Present: Alan Jenner, Brian Myring, Paul Rayment, James Read, Steve Read, Stewart Slaney and Ron Tasker.

1.0 Apologies for absence – were received from Ivan Way, Malcolm Yarnold and our Beat Police.

2.0 Minutes of the AGM of Wednesday, 4th March 2016 were approved.

3.0 Chairman’s Report.
I must start my report with the sad loss in the past year of our Chairman Cliff Noons and of a long time Street Co-coordinator Jack Jones, both put a lot of time and effort into the Watch and will be sadly missed.

The year started with a spate of nuisance behaviour in the centre of the village, thankfully this now appears to have stopped.

Throughout the year we have had a total of seven house burglaries, this is the highest number for several years and residents are asked to be extra careful with security and ensuring items of value are not left on display. Two of the burglaries use the same method of entry (levering a patio door off its runners). The village has also had a relatively large number of thefts from motor vehicles, many of which were left INSECURE. Owners are advised to ensure their vehicles are locked with nothing on display within the vehicle. Earlier in the year there was also a number of thefts from trade vans where the criminals had physically broken into the vehicle using cutters.

The residents of Old Station Close carried out a speedwatch campaign on Hilton Road, due to the high number of vehicles ignoring the new 30mph limit.

The village defibrillator, which the Watch helped to fund, has now been installed on the wall of the Spread Eagle and training sessions have taken place, it is hoped that the equipment does not have to be used in a case of emergency.

The Watch has a problem in reducing the number of people volunteering to help the Watch Committee or to act as Area or Street Co-coordinators, the current members of the Committee are all in their 70’s and 80’s. In part we seem to be the victim of our own success. We have helped make the village crime and security aware and so relatively crime free. However without new people to maintain our Watch we stand to loose all that we have gained over the past 23 years, so your help is urgently needed.

I will conclude by thanking the Committee and Area and Street Co-coordinators for their work during the past year in keeping the Watch active.

4.0 Treasurer’s Report. (see Financial Statement attached)
In summary, Paul Rayment stated that it had been a satisfactory twelve months financially and our finances were in a strong position (see attached financial statement).

5.0 Election of Officers for the next twelve months.

5.1 Chairperson. Stewart Slaney was proposed by Alan Jenner, seconded by Paul Rayment and unanimously elected.

5.2 Vice-Chairperson. There were no volunteers for the post of Vice-Chairperson, so this will be discussed at the April monthly meeting.

5.3 Secretary. Alan Jenner was proposed by Brian Myring, seconded by Stewart Slaney and unanimously elected.

5.4 Treasurer. Paul Rayment was proposed by Alan Jenner, seconded by Brian Myring and unanimously elected.

5.5 Minutes and Communications Secretary. Malcolm Yarnold was proposed by Stewart Slaney, seconded by Paul Rayment. Brian Myring will continue to act as a deputy in this position and the appointments were agreed unanimously.

5.6 Publicity Officer. It was proposed and unanimously agreed that this post should continue, as agreed last year, unfilled. Responsibility for obtaining content for publication would remain with Alan Jenner and Malcolm Yarnold. This will be edited for printing by Ron Tasker.

6.0 Other business.

6.1 As agreed at the February monthly meeting, the subject of a non-subscription year was discussed. Treasurer Paul Rayment confirmed that the finances were in a strong position and we had sufficient funds to meet any foreseeable situation. It was then proposed by Alan Jenner, seconded by Paul Rayment and unanimously agreed that no subs would be collected this year. Membership sheets would still be circulated to all co-ordinators, along with a note detailing that no subscriptions were required, to help maintain our records up to date.

6.2 The Secretary asked the meeting if a donation could be made toward his costs of printer cartridges and paper for the printing of the annual membership list and monthly meeting notices. This was discussed by the meeting and a sum of £20 was unanimously agreed. Membership sheets would be issued in the near future and completed forms should be returned to Alan as soon as possible.
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There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.

Minutes approved…………………………………………..      Date…………………………

AGENDA FOR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY 7th MARCH 2018, AT 7.00 PM
PEARTREE COURT, RESIDENTS LOUNGE

1.0.   APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

2.0.   TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE AGM OF 1st MARCH 2017.

3.0.   CHAIRMANS REPORT.

4.0.   TREASURERS REPORT.

5.0.   ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR NEXT 12 MONTHS.

   Chairperson
   Vice-chairperson
   Secretary
   Treasurer
   Minutes and Communications Secretary
   Publicity Officer

6.0.   ANY OTHER BUSINESS.