

HUNNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at 7.30pm, on 16th May 2018 at St Kenelm's Church Hall, Bromsgrove Road, Romsley

Those present: Cllr. Mika, Cllr. Mrs Teese, Cllr. Fitzpatrick and Cllr. Gough

Retiring Vice Chairman Cllr. Gough presided over the meeting attended by no Parishioners.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on 16th May 2017 were formally signed as a correct record.

Cllr. Gough gave a summary of all the events and undertaking which have been carried out by the Parish Council over the last year.

Report of the Parish Path Warden

TO RECEIVE REPORT OF THE FOOTPATH OFFICER – APRIL 2017 – APRIL 2018

The main activity over the past year has been strimming and clearance work on various paths around the parish, particularly in the wood on Romsley Hill (FP 528).

Six parish walks have been organised and undertaken throughout the year with a total of 100 participants.

County mapping department provided a large scale map in April last year detailing the parish footpaths, specially printed on waterproof paper and suitable for displaying in a village notice board and is awaiting installation when a suitable notice board has been allocated or provided.

Contractors working on behalf of the County inspected a cart bridge on the footpath through Ell Wood (FP 538) in April last year and declared it unsafe for pedestrian use which resulted in closure of the footpath which forms part of the Penny Fields Walk. Footpath users have since removed the barriers from the bridge and continue to use it without any obvious signs of further deterioration to the bridge. With the new budget this financial year Countryside Access are hopeful that it may be possible to carry out remedial work on the bridge and officially open it.

Improvements to Parish Footpaths

One of the two kissing gates mentioned in last year's report has been installed in Shutmill Lane (FP 519) to replace a broken roadside stile. The other gate is still awaiting (FP 518). A stile cross step has been provided to make it easier to negotiate a difficult stile on footpath at Whitehall Farm (FP 517). An existing roadside fingerpost has been repaired and renovated near Newtown Farm (FP 544).

A waymark post has been installed in hedge gap on footpath opposite Lyttleton Croft, St Kenelms Road (FP 515) to better indicate route of footpath. New kissing gate installed at Dayhouse Farm (FP 542) to address farmers concerns at walkers leaving field gate open.

New kissing gate installed at Dayhouse Bank (FP 542) to remedy problems of stock security caused to farmer by adjacent stile on neighbours land in poor condition. Cross step replaced on stile at Holt Farm (FP 511).

Stuart Smith, Parish Paths Warden

As there were no parishioners present, the Chairman duly declared the meeting closed at approximately 7.45pm

Signed..... Dated.....
Chairman – Hunnington Parish Council