

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF CLOUGHTON PARISH HELD IN ST. MARY'S
CHURCH HALL ON MONDAY 9th MAY 2011 AT 7.00PM**

Present: Councillor P Couch- Chairman of the Parish Council in the chair.
5 parishioners (all Parish Councillors)
Borough Cllr. A Backhouse
Mrs J Marley – Clerk to the Parish Council
PC1833 Nicholson

A1/11 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Parish Cllr. J Green (work commitment).

A2/11 MINUTES

Having been previously circulated, the minutes of the Annual Assembly of 10th May 2010 were **approved** as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

A3/11 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr. Couch reported on the year's activities. The Queen & Duke of Edinburgh had paid a private visit to the village on 20th May. Discussions had continued on the Duchy of Lancaster's Village Plan & a planning application was to be submitted in the near future. The village pantomime had been well attended and provided distraction from the bitter weather and deep snow we were plagued with. Cober Hill was celebrating 90 years as a guest house. Jo Green had stepped down from the Parish Council in order to concentrate on his farm move.

A4/11 REPORTS

a) Police:

A written report received from the Police showed the relatively low level of crime and problems in the area which needed Police involvement. Speeding through the village remains a perennial problem and speed checks are regularly being done. Good liaison between the Council and the PCSO had proved useful.

b) ROCA:

A written report received from ROCA referred to the Duchy's Village plan, their concern about the condition of the playground, and their success in obtaining a £1125 grant which was being used to buy a laptop and set up a website.

c) Brownies:

Written report from Mrs A. Couch. Events attended by the Brownies during their Centenary Year included a regional meet at Harewood House and a day out on the North York Moors Railway plus a centenary celebration on 20th October at the Spa.

d) Cloughton Village Fund:

Mrs Hill reported on another successful year of fundraising which included the Beauty & The Beast as the annual pantomime, a Wheel Tappers & Shunters Club night. From the proceeds of a very popular Old Time Music Hall evening organised by Mark Gay £300 was donated to Orchard House. The Cresta Players are also popular, as is the London Philharmonic Skiffle Orchestra.. Most recent "do" was to celebrate the wedding of the Queen's grandson, Prince William, to Kate Middleton – there was a children's disco with a free barbecue provided by the Methodist Church, followed by evening entertainment by Danny Wilde & the Gay family and a buffet which was also provided by the Gay family. Proceeds from the wedding "do" will be donated to a local charity.

e) Cricket Club:

Mr D. Baker reported local support was excellent and four teams (2 senior and 2 junior) were enjoying considerable success and support. The new pavilion is now complete and proving a major asset to the club. the wicket has been relaid and the club is now the proud owner of new sight screens and roll on covers.

A5/11 PUBLIC OPEN FORUM

No matters raised.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.20 pm.

Paul Couch, Parish Council Chairman