

Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly  
held on Thursday 28 May 2009  
in Elswick and District Village Hall commencing at 7.45pm

**PRESENT:** Cllrs J Rowe (Chair), Emmington, Hayhurst, James, and Taylor.

**In attendance:** Mrs K Coleman (Clerk) and 1 Parishioner.

**1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS:**

Members of the Public were welcomed to the meeting.

**2. MINUTES -** Of the meeting held on 1 May 2008 were read, approved and signed as a correct record.

**3. MATTERS ARISING**

The Chairman went through all the points raised at the last Parish Assembly. He reported that most issues had been resolved and that Karen Galloway from LCC had been contacted. A site visit had been made and LCC reported that a pavement between Ashlea and Hoole House was not possible to implement due to availability of land. The question of reducing the speed limit along Lodge Lane had not been resolved so contact with LCC would be made again.

High Street Parking – this issue was again discussed and it was agreed that Karen Galloway should be contacted.

**4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT**

Councillor Rowe reported that once again Elswick had done well in the NW in Bloom competition coming joint 2<sup>nd</sup> place with St Michaels. Cllr Rowe thanked Andrew and Geoff and other volunteers for their time and effort.

He went on to report that the Council had reduced the precept figure and as a consequence Elswick were no longer requesting the highest precept.

A memorial plaque had been erected and the opening of the new playground had taken place this year. Cllr Rowe commented that the playground appeared to be well used without too many problems arising. He thanked everyone for their efforts with fund raising and bid submissions.

A Parish Council website was now up and running and was continuing to be updated/maintained by Cllr Taylor.

The Youth Club in the Village had been started early in 2009 and appeared to be doing well with great support from several adults.

Cllr Rowe concluded by thanking all Cllrs and members of the public that had worked hard for the village during the last year and thanked everyone for attending.

**5. OPEN FORUM**

No other points were raised.

..... Chairman ..... Date