

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on Tuesday 16th May 2023 at 7.00pm at The Round Church, Little Maplestead

Present: Cllr Piper, Cllr Holloway, Cllr Crudgington, Cllr Went, Cllr Mullineaux

Cty Cllr Schwier

In the Chair: Cllr Piper Clerk: Jenny Bishop

Members of Public: None

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None received

2. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 15th MAY 2022 The Minutes were read and approved.

3. THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2022/23

The Annual Accounts were submitted by Cllr Crudgington for approval. Proposed by Cllr Piper. Seconded by Cllr Holloway Approved unanimously.

4. ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22 FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Cllr Piper reviewed the past year's achievements. Ranging from planning applications for phone mast, which was rejected to ongoing safety issues and the village speed limit, and use of heavy vehicles. We also had village celebrations to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee and the Kings Coronation. Unfortunately we later lost our Queen. We had meetings with the Police and were fortunate enough to have a meeting with our MP, the Rt Hon James Cleverly

5. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

Cllr Schwier produced a paper that included the following information.

Even in the most uncertain and inflationary times, ECC had agreed a budget which promised increases in adult and child social care, increase in number of school places, and increased spending on cycle routes and active travel schemes, as well as highways maintenance.

Levelling up. A great deal was achieved, including the roll out of Superfast broadband, an additional 6600 devices donated to schools to support students getting on line. A £2 million boost to support people to obtain Social Care Qualifications. Parkplay was launched. Library membership has increased and 24,000 children took part in the summer reading challenge, an increase of 36.4% on 2021.



The environment and climate action.

ECC are working towards net zero, and to this end 138,349 more trees were planed, 36,681 LED street lamps installed. Other initiaves include Grants to poorer households to assist with energy efficiency, and significant discounts on solar panels through Solar Together Essex.

Waste and recycling.

Over £100m is spent each year on collection, treating and disposing of household waste in essex.

52% of household waste was recycyled in 2020/2021

The full report for both the Chairmans and County and District Councillors documents are available on request.

6 PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public were present.

Signed By Bill Piper: Chairman.