

WEST FARLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 21ST MAY 2018
AT THE GOOD INTENT PUBLIC HOUSE

PRESENT: Cllr Scott in the Chair, Cllr Martin, Cllr Merritt, Cllr Moy, Cllr Morgan, Cllr Pritchard, Cllr Swan, County Cllr Stockell, Borough Cllrs Webb and Parfitt-Reid and Mrs Amanda Broadhurst

IN ATTENDANCE: 3 members of the public

APOLOGIES: No apologies received

1. INTRODUCTION BY CHAIRMAN

Cllr Scott welcomed all present. He went on to explain that a booklet was available which contained the Parish Council and Village Organisation's reports.

2. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD 15TH MAY 2017

These were proposed as accurate by Mr T Baines, seconded by Borough Cllr Webb; will all in favour. The Chairman signed the official copy of the Minutes.

3. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR REPORTS – Borough Cllrs Lottie Parfitt-Reid & Richard Webb

Borough Cllr Parfitt-Reid introduced herself as a new Borough Councillor and explained that she is a member on the Strategic Planning and Transportation Committee as well as the Planning Committee. The issues surrounding Tovil Tip were discussed and Borough Cllr Parfitt-Reid stated that later opening times may help resolve the traffic issues. Borough Cllr Webb reported that he is sitting on the Communities & Housing and Audit & Standards Committees. Borough Cllr Martin Cox is the new Leader of the Council, with Borough Cllr Fay Gooch is the Deputy. Borough Cllr David Naghi is now the Mayor of Maidstone. Borough Cllr Webb reported that Brian Mortimer was disappointed that he is no longer a Borough Cllr but feels less pressure now and can enjoy his new grandson. Cllr Scott asked that thanks be passed on to Brian for all of the support he has given West Farleigh Parish Council over the years.

Concerns were raised about a vehicle parking in the lay-by at the junction of Lower Road and Charlton Lane and Cllr Merritt reported that signs had been erected some time ago, but they had been damaged. It was thought that this was something that the Community Warden and PCSO may be able to assist with.

It was noted that the Hunton Hill diversion is bring HGVs passed The Thatched House. Borough Cllr Webb reported that a mass meeting had been held in Hunton and it had been noted that lorries must be diverted along roads of the same classification. Borough Cllr Parfitt-Reid added that it should be mandatory for lorries to be fitted with the correct satnavs, rather than using ones suitable for cars.

4. VILLAGE ORGANISATION'S REPORTS

Cllr Scott reminded all present that a booklet had been produced with reports from the village organisations for residents to take away with them to read. There were no further reports given.

Cllr Martin asked that thanks be noted to the litter pickers who volunteer around the village

The formal part of the meeting concluded at 20.30pm followed by refreshments.