 and then safely managed through all the various restrictions thereafter. It was a challenging time with regard to the regulations and risk assessments required for our hirers and the committee.

As TMVH pays business rates, we were eligible for the Gov.UK grants schemes. Initially these paid out automatically and then the committee made further application to receive entitled grant aid.

As at May 2022 both our historic hirers have returned to normal attendance. The Model Railway Group meet on Wednesday evening and continue to develop their exhibition layouts, and support each other socially. Sadly they lost some members during Covid but have new members coming through now.

The Martial Arts Group now attend on a Saturday morning (previously Sunday morning) and are again back up to normal attendance.

We were very pleased to welcome the 1st Broughton Guide Company as they were unable to return to Cransley Village Hall during Covid. The Guides attend on a Monday evening and have now been joined by a new Brownie pack earlier in the evening. It is good to see young people using the hall.

TMVH continues to be available for one-off bookings, for example funeral wakes and also the NNC Supporting Independence Scheme.

TMVH welcomes enquiries from any member of our local community.

TMVH are making a significant contribution to the upcoming Queen's Platinum Jubilee Lunch on 5th June 2022 when it is hoped many villagers will partake of the Hog Roast!

Frances Pope
Secretary to TMVH Management Committee

Village Tote Report for 2022

As expected, last year was not good and the tote only ran for 6 months. Those who had paid the previous year had their money carried over.

The end result, after payment of prize money, will result in donations of £120 each to Church funds and the Village Hall.

This year there are 68 names on the list. If the name is drawn of anyone who has not paid, their winnings will stay in the pool.

Sue Walton
Tote Organiser