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**GRESHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**Held on Wednesday 5th May 2021 at 7pm via Zoom**

Present: G. Wright (Chairman), Cllr. C. Arnold, Cllr. S. Ilsley, Cllr. A. Sanders, Cllr. S. Smith

In Attendance: Mrs. S. Hayden (Clerk),

Chair of Friends of All Saints Church, Gresham

One member of the public

The meeting commenced at 7.05pm

As the Chairman was attending by telephone and therefore not able to chair the meeting it was proposed Cllr. Smith chair the meeting. Resolved.

1. The Minutes of the Parish Annual Meeting dated 8th May 2019 were approved and would be signed by the Chairman of that meeting, following this meeting.

2. There were no matters arising

3. Report by Chairman covering the activities of the Parish Council

The Clerk read the Chairman’s Report, a copy of which is annexed to these Minutes.

4. Report by the Friends of All Saints Church, Gresham

The Chair of the Friends gave her report, a copy of which is annexed to these Minutes

5. Report by Gresham Methodist Church

The Clerk read out the report from Gresham Methodist Chapel as follows.

“Gresham Chapel has missed 26 services during lockdown, but we did have a Harvest Festival Service and collected food gifts for the Cromer Rood Bank. We opened again in December just in time for a Carol services and we have now been back since Easter Sunday. We can only seat 12 people, 2 metres apart and services are very different. Wearing masks – no singing – no tea and biscuits!! But we are grateful we can meet together. Like everyone else we haven’t been able to do any fund raising, so we are grateful for your [Gresham Parish Council] grant of £150 towards our upkeep. Finally, this year in May our Chapel is 150 years old, sadly no celebrations but we are thankful to still be open for worship.”

6. Public questions, representations and discussion

Gresham Village Hall Association had sent a report which is annexed to these Minutes and which the Clerk read out

A member of the public and a School governor spoke on their behalf in connection with parking at the School. She explained the car park was closed to cars to enable groups of pupils to be taken into School in a socially distanced way. She would like to thank the Village Hall Association for their permission to use their car park during restrictions. The School was growing which meant more cars were arriving and departing.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.30pm