Present:

Mr D Robertson, Chairman, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Stone, Mr Foulkes, Mr Haley, Mr Halstead, Mr Hodgson and Mr Hounslow. Mr Spencer, Colne Times,

Mrs Darcy, secretary.

1. APOLOGIES:

Apologies for absence received from Mrs Waterworth and Mr Bleasdale.

2. MINUTES:

3.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on the 30th September, 1985, approved and adopted.

September, 1985, approved and adopted. The Chairman reported that the year had been a CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS: fairly quiet one. One item which cropped up more than any other was the problem of dog fouling, not only locally but nationally as well. He mentioned several matters which had received attention, progress being made on Black Carr Mill, extension of the car park on the recreation ground and improvement which has just commenced at Old Chelsea. The attendance at meetings has been invariably good, all meetings having had a quorum with the exception of the one in May, and the Chairman said he was grateful for the good attendance. Three visitors have attended during the year, the new village policeman P.C.Lancaster on two occasions, Mr Kellett who gave an informative talk on privatisation of the bus service, and Mr Bird from the Environmental Health Department. Disappointing that there has not been more public involvement in the meetings, and it was to our loss that not one single Ward Councillor had attended during the year. Daffodils had been planted in the Autumn of 1985, and this area has been included in a tree planting scheme for 1986/7 by the Borough Council. The Chairman had laid a wreath at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Sunday. Christmas Gifts for the elderly had been collected by Mr Robertson from the Town Hall and distributed by Mr Haley and by Mr Lee at Cottontree A donation of £10 was sent to the Church Post Office. Flower Festival. An outing to the Plough Inn during the Christmas period had been enjoyed by several members. The dance held in the Spring and the Ceilidh held in October both proved both enjoyable and successful, as had the Village Show on the 4th October when we had again been fortunate in having a hot sunny day. The Chairman said there will be big changes next year and he hoped that people who had been involved in the Neighbourhood Council would stand for election for the new Trawden Forest Parish Council which will come into being on the 7th May, 1987.

The Chairman concluded his remarks by thanking Andrew

and the Colne Times for faithfully reporting our activities throughout the year, thanking all members for their help and support with particular thanks to the treasurer and secretary. The Vice Chairman, Mr Haley, proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman

on behalf of the Committee.

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4. TREASURER'S REPORT: Mrs Stone gave a brief report of the financial situation. A grant of £250 had been received from the Borough Council, and the balance in hand is £216.05.

It was proposed by the Chairman that an item should be put on the Agenda for the next meeting for discussion regarding disposal of this money prior to the formation of the Parish Council, and Mrs Robinson seconded the proposal.

- 5. NOMINATION OF OFFICERS: The Vice Chairman recommended that the Council should remain unchanged in view of the fact that only four more meetings of the Neighbourhood Council will be held, and Mr Hodgson seconded this proposal.
- 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS: The Chairman suggested that past members should be invited to the last meeting which will be held in March, 1987, but Mr Halstead objected to this proposal and id it should be an open meeting to which anyone could come along. This item to be discussed more fully at a future meeting.

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