

**Minutes of East Down Parish Annual Meeting
on Monday 15th April 2013 at East Down Village Hall 8.00 p.m.**

Present: Cllrs Mrs S. Black (Chairman), Mr R. Fry, Mrs E. Kempf, Mr. M. Mant, Mr. K. Phillips, Mrs S. Price, Mr R. Tarr, County Councillor Ms A. Davis, District Councillor Mr J. Tucker, Mr James Stout (P3 Co-ordinator), Mrs A. Mant, P.C. Martin Beck and Mrs M. Done (Clerk)

Cllr Mrs Sue Black welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited PC Beck to advise on crime and other matters relevant to the parish.

Martin reported that there had been only one crime in the East Down Parish during the last year. This was the theft of a surf board from a car roof. He advised that some communities are suffering from the theft of heating oil and recommended vigilance. Quad bikes have also been stolen as well as farm machinery. His message was to make a note of serial numbers on all equipment. This will be helpful if identifying ownership when found. Questions were then asked about poaching and he reported that three deer had been shot on his patch this year. Martin then explained the issues with firearms and also covered matters of trespass on land. He asked if there were any problems with the Rally Club but there were none mentioned. In conclusion PC Beck reminded everyone that there is 24 hours oncall coverage for any problems. Martin said he would be very happy to return to a future meeting should the Council wish.

Mrs Black thanked him for his time and report and he then left.

1. Apologies: none

2. Minutes. The minutes of the meeting on 14th May 2012 had been accepted and signed on 20th June 2012 .

3. Matters arising from the minutes. None

4. Chairman's Report. Attached

A vote of thanks was recorded for the Chairman.

5. Financial Report. Balance 31st March 2013 £3920.67 which includes P3 money of £581.07 and a liability of £175.50 PWLB payment to be collected 2nd April 2013.

6. Parish Paths Report - James Stout

The footpaths surveys were carried out and the reports and financial returns sent to County well within time. As usual, overall, the paths are up to standard. The footpaths have been waterlogged owing to the severe bad weather. Plans are in hand for some work to be done by K S Fencing on the steep access to the footpath opposite Lower Clifton Farm. We have received the P3 grant of £100 for the coming year. James concluded his report by tendering his resignation as P3 Co-ordinator.

Council recorded sincere thanks to James for his years of work with P3 and the good relationship established and maintained with County Parish Paths personnel.

7. Any Other Business. None

The meeting closed at 10.20 p.m.