

WIMBISH PARISH COUNCIL



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Wimbish Parish Council Minutes of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on 5th May, 2021 7.30 p.m. via Zoom remote meeting

Present: Mike Young, Edward Browne, Phil Northern Lynne Ward-Booth and

Lindy Scanlan.

In attendance: Tracy Coston (Clerk) and Cllr Stewart Luck

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1. **Apologies for absence**: Ray Searle, Mike Cargill and Cllr Simon Walsh.

2. Annual Report by Chairman:

Thank you to all the Councillors for attending the meetings on Zoom. Thanks to Mike Young for getting the 30mph through Howlett End. Thanks to Ray Seale for clearing the footpath in Howlett End, around the pavilion and checking the playground equipment. The PC has installed new seats at the recreation ground and the recreation ground is looking very well cared for.

The PC are looking for quotes to increase the size of the car park to the right at the rear of the houses, to improve the parking.

3. Annual Report by Responsible Financial Officer:

The accounts were circulated, and no questions were asked.

4. Annual Report from District Councillor:

District Cllr Report to Wimbish P.C. AGM 5th May 2021

My second year as D.C. has been blighted by the disruption associated with the Covid 19 pandemic.

Communication with residents was very restricted as the village magazine ceased being produced for much of the year. I have been in contact with quite a lot of residents via e mail mainly regarding planning applications.

I am sorry I have not been able to spend more of my time at your meetings because of a perceived requirement to attend Debden P.C. meetings from 8pm. Zoom calls have made this easier to cope with.

As regards "hot topics" this year Speeding vehicles on all major roads through the village are of concern. I note at the last meeting Cllr Walsh has agreed to Lower a section of the B184 through Howlett End to 30mph.

Drainage became a problem in the very wet winter weather.

The topic of a new village hall was raised last year by residents.

I was sorry to see new tenants who came to the White Heart pub have now left and its empty.

The proposed sewage treatment system at Debden Drive Carver Barracks is still

under review by ECC and the E.A.

Recent news circulating around the village indicated serious problems at Wimbish Primary School. It would seem that the Governors have tried to support the head but ECC have sacked them. The head is now off sick. The remaining staff are coping at the moment. Obviously this is a very very serious situation which is ongoing. I am still unsure of how to respond when asked about Solar Parks its all new stuff to me. I note your PC objection to the recent planning application. I have donated to 3 projects in the village.

5. Annual Report from County Councillor: Report sent.

6. Any other questions:

The member of the public thanked the PC for providing the benches on the recreation ground which are well used. She also thanked the Clerk for helping with the car parking issues when football matches are being played on the recreation ground.

| The meeting closed at 8pm. | |
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