

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ON MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2022  
COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM**

<b><u>Item.</u></b>	Councillor Maggie Dunn chaired the meeting. Councillors attending: Matthew Parker, Gwyn James, David Clarke and Peter Fisk. 2 members of the public were present..	.....
<b><u>1.0</u></b>	<b><u>Chairman's Welcome</u></b> Councillor Maggie Dunn welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
<b><u>2.0</u></b>	<b><u>To approve the minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting</u></b> The minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting from 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2021 were approved. Proposed Councillor Maggie Dunn seconded Councillor Matthew Parker , unanimous decision.	
<b><u>3.0</u></b>	<b><u>Talk on Trees from Sarah Drane, West Suffolk Council</u></b> 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.	
<b><u>4.</u></b>	<b><u>Chairman's summary of the last year</u></b> 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.	
<b><u>5.</u></b>	<b><u>Report from Councillor Rebecca Hopfensperger</u></b> 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	
<b><u>6.0</u></b>	<b><u>Report from Councillor Sarah Broughton</u></b> 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	

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