MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF HUGHENDEN VALLEY DIG

Hughenden Village Hall Meeting Room, Coombe Lane, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe Bucks HP14 4NX

Thursday 9th June 2016 at 7pm

Attendees:

David & Debbie White (DW/DAW)
Paul Woodford (PW)
Iain Lemon (IL)
Matt Hopkins (MHo)
Sarah Mustapha (SM)
Martin Hall (MH)
Angus Idle (AI)
Elizabeth Carless (EC)

Apologies: Deborah Lemon, Sam /Bex Morrison, Steve Kirkpatrick, Simon Cooke, Simon Kearey, John Gladwin, David Carroll

Agenda:

- 1. Chairman's look back on 2015/16
- 2. Financial report
- 3. Election of Committee
- 4. AOB

		Action
1.0	Chairman's look back at 2015/16	
	DW felt that progress has been made in several areas over the last 12 months:	
	 The Bucks County Council/Defra meeting in May Thames Water's 'Marlow Drainage Strategy Document' to which we made changes and the appointment of Gareth Evans. The confirmation by TW that if the events of 2014 repeated themselves, pumps would be provided. Potential funding via the BCC/Defra feasibility study for flood alleviation (Alex was supposed to be coming back to us in May regarding this – DW to follow up) That there are now procedures to follow in the event of further flooding and that this can be referred to on the HVDIG website 	DW
	It was felt that continued pressure needs to be put on BCC with regards to the maintenance of drains and ditches – this particularly relates to properties from Vale Cottage to Elwood. DW discussed the possibility of invoking 'the law of nuisance' and involving a solicitor as there is considerable legal precedence in relation to failing to carry out maintenance.	ALL

	It was agreed that there is no need to call an agencies meeting as work seems to be in progress.	
	PW was satisfied that whilst the website had a low amount of hits, it was a worthwhile project which had done much to raise the profile of the chalk stream in Hughenden. Al agreed to add more information to this section of the website via PW.	AI
	DW to send to PW the wording used by Helen Page from the Environment Agency regarding the 'right to protect property' to add to the HVDIG website.	DW
2.0	Financial Report	
	Bob Hawkins has now signed off the HVDIG year end accounts, a copy of which is attached for information. HVDIG has raised £120 and spent £64 on the website, a logo and room hire. £140 is left in funds.	
3.0	Election of Committee	
	It was agreed that all current positions should remain the same.	
4.0	AOB	
	No other business	