Minutes of the Watton Annual Town Meeting held in Wayland Hall on April 21st 2016

Present: Mayor Mr K Birch (Chairman of Watton Town Council), District Councillors Mr K Gilbert (also a Town Councillor), Mr M Wassell and Miss C Bowes (also County Councillor), 7 other members of Watton Town Council and 15 members of the public.

Also present Watton Town Council Clerk.

The Mayor welcomed attendees and confirmed the order for the meeting.

1. The minutes of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting were presented and signed as correct.

2. Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave a brief report of Town Council activities over the past year.

3. District Councillors' Report

- 3.1 Councillor Wassell presented a joint report from Breckland Council compiled by Councillor Bowes and himself. A copy is filed and can be found posted on the Town Council website.
- 3.2 Councillor Gilbert presented a verbal report, a copy of which is filed and can be found posted on the Town Council website.

4. County Councillor's Report

Councillor Bowes presented a comprehensive report of the activities of Norfolk County Council. A copy is filed and can be viewed on the Town Council website.

5. Police Report

No Police present but a written report was presented of which a copy is filed and available on the Town Council website.

6. Wayland Chamber of Commerce

Paul Adcock presented a report on behalf of the Chamber of Trade, a copy of which is filed and available on the Town Council website.

7. Wayland Partnership Report

Written report made available.

8. Citizens Advice Bureau Report

Verbal report given by John Constance, Director of CAB. A copy is filed and available on the Town Council website.

9. Reports from groups and organisations which have received grants from the Town Council

Written reports received from:

- The Wayland Festival
- Watton Society

Verbal reports given by;

- Queen's Hall
- St Mary's Church Café Church Outreach Project
- Norfolk Age UK
- Watton Twinning Association
- Phoenix Pipes and Drums
- Watton Army Cadet Force

Copies of all written reports received are filed and available on the Town Council website.

Mr R Crabtree spoke about the Watton Carnival and the Senior Citizens Christmas Party.

A verbal report was given by Mr B Wykes, Chairman of the Trustees of Watton Sports and Social Club. A copy is filed and available on the Town Council website.

The Museum4Watton Group were unable to attend the meeting and had sent apologies. A report from the group is to be presented to the Town Council in the near future.

10. No Questions raised by attendees