

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF GOOD EASTER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 18TH MAY 2017 AT 8.00PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:- Cllr. Alan Hall Chairman
 Cllr. Maurice Bailey
 Cllr. Jim Willsher
 Cllr. Guy Pitt
 Cllr. Graham Seeley
 Cllr. Mrs Jill Larsen
 Cllr. Sharon West

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Lorraine Green Clerk
 2 Parishioners

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chairman advised that the Minutes of last year's Annual Parish Meeting held on the 19th May 2016 had been circulated and subsequently approved on the 28th July 2016.

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1.	<p>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR 2016 - 17</p> <p>Councillors, Parishioners, Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen. I present to you my report for the past twelve months.</p> <p>Generally a fairly quiet year with no major developments within the Parish.</p> <p>Finance – Another slight increase in the Precept caused by legal fees incurred in the transfer of the playing field to the parish council from the Matthews Family Trust.</p> <p>Once again our accounts have successfully passed both internal and external audits.</p> <p>Planning – There have been 9 planning applications made within the Parish for the past year, most of these have been for tree works within the conservation area. This is a slight decrease on the previous year.</p> <p>I mentioned previously the transfer of land to the parish council of the playing field. This has been a somewhat drawn out process but is now reaching conclusion. We are now awaiting the Land Registry Transfer Documents which will be closure to the process. I once again give thanks to the Matthews family for this generous gift to the Parish. This transfer has enabled work to commence on clearing the horse pond using Section 106 payments. The total of these payments was split three ways between the sports field committee and the Village Hall – the remaining one third going to clearing Horse Pond to return it to its former state as an asset to be enjoyed by the parish.</p> <p>Our revised website, mygoodeaster.co.uk is now up and running after a slight hold up on operating procedures! All agendas, financial information and forthcoming events are posted, leaving our notice board somewhat surplus to requirements, so avoiding the need for a renewal. The website was totally funded by central government.</p> <p>I give thanks to our ECC Chairman John Aldridge and to CCC Councillor Nicolette Chambers for their support, help and advice over the year. I thank all of our parish Councillors for the time and effort given for the benefit of others with particular reference to our vice chairman Maurice Bailey. Our heartfelt thanks go to Lorraine for keeping us in order and making sure we do everything we should be doing.</p>	
2.	<p>VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL REPORT.</p> <p>Mrs Di Hall, Secretary of the Village Hall Committee, gave the following report:-</p> <p>New member, Marie Stephenson.</p>	

	<p>New Village Hall signage by Howard Cross.</p> <p>£2,000.00 grant from Stansted and £1,175.00 grant from Parish Council from Section 106 amounting to 46% of cost for work to rear of hall. 54% met by Village Hall. Concrete laid to rear of hall, brick piers rebuilt and damage to back panel repaired.</p> <p>Inside hall and loos have been redecorated and a new kitchen unit and worktop installed and a new stop cock put in at a cost of £826.00. The Water Board have installed a new external water meter. Front and kitchen have been repainted.</p> <p>We have purchased a new Tea-urn, had the boiler serviced and fire extinguishers checked.</p> <p>Pie Supper attended by 43 people raised £488.00.</p> <p>Bookings are steady but party bookings are down. Hourly rates increased to £7.00. Insurance paid £338.93. Money in bank approx. £4,000.00.</p> <p>The Committee's thanks to Chairman, Paul West, for his hands-on work on and in the hall. The hall is in good order for the use of the village for years to come.</p>	
3.	<p>SPORTSFIELD REPORT.</p> <p>Mark Willsher, Chairman to the Sportsfield Committee gave the following report:-</p> <p>It has been a full year and Sportsfield Committee have put on enough events. Change of Committee Members. Short of numbers at moment which is a stumbling block.</p> <p>There is an action packed calendar throughout the year.</p> <p>£6,000.00 in bank. Looking to reinvest for bits on Sportsfield.</p> <p>Running fete along with cycle event. Expecting people from Holland and Germany. All weekend Event. Autocycle Jumble to be held as well as 200km cycle event in stages. Committee investigating to see if public can enter. Fete will be held on 15th July 2017. Committee are advertising on Facebook.</p> <p>Pop-up pub on Friday 19th May 2017 on Sportsfield.</p>	
4.	<p>ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA.</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
5.	<p>OPEN MEETING FOR PARISHIONERS TO RAISE RELEVANT MATTERS.</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm.