

SOUTHERY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
Monday 13 May 2019 at 7.00 pm
Southery Methodist Church, Ferry Bank

Attendance:

Cllr Crispin Copsey
Cllr Alison Youngs
Cllr Annette Osler
Cllr Christopher Edwards
Cllr Roger Whitehead
Cllr Crispin Copsey
Helen Richardson, Parish Clerk

Also in attendance:

Cllr Martin Storey, NCC and BCKLWN Councillor
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1. Record attendance and receive apologies

Cllr Christine Feltwell.

2. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising

Approved.

3. Parish Council Chairman's Report

The meeting received a verbal report from the Chair of the Council.

4. Reports from Community Organisations, if any

Swish - The Southery Carnival 20th July, under the sea theme, and shared if anyone wished to take part in the parade to get in touch.

5. Church Ruins

Judith and Marian from the Church attended as representatives.

They advised that they were a small congregation at the Church and didn't feel they were able to look after the two churches. There was an employee at the Diocese who was seeking funding for work to the Church Ruin and it is on the Church Risk Register as it had deteriorated over the last few years. Their architect had recommended that it be brought down to a meter height as the ivy was holding it up. They also wished to move the gravestones to the side and plant wildflowers. They also had ideas about placement of benches and they felt it was a good location for viewing the fens. The diocese thought that it would be a good project for lottery funding and would be another good community asset. They advised that to get the grant they needed support from the village and written support from the Parish Council, and volunteers to help them, not just for now but in the future. .

Discussion took place about who was responsible for the grounds maintenance at the church ruin. The Diocese was fully responsible for the ruin building itself. It was agreed that the Parish Council would add to their June agenda for further discussion.

6. Public comments and discussion

Meeting closed at 7.30 pm