



LITTLE MAPLESTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on Wednesday 15th May 2019 at 7.00pm at the Round Church, Little Maplestead

Present: Cllr Piper, Cllr Crudgington, Cllr Alton, Cllr Bates, Dist Cllr Schwier
In the Chair: Chairman Cllr Piper
Clerk: Mrs Ann Harris
Members of Public: None

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Holloway who was unwell.

2. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 28TH MAY 2018

The Minutes were read and approved.

3. THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2018/19

The details of the 2018/19 Annual Accounts had been circulated to the Council by the Clerk. These will be posted on the LMPC Notice Board and Website for Public Review for six weeks from Monday 24th June 2019.

Proposed by Cllr Piper. Seconded by Cllr Crudgington. Approved unanimously.

4. ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18 BY THE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Piper reviewed the past year's achievements which include the installation of some new play ground equipment and also two new defibrillators. Along with these defibrillators the Council has arranged for training sessions on their use and the village now has a Village Emergency Telephone System (known as VETS) which has ten members who are available to assist in cases of emergency. Looking to the future Cllr Piper referred to improvements in the playing field which will include new bases for some of the play equipment and also changes to the entrance/exit onto Oak Road for safety reasons. The Council is now looking into the possibility of siting and investigating funding grants for a mobile phone mast to serve the community. Cllr Piper also referred to the Parochial Church Council's proposal to build a Parish Room adjacent to the Church; this is a major project will be considered by the Parish Council at future meetings as the plans develop.

The Chairman's full report to the Council is available for review in the next issue of the Partish magazine and also on the Parish Council Website.



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5. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

No report was received.

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Dist Cllr Peter Schwier introduced himself to the meeting as the newly elected District Councillor for the Braintree (BDC) ward of Gosfield and Greenstead Green. He reported that his plan is that for the next APM is that he will prepare a report to the Council in advance of the meeting but for timing reasons that had not been possible this time. He said that the BDC's continuing priorities are "jobs, homes and health" and the Conservative majority Council will continue to aim to provide low cost frontline services. He will attend in person as many of the Parish Council meetings as possible and will maintain regular contact with the Parish Clerk. He also referenced a communication that he had recently received from a Little Maplestead parishioner which he will forward to the Parish Clerk.

7. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Signed:.....
(Chairman)

Date:.....