

OUTSEATS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Monday 30 April 2010 at 7.15pm in the Hathersage Methodist Church Lounge

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| Present: | Councillor Jane Marsden – Chairman | <u>In attendance</u> |
| | Councillor Anne Claxton | County Councillor Judith Twigg |
| | Councillor Jean Hodgkinson | District Councillor Jean Monks |
| | Councillor Bill Gordon | Councillor Chris Cartledge (Hathersage PC) |
| | Councillor Pauline Whitney | Councillor Heather Rodgers (Hathersage PC) |
| | | Clerk: David Palmer |

One member of the public was present.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Simon Taylor and Bill Hanley (both work commitments). Apologies were also received from District Councillor Jacque Bevan.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Annual Meeting of Outseats Parish.

The Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 18 April 2011 were confirmed as a correct record.

The Chairman read her Report for the year 2011-2012. Council approved the report, which will be distributed to all households within the Parish.

The meeting received the Council's Audited Accounts for the year 2010-2011.

County Councillor Judith Twigg gave an update on a number of County Council matters. This included that Derbyshire County Council had frozen its Council Tax for a second year. Nevertheless, £120m would be spent to improve roads and schools, with the aim of promoting new jobs in the county. Furthermore, 500 apprenticeships would be created for young people. Councillor Twigg also said money was available for faster broadband connections to rural areas, but this was only available as match funding, so villages and parishes would need to raise significant sums themselves if this was to be utilised. Regarding part-night street lighting, she said other counties had reported a drop in crime in areas where the lights were switched off late at night. She reported that Outseats Parish would be assessed for this scheme in the last quarter of 2012, with part-night lighting commencing in the Parish in February 2013.

County Councillor Twigg was asked about her contribution to the campaigns regarding Long Causeway and Callow Bank. She said she supported these protests and was trying to get decisions taken at Derbyshire County Council – she was going to raise these ancient lanes at a DCC Transport Meeting the following day. She was also making sure that the senior people at DCC and at the Peak District National Park were aware of the issues with protecting these ancient routes.

The meeting closed at 8pm.