COTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: Councillor Clerk: Tina Newell 25 Shakespeare Road, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 1TU.

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Wednesday 11 May 2022 at 7.00pm in Cotton Village Hall

Present: Peter Gibbs (PG) (Chairman), Tina Newell (TN) (Clerk), and 58 members of the public.

- 11522/01 Peter Gibbs as Chairman of Cotton Parish Council welcomed all to the meeting. It was agreed by all present to re-order the agenda to take items of public interest first:
- 11522/02 National Grid East Anglia Green Energy Enablement (GREEN) project: Andrew Stringer (County Councillor) gave a brief but detailed presentation of the proposal to install electricity pylons along the Eastern edge of the Parish.
- 11522/03 After a lengthy discussion members of the public unanimously expressed opposition to the proposal. Whilst the Parish Council agreed they will reply with a formal comment the consultation is open for all to comment.
- 11522/04 47 members of the public left.
- 11522/05 Apologies: none
- 11522/06 Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the Annual Parish meeting held on 6 May 2021 were approved and all present agreed for PG to sign these as an accurate record of the meeting.

Reports were heard from various Parish groups and where available will be appended to these minutes:

- 11522/07 Bacton & Cotton Local History Society: The Chairman gave a verbal report confirming the group meet on the third Tuesday of the month in Bacton village hall. For more information please visit http://cotton.onesuffolk.net/ourvillage/clubs-groups/bacton-and-cotton-local-history-society/
- 11522/08 St Andrew's Parish Church: a report was received and is appended to these minutes.
- 11522/09 Parish Council accounts: The Chairman confirmed the Parish Councils accounts are available on the website.

- 11522/10 Parish Council Chairman's report: The Parish Council Chairman gave a brief report; the full report is appended.
- 11522/11 Parish matters: No comments.
- 11522/12 Date of the next meeting: Noting the meeting must be held between March 1 and June 1 it was agreed to hold the next Annual Parish meeting on 10 May 2023.