**PRESENT**: Mr. I Langley (Chair), Mr. R Burton, Mr. R West, Mrs J Cooper and Mrs. R Warne (Clerk to the Parish Council)

# **OTHER RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE: 8**

### 1. Apologies

Apology received and accepted from Councillor R Green and J Hyde

#### 2. County Councillor Report

Written report received from Cecile Irving-Swift and this was read out at the meeting

#### 3. District Councillor Report

Written report received from Cecile Irving-Swift and this was read out at the meeting

#### 4. Chairman's report

Councillor Langley thanked everyone for attending Councillor Langley reported on the following:-

- Quiet year for planning no contentious issues
- No progress on the footpath
- New street light installed near Spring Cottage
- Thanks to Councillors and Rosie for all their work during the year
- Thanks to Ollie for organising the litter pick

### 4. Reports from village organisations: -

- a) **East Farndon Parochial Church Council** Letter received advising of the intention to apply to close the churchyard and to notify that if successful then would like the Parish Council to take over responsibility. Item to be on the May agenda for further discussion
- b) Village Hall Trustees report was read out and written copy is available on request.
- c) **East Farndon United Charities** Report was read out and written copy is available on request. Richard West has been approached with a view to being elected to replace Mrs. C Frazer in 2017 and Parish Council to discuss this at the May meeting
- d) Burial Ground Committee No report received
- e) **Neighbourhood Watch** Emails are being regularly circulated which keeps everyone involved in crime. There is a marked increase in crime in Daventry area as the recording of crimes has been changed
- f) Footpath Warden Report was read out and written copy is available on request.
- g) Women's Institute Report was read out and written copy is available on request.
- h) **East Farndon Amenity Land** There are drainage problems on the land and professional firm have inspected and unfortunately there is no remedial action which can solve the problem. Have ongoing public liability insurance which is payable annually and there is a buffer fund for maintenance.
- i) **Police Report** written report was read out and copy is available on request

## 5. Finance

Clerk reported that the Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 have been successfully audited both internally and externally. Accounts are in good order and the Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 are being finalised and will be brought before the Parish Council at the May meeting for approval.

## 6. Any Other Business

- Skip has re-appeared in dangerous position Clerk to report to Matt Taylor
- Footpath inner kerb edge is overgrown and narrowing the footpath Clerk to report to Highways
- Seat on the triangle will be getting re-concreted in
- Drains have sunken on Main Street and investigation needed suggestion that Ian Boyes/Ian Smith meet with Councillors to do a village walkabout
- Discussion took place regarding signs and small jobs needed in village Clerk to investigate the use of the payback scheme

**Date of next meeting** – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 – Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

Councillor Langley thanked everyone for attending and presenting their reports to the Parish Council

Meeting closed at 8.34 PM.

# Signed that the Minutes are a true and accurate record

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_