

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ON MONDAY 25th APRIL 2022
COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM

<u>Item.</u>	Councillor Maggie Dunn chaired the meeting. Councillors attending: Matthew Parker, Gwyn James, David Clarke and Peter Fisk. 2 members of the public were present..	
<u>1.0</u>	<u>Chairman's Welcome</u> Councillor Maggie Dunn welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
<u>2.0</u>	<u>To approve the minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting</u> The minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting from 21 st April 2021 were approved. Proposed Councillor Maggie Dunn seconded Councillor Matthew Parker, unanimous decision.	
<u>3.0</u>	<u>Talk on Trees from Sarah Drane, West Suffolk Council</u> Sarah Drane, a Principle Planning Officer from West Suffolk Council gave an interesting talk about trees in relation to planning. Topics covered included: how to protect trees; dealing with TPO's; assessing impact of trees as part of a planning application and policy considerations.	
<u>4.</u>	<u>Chairman's summary of the last year</u> Councillor Maggie Dunn gave a summary of the past year including: A site visit with Suffolk County Council Highways to review issues in the village; telephone box library; Neighbourhood Plan adopted; The Triangle and Severals developments; footpaths in the village; Queen's Jubilee celebrations; the revitalised newsletter and new editor; Christmas lunch at the Bunbury Arms for elderly and vulnerable residents. Councillor Dunn gave thanks to all the Councillors who give up their time voluntarily and to the Clerk.	
<u>5.</u>	<u>Report from Councillor Rebecca Hopfensperger</u> Councillor Hopfensperger had circulated the annual report from Suffolk County Council and reported on: The school being awarded a bronze award; Livermere Road Flooding update; the awaited specifications for the new Livermere Road bus shelter, repairing the collapsed drain gullies on the A143 with a new resin Suffolk County Council are piloting; Suffolk County Council's new Highways Maintenance Operational Plan which includes 'skirting back footpaths'; Mill Road village entrance gates	
<u>6.0</u>	<u>Report from Councillor Sarah Broughton</u> Councillor Sarah Broughton reported on the following items: West Suffolk Council pushing forward with ground breaking plans that will have direct benefit on health; Helping Ukrainian Refugees; Government is talking to West Suffolk Council about a County Deal with Families and Communities working to assist most vulnerable and reducing homelessness; The work is almost complete on the former Post office – a wider package of supporting the economy and helping businesses; Climate change – county campaign to recycle more glass, parts of grass cutting regime means leaving some areas longer to encourage bio diversity. West Suffolk Council has distributed over £120 m of Covid Business grants Council Tax Bands A – D will receive a £150 rebate Balanced budget this year – investing £9 m to help tackle climate change – this will reduce our emissions by 30% helping to reduce our carbon zero. Helping new businesses settle or grow in West Suffolk. Donations from the Locality Budget for Councillors Sarah Broughton and Rebecca Hopfensperger include: Primary School £1500 towards their kitchen garden Computer Club £1200 to purchase an Ipad and a Mac Book Parish Council £900 Jubilee Celebrations Allotment Association £900 Bench on green Lane	

<u>7.0</u> <u>8.0</u> <u>9.0</u>	<u>Further Updates from Village Groups</u> No updates had been received. <u>Village Matter</u> No items were raised. <u>Chairman's thanks</u> Councillor Maggie Dunn thanked everyone for attending the meeting. There being no further business the meeting finished at 9.10 pm. Sign & DatePrint name. CHAIRMAN Signed as confirmation that they are a true record.	
--	--	--

--	--	--