

## GREAT WAKERING PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for the Parish of Great Wakering held on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2018 in the Parish Council Offices, Little Wakering Hall Lane, Great Wakering SS3 0HH commencing at 7.10 pm

**1. To appoint the Chairman of the Annual Parish Meeting.**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1972, Councillor Sawyer, being Chair of the Parish Council was appointed Chair of the meeting.

**2. To receive the Chairman's opening remarks.**

Councillor Sawyer welcomed attendees to the meeting and reminded the public that the Meeting was for electors of Great Wakering only.

**3. To agree as a correct record the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017.**

*Resolved* that the minutes be accepted.

**4. To receive the report of the Chairman of Great Wakering Parish Council.**

- After application by Parish Council, ECC adopted Anchor passageway as Public Right of Way. ECC will not maintain as not in existence prior to 1949, Parish Council exploring options re maintenance.
- Star Lane /Alexandra Road land south of High Street 17/00862/REM – planning granted for 181 dwellings.
- Star Lane - new barrier now in place seems to be preventing flytipping.
- Hopeful sports centre collection to continue for 2018/19.
- Parish Council Burial Ground update. Sign erected, tribute bin built, entranceway widened and improved.
- St Nicholas churchyard – grass cutting contract update.
- Sports Centre re-opened as dance school.
- Southend Shoreline Strategy Meeting – section 10 Blackgate Road to Morrins Point not included in strategy, responsibility of EA and MOD.
- Annual maintenance of common undertaken. Common consultation delayed due to lengthy wait for requested ECTU document. RDC claiming confidentiality clause causing delay. Friends of Wakering Common update.
- Public Toilet Committee lease negotiations with RDC and recommendation to Full Council.
- Parish Council arranged and paid for repairs to Parish Clock.
- Grounds maintenance contracts for 2018/19 awarded. Contract for churchyard undertaken as donation and goodwill gesture.
- Allotment fencing – grant obtained to replace east fencing where abuts Little Wakering Hall Lane.
- Streetlights – Parish Council replacement of two columns in Shoebury Road and Townfield Walk.

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**5. To permit Parishioners to address the meeting.**

- Public toilet - Petition organised by Parishioner, Councillor Hughes asked to help. Clerk noted as not Parish Council petition FOI Act does not apply.
- Meetings and exempt information - exemptions include lease negotiations, procurement and breach of confidence. Allows Councils freedom to discuss items freely. Certain matters can be prejudicial if discussed in public. Clerk noted the LGA 1972 defines areas where public may be excluded.
- Renewal of common lease.

Meeting closed 7.40 pm

*B. J. W. Sullivan*  
24.4.19