

RINGSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Annual Parish Meeting** held on Tuesday May 24th 2016 at 7pm in Ringshall Village Hall.

Present: Mrs L Hitchcock, Ms C Boniface, Mrs A Jones, Mrs K Benton, Mr J Phoenix, Mr N Last, Mrs H Nunn (Clerk), Cllr J Truelove, Cllr Whybrow Parishioners: Mr M Snowling, Mr D Kemp

1. **To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on May 19th 2015**

The minutes were confirmed as a true record and duly signed and dated by the chairman.

2. **Matters arising from the minutes**

There were none.

3. **To receive a report on the year 2013/14 from the Parish Council chairman**

The chairman reported on the retirement of Mr John Hitchcock from the parish council after many years of service to the village. Mrs Hitchcock went on to report on the new co-opted council members, SALC training, the purchase of a defibrillator, the setting up of the website, planning applications, the problem of dog fouling on the playing field and the possibility of mains sewerage for the village. The chairman concluded her report by thanking the clerk and county and district councillor for their help and support throughout the year.

4. **To receive a financial statement for the year 2015/16**

The clerk circulated a financial statement showing income of £9754.57, expenditure of £8015.81 leaving a balance to carry forward of £9706.79. The expenditure was higher than in previous years due to the purchase of the defibrillator, training costs and Mr Hitchcock's retirement.

5. **To receive a report from the Community Police Officer**

There was no report

6. **To receive a report from the representative member of MSDC for 2015/16**

Cllr Whybrow had circulated his report and highlighted the building of 38 new council homes the like of which has not occurred for several years.

7. **To receive a report from the representative member of SCC**

Cllr Truelove circulated her report and highlighted the budget setting and devolution proposals and advised that the cuts to the fire service are to be debated once again. Cllr Truelove voiced her dismay at the loss to communities of PCSOs and added that due to the current moratorium caused by the forthcoming elections, Locality Budget grants cannot be discussed or proceed further at this time. Cllr Truelove concluded her report by thanking councillors and the clerk for their support throughout the year.

8. **To receive a report from the Village Hall Management Committee**

Mr Snowling, chairman of the VHMC read out the report which included details of current committee members, clubs which regularly use the hall and the forthcoming celebrations for the Queen's 90th birthday. The report concluded by pointing out the lack of interest from the majority of the village resulting in the cancellation of certain events.

9. **To receive a report from Ringshall School**

The clerk read out the report on behalf of the school which gave details of how the school now includes Year 6 children following the closure of local Middle schools. Information was given on various events and school trips held throughout the year as well as the plans for celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday.

10. To receive a report from St Catherine's PCC

Mrs Hitchcock read out the report on behalf of the PCC detailing those currently on the PCC and the Electoral Roll. The report also included details of the services held at St Catherine's throughout the year.

11. To consider resolutions submitted in writing prior to the meeting.

There were no resolutions.

12. To discuss matters of interest to residents of Ringshall for future submission to the Parish Council

There were none.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm