

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 13th April followed by the Parish Council Meeting

Apologies

Mr Subramanian, Mrs Simmonds
Cllrs Rainbow and Harris

Present

Chairman Mr Bust, Mr Paris, Mrs Herbert, Mr Bevans, Mrs Godfrey, clerk Mr Rickett, FO Mrs Rickett
1 member of the public

Minutes of the previous Annual meeting were signed as a true and correct record

Chairmans report

We are in a unique position with money to spend, from the CIL money and various rebates form NSDC over the last couple of years

We have been again able to hold the precept at 50 % of previous years

There have been improvements to the Village Hall – new heating, sound baffling, replacement chairs

Lettings have been increasing , including a long term let

We have received some CIL money from Shaws development – requested and agreed to put towards installing water on the allotments. We do need to advertise vacant plots

Donation to Halam C of E School for an outside classroom

Paid for 2 marquees for Halam Events

Queens Jubilee – bought mugs for each household and had a bonfire – was a successful evening

Organised 4 new gateway signs 2 are up and 2 to be put up later this year

Roads – managing to keep hedges trimmed. Pressure has been put on NCC Highways for repairs

The Chairman thanked Cllrs Laughton and Rainbow for their support

Planning – out of all applications NSDC agreed with all bar one – Barn Cottage and the Dials is still pending, though they have agreed so far

Open Meeting

There were some negative views on the new signs reported, mainly that Halam does not show up in the dark

A successful year- no need to look for things to spend the money on, it will soon disappear

Thanks to Parish Councillors – the majority of decisions made have been agreed unanimously

Thanks to Clerk and FO

We look forward to next year

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 7.20pm and carried on with the ordinary meeting