



# Waldringfield

## Parish Council

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# Annual Parish Meeting

**7.30 p.m. 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

## AGENDA

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. To confirm and sign minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 11 April 2017
3. Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting
4. To receive a report from the Chairman of the Parish Council, Ian Kay
5. To receive a report from the Responsible Finance Officer of the Parish Council, David Lines.
6. To receive a report from Patricia O'Brien, Suffolk County Councillor
7. To receive a report from Susan Harvey, Suffolk Coastal District Councillor

**Closure of the formal part of the meeting  
(approximately 8.00 p.m.)**

**TEA AND COFFEE WILL THEN BE SERVED**

## Community Group Presentations

Short presentations will be provided by one or two of our local organisations to provide a greater understanding of their activities.

Further refreshments will then be available, providing an opportunity for residents and visitors to mingle and chat with representatives of some of our community groups.

Printed reports from many of these groups may be provided on the night, but they will all be published on the website in due course.

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## Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 11 April 2017

Present: 18 Residents, Parish Councillors Kay (Chairman), Videlo, Matheson, Elliot, Archer and Reid, and SCDC Cllr Harvey

- 1 Apologies for absence received from Serena Gold and SCC O'Brien
- 2 It was resolved to adopt the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 12 April 2016. Proposed by Ian Kay, seconded by Alyson Videlo and all agreed.
- 3 There were no matters arising from the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 12 April 2016.
- 4 **The Chairman of the Parish Council, Ian Kay**, provided a power point presentation. His report included an introduction to the Parish Councillors and their responsibilities, noting that there was a vacancy on the Council, for which he issued an invitation for applicants. He thanked Toby Harroway for his service to the Council and wished him well for the future. Dates of future Parish Council Meetings were given and highlighted that they are open to the public, with an opportunity for residents to give information to the Council and ask questions. The website and Parish newsletter were both mentioned as means of local communication about the village, not just the Parish Council.  
  
Cllr Kay then went into some detail about the Adastral Park time-line, past, current and future, with transport and traffic management a key impending element. He then went on to report on the EA1 windfarm cable installation which would cross the Parish at some stage in the next year and spoke about the Sizewell C consultation which, he felt, offered little environmental information. A significant planning application was expected from the Golf Club later in the year, and residents would be informed when it was presented. The new information board on the foreshore and the renovation of play equipment was also reported as part of the Council's many activities.
5. **The Responsible Finance Officer of the Parish Council, David Lines**, reported that the balance of accounts as at 31 March 2017 stood at a total of £13,491 including earmarked reserves amounting to £2,763. Some budget lines were overspent and some underspent, but the Parish Council has remained within budget overall.  
  
The precept was unchanged at £49.99 per Band Household for FY 2016/17, with a modest increase in the overall total received. Uncommitted reserves are maintained within the recommended bands of 50% - 75% of core turnover. The budget and expenditure are displayed on the Parish Council pages of the Parish web site and updated monthly.
- 6 **Parish Plan Chairman Janet Elliot** provided an update, citing key issues from the Action Plan. The Road Safety Group needed volunteers to set it up and manage. Areas of concern needing attention were the overhanging foliage on the Ipswich Road, pedestrian safety at the Fishpond Road junction, parking and large vehicle access at Village Way, all of which were progressing very slowly because of SCC Highways reorganisation. In other areas, Mrs Elliot spoke about matters such as addressing the problem of dog-fouling and the reinstatement of the river wall footpath under the excellent auspices of the Waldringfield Flood Defence Group. Attention to the Adastral Park development was turning to environmental mitigation, whilst current priority issues around the AONB were focussed on Natural England's coastal footpath scheme. Finally, Mrs Elliot appealed for support from the community in helping to complete all segments of the Action Plan and undertook to provide an annual review
- 7 **Suffolk County Council Cllr Patricia O'Brien** provided a report which was read out and would be published on the Parish website in due course
- 8 **Suffolk Coastal District Councillor Susan Harvey** spoke to her report, highlighting the reorganisation of Suffolk Coast District Council. She gave some time to local and national planning issues, then touched on matters such as the Deben Estuary Partnership, the refurbishment of car parks and leisure facilities, and expenditure of her Community Enabling Grant budget, some of which had been earmarked for Community Speedwatch equipment for use in Waldringfield.

**The Chairman then closed the formal part of the meeting to enable the partaking of refreshments and for attendees to mingle and enjoy the displays provided in the Community Group Marketplace**