

RINGSHALL PARISH Minutes of The Annual Parish Meeting 23/05/2023

Held in Ringshall Village Hall Meeting opened at 19:00

In attendance Cllr A. Williams Vice-Chair Ringshall Parish Council

L Luther – Parish Clerk

14 members of the public (including all current or past RPC Councillors)

- 1. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 24th May 2022 **It was AGREED** that the Minutes are a true and accurate record of the Meeting held on 24th May 2022.
- 2. To consider matters arising from the Minutes **None**
- 3. To receive a report from the Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2022/23 The Vice-Chair of RPC summarised the report, highlights being:
 - Installation of a Play Area costing £70,000. Thanks were expressed to everyone involved in making this happen.
 - Quiet Lane Initiative
 - Speed Questionnaire on Lower Farm Road distributed and results collated, bringing about a Public Meeting to be held on 30th May 2023.
 - Providing thoughtful and attentive responses to Planning issues and applications within and affecting the Parish.
- 4. To receive a financial statement for the year 2021/22 See attached report from the Parish Council Clerk.
- 5. To receive a report from the representative member of SCC for 2022/23 Cllr Oakes gave a synopsis of her report, covering items such as extensive road resurfacing within the County over the past year over 150 miles and the number of trees planted within the County.
- 6. To receive a report from the representative member of MSDC for 2022/23 Cllr Pratt summarised his report, which was circulated prior to the meeting, firstly expressing thanks for his re-election. Cllr Pratt referred to the solar panels now in use in the leisure centre, providing green energy for the community facility. Additionally, the Duck and Teapot, a new visitor centre in Needham Market runs with net zero energy use and is another new green addition to the area. Recently Mid Suffolk have acquired a 2.5acre area of land which is being allowed to evolve naturally to counteract the built-up nature of Stowmarket. Cllr Pratt's locality Budget of 22-23 has been well spent, part of it going towards the 'Well-being' garden at Ringshall School.
- 7. To receive a report from the Village Hall Management Committee A report was received from Sue Watts of the RVHMC and was summarised with the main points being to thanks Maureen and John Wills for their extensive voluntary



service to the village hall over 26 years and mention the creation of the new play area. Report attached.

- 8. To receive a report from Ringshall School A report was received, not read out but is attached.
- 9. To receive the annual report from the Tree Warden A report was received and read out by the Chair. Report attached.
- 10. To receive the annual report from the Footpath Warden. A report was received and read out by the Chair. Report attached.
- 11. To receive a report from St Catherine's PCC A report was received from the PCC and was duly read out. Report attached.
- 12. To receive the annual report from the Ringshall Recorder A report was received and summarised by the Vice Chair, Cllr Williams, who commented on it being a 'wonderful snapshot' of Ringshall that would be very useful in the generations to come, to see a snapshot of the community of Ringshall. Report attached.
- 13. To receive the annual report from the Footpath Warden. A report was received and read out by the Chair. Report attached.
- 14. To consider resolutions submitted in writing to the Clerk prior to the meeting None
- 15. To discuss matters of interest to residents of Ringshall for future submission to the Parish Council None

Meeting closed at 19.28 Signed: Date: