

# DENNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



## MINUTES FOR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING Monday May 13<sup>th</sup> 2019

**JUBILEE HALL 7.00pm**

**Councillors:** Robert C. T. Wardley (Chairman), Matt Lunn, Robert Rous, Nick Watts, Mary Mann, John Calver, Doris Dearing, Rebecca.Smith

**Invitees:** HT/Ch Govs (Dennington C.E.V.C.P. School), James Maberly/David Dunnett (Village Hall), Keir Wyatt/Roy Steward (Sports Club), Peter Lamb (Consolidated Charities), Pamela Stevens Turner/John Javrie (Allotments Society), Jenny Dyne (WI)

Copied to: **District Cllrs;** As both councillors were standing down, none were copied in County Cllr: Stephen Burroughes :

**Present:** Robert C. T. Wardley (Chairman), Robert Rous, Nick Watts, Mary Mann, John Calver, Doris Dearing, Rebecca.Smith  
**Members of the Public:** 11  
**Clerk:** Ruth Hart

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr M. Lunn (work commitments, absence approved), C. Cllr S. Burroughes (prior engagement), Mr P. Lamb (prior meeting)
2. **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON May 21<sup>st</sup> 2018:** It was noted that these had been approved July 2018
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** Cllr R. Wardley (DCC), Cllr R. Rous (DCC, Church, Sports Club, Village Hall, landowner), Cllr M. Mann (Village Hall)
4. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Robert C.T.Wardley.** Ch Cllr R. Wardley presented a full and detailed report of the work of the Parish Council over the last year. (His full report can be found on the website)
5. **REPORTS FROM LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES:**
  - i. **SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL: COUNCILLOR Stephen Burroughes.** His annual report had been circulated prior to the meeting (on website)
  - ii. **SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY:** no report received
  - iii. **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR:** Following the recent election, new councillors have been appointed but are not in post yet, therefore no reports were forthcoming.
6. **REPORTS FROM VILLAGE CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS:**
  - i. **DENNINGTON C.E.V.C.P. SCHOOL:** Ch Cllr R. Wardley welcomed the Headteacher, Dr Paul Parslow-Williams to the meeting. He reported that the school

had recently joined a local academy trust along with other local church schools who support each other. The recent SIAMS inspection highly praised the school for the pastoral care they provide for the children and for their strong links with the community. He told the meeting that the school had been successful in several local sporting competitions and has raised money for local charities, including most recently, St Elizabeth's Hospice. Look out for those decorated elephants around Ipswich in the future!

Ch Cllr R. Wardley him for his report. (He then left the meeting)

ii. **DENNINGTON VILLAGE HALL:** James Maberly, on behalf of the trustees, presented a full and detailed report on the village hall, detailing the extensive refurbishment work and the plans for the future. All those present agreed on the fantastic job that the trustees, various working parties and volunteers had done. It is hoped that the refurbished hall should now attract outside private function bookings, as well as providing a social calendar of events for the village, together with providing regular space for meetings and sports clubs.

Ch Cllr R. Wardley him for his report.

iii **DENNINGTON SPORTS CLUB:** No report received

iv. **DENNINGTON CONSOLIDATED CHARITIES:** The Clerk read out the report that Mr P. Lamb had sent, detailing the grants that the charity had made in the last year. (report on website)

v. **DENNINGTON ALLOTMENT AND GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION:** Mr J Jarvie reported that 18 allotments (one vacant plot) were very busy and productive and the association had 28 active members. They were pleased with the relocated picnic table, now in the orchard, and were looking forward to a year of bumper harvests. He thanked Ch. Cllr R. Wardley for grass cutting and Cllr N. Watts for the hedging work. The accounts showed a balance of £993.

Ch Cllr R. Wardley him for his report.

vi. **WI:** The Clerk read out the report which stated that membership was currently at forty. They had enjoyed a range of excellent speakers over the year. A successful cream tea had raised in excess of £500 towards the village hall refurbishment, and at Christmas a large group attended the Nutcracker at Snape Maltings. Around the village the WI continue to plant and maintain the tubs at the village hall, joined in the litter pick and support the Beehive and Lighthouse projects. (report on website)

**7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR PARISH MATTERS RAISED BY ATTENDEES WHICH COULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR DISCUSSION AT FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS: Open Forum:**

A member of the public commented that the sharing of Vehicle Activated Signs with neighbouring villages (Chair's report) was a good idea.

A 2<sup>nd</sup> member of the public requested the Council's help with the problem at Wash Lane, Capon's Green. Ch Cllr R Wardley confirmed that the matter would be taken up with Highways/ C Cllr S Burroughes.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

**SIGNED**

*R. Wardley*

**DATE 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020**