The Annual Parish Meeting was held on Wednesday 11th April 2018 at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Refreshments were served at 7pm prior to the meeting.

<u>Present</u> were Chairman Cllr P Lenehan, Cllrs G Hawkins, L. Harris, S.Mealing, T.Samson, DCC Cllr Iain Chubb& the Clerk as well as 11 members of the public.

- <u>1. Apologies</u> were received from Cllrs D Higgs ,Cllr A Peters ,EDDC Cllr Evans-Martin, Martin.Mitchell.Julia&Charlie Hutchings, Liz&Tony Hoare, Arnie James, Malcolm Armstrong(Feniton School),Mr Mrs H Channon and Gordon Pring.
- <u>2. Minutes</u> of the last meeting (26.04.2017) were distributed and signed as a true and correct record. This was proposed by Cllr Hawkins and seconded by Cllr Mealing.
- <u>3. Guest Speaker</u>- Keith Denning, from the Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service Air gave a very informative (and humorous) talk on Fire Safety in the home. In addition to explaining the main causes of fire in the home and how to avoid the risks, he also explained the purpose of the free home safety visits that they carry out.
- 5. Devon County Councillor's Report- Cllr Iain Chubb gave a short report where he talked about the major problems with potholes; change in Healthcare; introduction of fast broadband and how the new recycling arrangements where keeping Council Tax down, waste is now going to Marsh Barton and not landfill. He also gave a short report on behalf of EDDC Cllr Evans- Martin where he reported on the relocation of EDDC from the Knowle to Exmouth and Honiton; recycling and garden waste collection. Questions were put to him regarding Health and Education to which he replied that the MP's for Devon were fighting to get fairer funding for Devon and the South West; Care in the Community- no long term plan in place and the matter of how many more houses did Devon need.

4. Chairman's Annual Report – as read by Cllr Lenehan.

There has been a change to the Council since our last APM, last summer Councillor John Clarke had to stand down following an accident and injury to his leg but not before he had done a brilliant job renovating the telephone box so thanks very much John! Andrew Peters has joined us and we are delighted to have someone on the Council to represent the farming community.

Looking for a new Cllr gave me cause to stop and think what it is that the PC actually does, and how to answer the inevitable question "what exactly is involved?"

It's easy to think of the projects that have a major impact on the community, such as supporting the TBC, or hosting a public meeting on the role of NW in the 21 Century, and helping to raise awareness for fairer funding for our schools. But the truth is that most of our time is spent on small matters that mean a lot to people, such as pot holes, dog fouling, fly-tipping, bonfires and litter. And then there's the hot potato that is Planning!

FINANCIAL: Every December the PC meets over mince pies at Gerry's house to decide our budget for the forthcoming year, which in turn, sets the precept for our funding. As householders, we've all recently received our Council Tax Bill for 2018/9 and I hope you noticed that Talaton PC was the *only* authority requesting LESS money than last year!

We pride ourselves that we spend your money wisely and for the benefit of everyone. These are some of the things we have done in the last twelve months.

Annual donation of £500 to the Talaton Calendar; Purchase of the village Christmas tree Materials and Labour for maintenance of all village benches; £50 donation to TRIP Honiton (a charity supporting mobility);£50 donation to Devon Air Ambulance (last year's speaker);A one-off donation of £150 to Villages in Action; Hosting the Parish web-site; Provision of a public notice board on the Moor (courtesy of Barry Thorne) via the Parishes Together Fund

Brief explanation of PTF: Government funding of £1.10 per elector from the 'new home bonus'. PC's are encouraged to work together, minimum of two PC's but could be more. The amounts given do not have to be matching. In 2017 we gave £50 to Plymtree PC who wanted to purchase gazeboes and we received £50 from them towards the cost of the new notice board which is unlocked and open to everyone (including other villages) to promote events and activities.

In Jan 18, having no project of our own to fund, we decided to give the whole amount to Plymtree PC to fund lighting for a night time landing site for the Devon Air Ambulance, something that could easily benefit Talaton residents.

Grant Giving: We have £500 which was awarded as follows: - £200 to Talaton Parish Hall towards the cost of a new cooker. £200 to Tale Valley Trust for conservation work and £100 to Talaton PCC to pay for a band to play at the outdoor village carol singing in Dec 2018

We also helped the Parish Hall on two occasions; by buying the bistro tables and them re-paying us, they saved the VAT. We paid for their recent planning application for an extension, as PC's get a preferential rate

We were able to secure free places for Andy May & Phil Deacon to attend Chapter 8 training which will allow the road to be legally closed for Village Day and other significant events

So, returning to my reflections on what it is the PC does and what is involved in the role of Cllr, I realised that all a Cllr needs to do is care; care about our village, care about our community and care about the environment. We need to be honest, fair and impartial and endeavour to always do the right thing. I can truthfully say that every member of the Council and our Clerk, does all of the above.

6 Reports from Village and Local organisations followed

a. Feniton School Report from Malcom Armstrong, Foundation Governor read by Linda Harris

It has been a successful year for Feniton Primary School. As always it has been packed with exciting projects. The children have explored the Solar System in a visiting, inflatable planetarium and they won a local environmental competition with the Devon Wildlife Trust which involved a yearlong campaign to conserve marine wildlife. We have also introduced more structured, physical activity at lunchtimes improve the children's fitness levels and the sessions are proving very popular. We have achieved our Gold Sports Mark for the second year running. Results at the end of the Academic Year in July 2017, exceeded National averages for both Children's Attainment in Early Years, End of Year 1 Phonetics Screening, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 for Reading, Writing and Maths. The focus this year is now on improving the outcomes and progress of our highest attaining pupils.

We benefit greatly from working closely with our Federation partner, Tipton St. John Primary. We have regular joint staff meetings and teacher training to enable our staff to work alongside each other. We also continue to work with schools within the Local Learning Community and teachers meet to moderate their assessment judgements of children's writing. Our links with St. Martin's, Cranbrook and Withycombe Raleigh, Exmouth – also Church Schools, have grown over the last twelve months and Feniton School has benefited from collaborative working in our Early Years. We have also trained together on the effective deployment of Teaching Assistants and the effective teaching of fractions in Maths.

We were very sorry to say goodbye to Rev. Cate and have been very grateful for the ongoing support of Rev. Danny Beaven and Rev. Steve Weston, who continue to support the School and attend our Family Service at 3pm on Fridays. Looking ahead, school funding is going to continue to be a huge challenge. All schools face Significant funding cuts and increased costs and it will be a challenge for us all to maintain high standards. Year on year, for the last few years, Feniton School has reduced the amount of Teaching Assistant support. Last year this was cut by a further 10 hours. Cuts are having to be made to many budgets in 2018 e.g. Curriculum supply budget is being cut from £1950 to £1400, a drop of £500. Maths budget is being reduced from £550 to £350. PE transport for children to attending sports competitions is being reduced from £850 to £600. And the Devon Association of Governors (DAG) to ensure the very best deal for the children www.schoolcuts.org.uk calculates the effects of rising costs against reduced budgets and shows that the effect on Feniton Primary School, by 2019/20, will be a loss of £49,716.

The Otter Valley Governing Board face difficult financial decisions to be able to balance the budget and this is only going to get harder but we are not alone and we will continue to take great care with how we spend money. We will lobby local MPs and work with the Devon Association of Primary Heads (DAPH), National Association of Headteachers (NAHT) and the Devon Association Of Governors (DAG) to ensure the very best deal for the children who attend Feniton Primary School. AMANDA PARSONS – Head of School

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b. Parish Hall Managers Committee report was given by Chris Jervis.

Firstly, apologies from Mark James (Chair) and Tony Hoar (Treasurer) who are unable to be here tonight. The Committee comprises 11 Trustees comprising 3 elected officers, 5 representatives of organisations and 3 co-opted members. It's been a busy and productive year – we have run a number of events which Tom will tell you about later in the meeting. Our finances are stable – we currently have over £11000 in the bank and our income from fund raising events, Hall hire and 100 club covers our outgoing expenses. There have been and will continue to be unexpected expenses so we feel keeping a financial safety net is a prudent strategy. Having said that we are committing funds for a new cooker. Those of you who came to Lyndsey's last Big Breakfast may have realised just how hard it was catering for large numbers on the current cooker. We hope this will help our Hall promotions where food is provided and will encourage outside hirers who may wish to have catered events.

Simon Spencer aka Calendar Editor, has outlined our plans for the proposed Hall extension. This may be a long term project but we hope that by extending down the roadside of the building we will increase our storage and allow us to separate the bar from the kitchen plus giving us a cloakroom. The planning application has been submitted and we will keep you posted.

We would like to ask for your help with one of our regular Hall activities. We want to ensure that the annual How d'ye do delivers everything that you want it to. We want to keep the elements you love but add new ideas. We will be putting a questionnaire in the village shop that will give you the opportunity to make suggestions and give criticisms. We would be very grateful if as many of you as possible would take the time to complete this.

Finally, on behalf of the Committee I would like to thank all the villagers and village organisations who use the Hall and enable it to continue as a thriving, vital community resource.

c. Talaton Village Shop Report was given by Trish Lenehan

This report is focused on our role and involvement within the community rather than the financial aspects of the business which are fully disclosed at our AGM later in the year.

It has been a year of huge operational change for the shop and we pay full credit to our wonderful volunteers for coping with the transition.

The first quarter of the year also brought changes to some of our key suppliers who left us with little or no notice. But every cloud has a silver lining and the new suppliers are all local, provide more choice for the customer and increased profit for the shop. They include Baker & Son (Butcher) from Honiton, Graham Bidgood for Fruit & Veg and Melanie Forward for Goat meat.

Our dry-cleaning service came to an end when the provider in Honiton retired. We tried hard to find a replacement but we fell far short of the minimum requirements so, unfortunately, we lost a service that we had been providing for 23 years.

Early in 2017 we also said goodbye to Mr Willmott who had to close his newspaper delivery business very suddenly due to ill health. The shop stepped in to resume a service to the village via Pearson's of Ottery and our thanks to Pat Smith for managing all aspects of the weekly orders. The shop also co-ordinated the collection of outstanding monies owed to Mr Willmott from residents and invited donations for a retirement gift which was duly presented to him by our secretary Liz Hoar on behalf of the village.

Our financial donations this year include £500 towards the Calendar plus several raffle prizes to a variety of events throughout the year. At Christmas, we held our "guess the weight of the cake" competition and a children's lucky dip at the How D'Ye Do with all proceeds going to the Hall. We also paid for the wonderful musicians who played at the Carol Singing outside the Pub as part of the "Christmas in Talaton" joint celebrations. Another aspect of the event was running a lucky draw in the shop to choose someone to switch on the lights of the village Christmas tree and in 2017 the lucky winners were the sisters from Rydon Farm.

Our volunteers represent a wide cross section of the community including three teenagers doing their Duke of Edinburgh Award and Curate of the Parish Church, Marc Kerslake. It is thanks to all 50 volunteers that the shop is open 7 days a week providing a much needed service to the community.

d. Parochial Church Council report was given by Lady Ann

We are lucky to have Chris Martin as our vicar; he is now established as a vicar which gives him much greater security than if he was a priest in charge. He cannot be moved to another parish unless he agrees to go!

Marc Kerslake our curate is an ex-policeman and has had an interesting previous career with the Devon & Cornwall police. He is un-licensed as yet to take all services but will after he is ordained later this year. Between the 2 of them they ensure we always have a service on 4 Sundays a month in Talaton.

We have traditional services in the church and many extra ones like Mothering Sunday, Plough Sunday and the very popular Crib service on Christmas Eve.

The Church hosts the BBQ in the church car park and we have held Breakfasts in the Parish Hall with interesting speakers. Our church continues to take Safeguarding very seriously and has complied with all the duties under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline measure 2016. We are in touch with Voneus as they want to put an antenna for a quicker broadband in the village. The total spend by the church this year was very nearly £27000 or £73 a dat. This is to keep the church open, heated and insured and also enables us to contribute to a number of Local, national and international charities.

e. Village Day Committee report was given by Lyndsey Trimmer.

Well here we are again. Where does the time go? Village Day is fast approaching & the committee are busy putting everything in place. Last year's event was a great success despite the cold wind & rain showers. The Otter Morris Dancers kicked off the afternoon with great energy & Wilf McNeilage's band ended the event also with great energy.

The grand total raised last year was £835 largely due to the raffle which made up £379 of it. Many thanks to Jan & Andy May for organising it.

Village Day is a tradition in our wonderful village that encourages family & friends to come together for good old fashioned fun. We are only a small committee of seven & would like to express our thanks to everyone who supports the event year on year. We look forward to 2018's which will be on Saturday 9th June. As always the ever popular dog show will be there, along with a variety of craft stalls, games & cream teas in the hall. The event will continue into the evening with live music in the pub from 6.30pm.

<u>f. Produce Association report</u> was given by Pam Weston.

Once again our small, but perfectly formed committee met 6 times. Membership remains a staggering £2 for the whole family. Numbers remain stable, but we are always ready to welcome new members so that more villagers can enjoy the benefits of club concessions: - 50% off Dobie's seeds and 15% off plants and equipment. We have had another good year with our very successful and popular stalls at Village Day and the How D'ye Do, thanks to everyone who contributed to them. In June we visited Kingston Lacy for our annual outing. Fewer people signed up for this but those of us who went were treated to a very interesting day, the chance to get up close and personal to many famous old masters in the lovely house, wander in the gardens and be impressed by the veg gardens and the public allotments. We came back tired, but happy, as they say.

Our Annual Show in August was a great success thanks to Lesley, our show secretary, the work of the committee, but most of all to those who exhibited. Never before has the Wise Cup, for the gent awarded most points, been shared by three exhibitors. There should be some exciting competition at this year's show! In September we invited Mish Kennaway to give a talk entitled The Fall and Rise of a Country Estate. Such an interesting evening as he took us through the trials, tribulations and successes of his endeavours to keep Escot alive. Finally, in October, The Talaton Inn kindly hosted our Pumpkin Competition. This was a truly lovely family evening. There were some amazingly beautiful carvings and the humour we saw last year continued. It was good to see more children's entries. Maria and her Mum did us proud. Many thanks to them both. Monthly gardening tips from Jim Buttress are now put on our website, in addition to those we publish in the Calendar. Activities in the pipe line: The plant stall on Village Day followed by all contributions gratefully received! This summer's outing is a visit to Overbecks Saturday 16th June. The Annual Produce Show on Saturday August 11th; a talk in September - speaker still to be confirmed. The Pumpkin Competition in late October. Happy gardening!

g. Talaton Clay Shoot Club report from Gordon Pring was given by Linda Harris.

The Talaton Clay Shoot continues to thrive. Our membership remains at 24, though we usually have around a dozen members at each of our, first Saturday of the month, shoots. We reported last year that we no longer placed a limit on the number of members, so we are always open to take on more local people. If anyone would like to have a go contact me, or Martin Mitchell or any other member. You don't have to have a shotgun or shotgun certificate. Instruction will be given both on how to shoot and more importantly about our rigorous safety standards. We once again held our two annual competitions of Top Gun and our handicap event. Modesty prevents me from naming the

winner of the top gun trophy. I can however comment on his superb shooting, which was truly remarkable. The winner of the handicap trophy was Geoff Bowden who had the satisfaction of narrowly beating his son, Max, in that competition. The two runners up in each of the competitions were junior members, Max Bowden who I've already mentioned and Nicholas Wright. The trophies were presented at our annual dinner. This was once again held in the Talaton Inn. We took over the entire dining room and greatly enjoyed a magnificent 4 course dinner.

On the social side, our thanks again to Andrea Down and family for putting on the occasional BBQ at our Saturday shoots. The hot dogs and burgers were cooked to perfection.

Last year we reported that we had recruited our first lady member, Ellie. Sadly, for romantic reasons, it looks as if we are going to lose her. Owing to a shared interest in shooting, Ellie has met the love of her life. Unfortunately for us he lives in Scotland, which we have to accept, is rather a long two way trip for a Saturday mornings shooting. There is however a moral to the tale, which might persuade other single young ladies to join the Clay Shoot. It was not so much "Annie get your Gun" as "Ellie got her Man". So single ladies, shooting might change your love life.

Finally I'd like to say a big thank you to David Wright who, free of charge, lets us use his field for our monthly shoots and store our equipment there.

h. Talaton Panto report was given by Trish Lenehan.

The pantomime group was created to raise funds for the Parish Hall and that is still our aim – along with entertaining the village of course. Our last performance was a Revue in January 2017 when for two nights the Hall was transformed once again into the Paradise Club, showcasing a host of local talent.

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to one of our founder members, Dylis Allen who passed away just a week ago. You may not realise it but it's down to her that our panto group exists at all. Forty seven years ago, during a meeting of villagers who were trying to raise funds for the Parish Hall, Dylis suggested "why don't we do a Panto?" As a result, our first panto was performed in 1971; "When Hembury Fought" written by Ted & Diana Spencer.

In all of the years that followed, Dylis famously only missed two productions, one when she gave birth to her youngest child and the other when she was seriously ill in hospital following a stroke in 2005. Who can forget Dyl's comedic performances, especially the dances she did in recent years for the revue. In particular, the Sand Dance with Nickie Bitschi?

She was a great character who will be sorely missed by everyone in the panto group.

i. Talaton Broadband Committee was given by Bob Abrahams

The Talaton Broadband Journey started in June 2016 with a survey of residents to establish the need for fast broadband. Residents were advised to claim CDS vouchers while talks started with scheme providers. A community meeting with Voneus was organised and 120 properties committed to the proposal and outline agreements. In October 2016 Voneus commenced work with BT to provide a backhaul leased line service from Whimple to Talaton. December 2016 Voneus start rollout of wireless equipment on properties and identify hop-point sites. February 2017 evidence the BT leased line arrangement would not be completed in time for the CDS vouchers to be used. March 2017 Voneus identify Exeter Science Park as a host for wireless equipment. Initial communications between Voneus and ESP prove promising and an outline of arrangement is agreed. Delays with ESP continued right through till October 2017 when the infrastructure build commenced. November 2017 ESP infrastructure went live for 103 residents. December 2017 Voneus start work on remaining

difficult to reach connections. February 2018 Parochial Church Council approached regarding and additional church hop-point to connect remaining residents and extend service beyond Talaton.

Benefits included download speeds of 15-25mbps, upload speeds of 10-20mbps, provided a vital lifeline for small businesses, improved interest/attraction when a property is placed on the market.

j. Talaton Village Hall Events report from Tom and Frances Samson.

Despite the fact that this year has been a very challenging year, due to the temporary closure of the Devon based charity Villages in Action, which up to now has provided the backbone for the majority of events, Talaton Parish Hall has managed to sustain and actually further develop the number and range of events put on in our hall. There have been five events so far this year, we began the season with a return visit by "The Red Dirt Skinners". This was followed by an evening of comedy with Mervyn Stutter. This evening with Mervyn Stutter was a catered event with food provided by Frances Samson, Chris Jervis, Sybil Mealing and Pam Weston. As usual the catering drew as much praise as the actual performance! The pre-Christmas season concluded with an evening of stunning cabaret, "Snow Angel" with Charlie Bicknell, Louise Innes, an acrobat and musician. The spring season has so far seen a production of Alison Neil's one woman play, "The Fossil Lady of Lyme" and an evening with the international guitarist Claude Bourbon. Again, the evening with Claude Bourbon was a catered event. This year, without the support of central advertising and grant funding that has, in the past, been part of the Villages in Action package financial margins have been very tight but overall the events have returned a small profit for the hall, while at the same time providing a very varied programme of extremely high-quality performance arts.

The Villages in Action scheme is now in the process of coming back and our final event of the season, a programme of Dance and Physical Theatre with Crystal Zillwood and House of Strays Collective performing this Friday 13th April at 7.30pm, is part of the Villages in Action caretaker season administered by Carn to Cove the Cornish Rural Touring Scheme.

Next year there will, once again, be a fully supported Villages in Action programme available to be booked. Villages in Action will continue to be linked to and administered by the Cornish scheme for the next two years. This linked programming is guaranteed Arts Council Funding until June 2020. In the last year it does seem to have become harder work generating audiences for professional rural touring events and if Talaton is continue to play its part in supporting Villages in Action, and thus ensuring the continued survival of rural touring in Devon, larger sized audiences will have to be generated, in order that we draw the minimal amount of financial support required to support our evenings. Frances and I have now been involved in Rural Touring Promotion in Talaton for four years and we feel that the time has come for someone else to begin to take over the running of these events. To this end we are hoping to encourage someone to join us for the running of the autumn events, which are already in the process of being planned, with the idea that the new promoter is able to book and promote events for the spring of 2019, with our advice and assistance, if needed.

k. Talaton Neighbourhood Watch report from Andy May

Status of our scheme: Since July 2017 the scheme has been managed by Andy and Jan May. TNHW built upon the previous structure and are now one of very few nationally verified in this area. TNHW have created a dialogue with The Devon and Cornwall Community Watch Association (DaCCWA); D&C Local policing team; Police Crime Commissioners office (PCC) &D&C Preventative and Communities Policing inspector.

The parish has been divided into 9 wards with a nominated co-ordinator for each. The role of dedicated co-ordinator with responsibility for all the farms across the whole parish has been created. The parish web site now has a dedicated page for TNHW. On this is displayed TNHW's statement of purpose, a map to help clarify the ward structure, list of co-ordinators, links to useful web sites and a resume of recent circulations. The Calendar still has a dedicated list of contacts displayed inside the front cover. When appropriate, full page entries have given details of the scheme or articles of timely crime prevention advice. TNHW offers direct contact with households and businesses by email, phone or in writing regarding appeals, notifications and crime prevention advice. It remains a goal for the TNHW to provide this enhanced free service to the widest possible audience within the parish.

Statistics: The figures provided here are for the period 01/07/2017 to 31/03/2018. TNHW have dealt with 9 incidents of which 3 required notification to the local policing team. TNHW have joined the Devon and Cornwall police alert system. They have received and reviewed 44 separate notifications of which 7 have been passed on either to a select portion or all of those who have requested our enhanced service.

Councillor advocate scheme: TNHW were approached in October by the Parish Council in relation to a new role being created by the PCC. TNHW have been in regular direct communication with implementation team. The aims of the scheme contain considerable overlap with those of TNHW and duplication of effort is not ideal. At the time of writing the final draft of the roles and responsibilities for Councillor Advocates is imminent. On its receipt a decision will be made by Jan and Andy May as to whether they are prepared to take on the role and its details will be shared with the Parish Council. They have already made clear that the TNHW intends to remain independent from the Parish Council and that it is essential that confidential matters dealt with by the TNHW will not be shared with the Parish Council.

I. Community Theatre 4All report from Tom Samson.

The company is now well established and during its second year has continued to go from strength to strength. Membership continues to be principally drawn from the villages of Talaton and Whimple, with a few additional performers coming from further afield. Since last year's report two productions have been presented.

The first was a production of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" which was performed in October. It was certainly not an easy summer in which to undertake an open-air work and some rehearsals took place in bitterly cold conditions, frequently having to dodge heavy rain showers. A wet weather back-up was made available for us by Lester Bowker at Cotley Farm but by good luck we were only forced to use this space twice for rehearsals. The open-air performances on Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th October escaped the worst of the weather, indeed the weather on the Sunday was positively like summer! We were grateful for the support provided by the Village Day Committee in the provision of Gazebos to shelter the audience from showers on the Saturday but these proved unnecessary on the Sunday, when we performed to well over 100 people who had all brought pre-performance picnics and enjoyed a wonderful relaxed lunch time in the warm sunshine before the play began. Pre-performance entertainment was provided on both days with Tinners Rabbit on the Saturday afternoon and with Otter Morris on the Sunday afternoon. Following the weekend performances the play then very successfully transferred to The Institute in Ottery St Mary for its final performance on Friday 13th October. "A Midsummer Night's Dream", which was codirected by Tom Samson and Torquil McNeilage, performed to just over 250 people over the three performances, gaining much critical acclaim in the process.

The second project of the year was an Easter Passion play called "Christ in the Concrete City". This was directed by Tom Samson and presented in St Mary's church in Whimple over four performances to a total audience of 160. Following deductions of production expenses Community Theatre 4All has been able to donate £150 to Talaton Parish Hall as thanks in respect of the loan of Stage Lighting Equipment, £370 to Christian Aid and a further £370 to The Churches 4 All Mission Community. Again, this production gained much praise. This praise is perhaps best summed up in the words of my cousin, Simon Turner (eldest son of the playwright) who sent me an email shortly after he had seen the Tuesday evening performance. "Out of Dad's words you created something powerful, moving and relevant. He would have been proud of what you achieved, and I only wish he could have been there. Beyond its directly religious message, perhaps my most unexpected reaction was to the contemporary relevance of the piece. Daring to believe in something, making the effort to think, and taking responsibility for one's own actions are challenges every bit as relevant today as they were when Dad wrote the piece."

So, Community Theatre 4All now moves into its third year, with ideas already well formed for future projects, one of which will be launched in the autumn with a one-day drama workshop on the skills and styles of performance that are needed to perform 'Victorian Melodrama'. Following a period of rehearsal this project will perform in both Talaton and Whimple before then going on a tour of local village halls in the late autumn and early winter months of 2018.

7. Open Forum

Cllr Lenehan explained that the GDPR rules which come into effect from the end of May might impact on village organisations, the PC is willing to help any organisation requiring assistance. Lyndsey Trimmer made everyone aware of a phone scam which claimed to be from HMRC The Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

The meeting closed at 10.10pm