
















**WRENTHAM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**  
**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall at 6.30pm on**  
**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Present:**    **The Chairman** – Cllr Ian Watson  
**Councillors** – Cllr Mark Buxton, Cllr Simon Forder, Cllr Lindsay Hanger, Cllr Lucinda Hutson, Cllr Roger Middleditch, Cllr Paul Wren  
**The Clerk** – Mrs Frances Bullard via Video Conferencing  
**Suffolk County Council** – Not Present  
**East Suffolk Council** – Cllr Paul Ashton  
**Members of public** – One

	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
1	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>	
	Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Alison Evans, Cllr David Fletcher, Cllr Sue Child, Cllr Keith Perry & Cllr Annette Dunning (SCC)	
2	<b>MINUTES &amp; MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS ANNUAL PARISH MEETING</b>	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 were approved in May 2023 and published. All matters arising were reviewed & complete.	
3	<b>PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMANS REPORT</b>	
	 APM%202024%20Chairmans%20report%20.docx Cllr Watson gave his report -	
4	<b>PARISH COUNCILS DRAFT FINANCIAL REPORT</b>	
	The Internal Audit is being conducted by Mrs Rosie Carter, her report and the end of year accounts will be shared with all in due course, they will be reviewed by the Finance Committee and presented to the May PC Meeting along with the External Audit papers. Year End Accounts & other data will be published in accordance with the Transparency Code.	
5	<b>ACCOUNTS OF WRENTHAM PAROCHIAL CHARITIES</b>	
	Cllr Hanger gave a verbal report. The fund is very healthy but here have been very few requests for support – all who have approached the Charity have been helped. Cllr Hanger continues to promote the Charity and will provide a new notice for the PC noticeboard/website – The Clerk will also share this with Citizen’s Advice. All Councillors to encourage anyone in need to get in touch with the Charity. The Chairman suggested Cllr Hanger link with local foodbanks to make them aware of the charity and ask that they signpost any Wrentham residents to it for support.   APM 2024 PARISH CHARITY ACCOUNTS  Accounts were received from Cllr Fletcher & presented by The Chairman–	<b>LHa/FB</b>
6	<b>DRAFT ACCOUNTS OF WRENTHAM VILLAGE HALL</b>	
	Draft Village Hall Accounts – these are currently awaiting sign off by the Village Hall Management Committee – once received they will be brought to the May PC Meeting.   APM%202024%20Village%20Hall%20Accounts.docx Dr Drane submitted a report –  Thanks were expressed to members of the VHMC and all the volunteers who keep the hall running.	<b>FB</b>
7	<b>REPORTS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS</b>	
	 APM%202024%20Wrentham%20Bowls%20Club.docx <b>Wrentham Bowls Club</b> - report from Mrs Edna Utting –	

	<p style="text-align: center;"> APM%202024%20TIME%20FOR%20TEA%20REPORT</p> <p><b>Time 4 Tea</b> – report from Mrs Rita Perry –</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM%202024%20WRENTHAM%20SINGING</p> <p><b>Singing For Fun</b> – report from Mrs Rita Perry –</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM%202024%20ROYAL%20BRITISH%20LEGION</p> <p><b>Wrentham &amp; District British Legion</b> – report from Cllr Hutson –</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM%202024%20WRENTHAM%20LAWN</p> <p><b>Wrentham Tennis Club</b> – report from Antonia -</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM 2024 ST NICHOLAS CHURCH.</p> <p><b>St Nicholas Church</b> – report from Cllr Lindsay Hanger –</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM%202024%20VILLAGE%20RECORD</p> <p><b>Village History Recorder</b> – report from Mrs Rosie Carter –</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM%202024%20FOOTBALL%20CLUB</p> <p><b>Wrentham Football Club</b> – report from Mr Barrie Atkins -</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM%202024%20AMBULANCE%20FIRST</p> <p><b>Community First Responders</b> – report from Mr Chris Levett -</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM 2024 COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH</p> <p><b>Community Speedwatch</b> – Mr Chris Mead attended and gave his report – The Chairman advised that the PC are happy to support with kit etc. Mr Mead said a site in Chapel Road had been submitted for approval - The Clerk will chase Police for approval.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> APM 2024 WRENTHAM BAND.r</p> <p><b>Wrentham Band</b> – report from Mrs Rosie Carter –</p>	FB
8	<b>REPORT FROM CLLR ANNETTE DUNNING (SCC)</b>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"> APM 2024 - CLLR DUNNING Annual Report</p> <p>Report received from Cllr Dunning –</p>	
9	<b>REPORT FROM CLLR PAUL ASHTON (ESC)</b>	
	<p>Cllr Ashton gave a verbal report –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enabling Communities Donation of £2000 to support drain work at the Village Hall.</li> <li>• Bonsey Gardens Play Area – results of consultation are expected soon.</li> <li>• Oakhill Close – Trees/shrubs will be planted in the Autumn.</li> <li>• Some property has been purchased in Lowestoft to support offshore energy work.</li> <li>• Continued support to First Light Festival.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continued support to East Point Pavillion – which will be a potential wedding venue.</li> </ul> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllr Ashton for his attendance and ongoing support.</p>	
<b>10</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
	<p>All reports will be published in full on the PC website.</p> <p>The Chairman expressed thanks to all who have submitted reports which reflect how the village community is thriving - Wrentham is very lucky to have so many activities/groups.</p>	<b>FB</b>

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25pm

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