



SOUTH PETHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of South Petherton Parish Council which was held in the **William Blake Memorial Hall South Petherton** on **Monday 7th April 2014** commencing at **7.30 pm** when **Mr Adam Dance Parish Council Chairman** presided. There were some 68 persons present which also included a number of Parish Councillors and the Parish Clerk Mr B Poole.

1. Welcome by the Chairman Mr Adam Dance

The Chairman formally welcomed everyone to the meeting where he hoped everyone would enjoy the meeting and take part in the refreshments laid on by the Parish Council and duly provided for by Provendora.

2. Minutes of the 2013 Annual Parish Meeting

The recently appointed Parish Clerk Mr Bruce Poole read the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting that was held on Monday 29th April 2013. Following a show hands the Minutes as read out were deemed to be a fair and accurate record of what took place and they were duly signed as such by the Chairman.

3. Chairman's Report

4. The 2014/15 Precept - Mr B Poole

The Clerk then delivered his presentation on the Precept for 2014/15 setting out the process by which it was calculated what the income would be spent on during the forthcoming year and what impact financially it would have on each household within the Parish. *A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes*

5. Other Reports

District Councillor Paul Thompson presented both his report and that of District Councillor Barry Walker who was unavoidably absent and who had sent in his apologies. *Copies attached to these minutes.*

These reports were then followed by the County Council report delivered by County Councillor Christopher Le Hyde.

Mr Peter Wheeler took the opportunity of advising the audience of the format and contributing acts to the forthcoming Folk Festival

6. Presentations

Two excellent short videos were then shown that had been produced by Councillor Brian Herrick one entitled "Beautiful Day" and the other "Mange Tout South Petherton"

7. Open Forum

There then followed an interesting and sometime somewhat lively debate on a possible Street Market initiative. A great deal of research had been carried out by Councillor Ian Greenfield in respect to this interesting challenge. It was made quite clear that no such decisions had been made by the Parish Council and indeed it expected to present at a later stage a more formal proposition when further exploratory work had been carried out and members of the public would be fully briefed.

8. Concluding Remarks

After a number of general questions the Chairman brought the evening to a close and invited everyone to partake in the refreshments provided including a glass of wine. The meeting concluded at 9.15 pm