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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH ASSEMBLY HELD IN ST MARGRETS CHURCH HALL ON THURSDAY 25 MAY 2023 BETWEEN 6:00 PM AND 8:00 PM

Present: Councillors John Oldfield; David Marsh; Norma Harris, Alison Reigate, Alan Evans and Nikki Hamilton-Street

County Councillor Deborah Urquhart, District Councillor Amelia Worne, Katy Bourne, Members of the Public

In attendance: Katie Herr (Parish Clerk), Tracy Lees (Office Manager), Christine Jones (Administrator) and Roy Squires (Groundsman)

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1 **23/027**

WELCOME

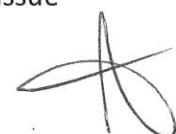
The Chair, Cllr. Nikki Hamilton-Street introduced herself and thanked those present for attending this Angmering Parish Assembly. She then welcomed and introduced the guest speaker, Katy Bourne, Police and Crime Commissioner for Sussex and thanked her for attending. The Chair then went on to welcome Amelia Worne, the newly elected District Councillor for Angmering, Councillor Steve Toney, Chair of East Preston Parish Council, Councillor Amanda Warne, District Councillor for Yapton Parish Council and West Sussex County Councillor Deborah Urquhart.

The Chair reported that it had been a busy year for Angmering Parish Council (APC), and much had been achieved. APC had been successful in securing funding for the future installation of bike racks/repair stations at the Community Centre. Safer Streets paid for the funding of the long-awaited solar lighting through Mayflower Park. In partnership with Arun District Council (ADC) the play park at Fletchers Field will also be refurbished and once completed APC will take over responsibility.

The Chair advised those present that the Parish Council is currently three councillors short. The Council is also looking for volunteers within many areas including the Community Allotment team and the Litter Picking team. She encouraged anyone interested in helping out to visit the Parish Council office,

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		<p>where they welcome all visitors, and will happily sign up anyone who has the time to spare.</p> <p>Further initiatives at the Parish Council office include the Terracycle Project – collecting crisp, nuts, popcorn and biscuit packets (and many other things not generally recycled). Cllr Evans takes the lead on this project and reports that he is collecting approximately 10kg per month for onward passage to be recycled. Other recycling is also available in the Parish Council Office on behalf of 4Sight, the local vision support charity, where electrical items such as old mobile phones, games consoles, gold and silver and old currency (to name just a few) can be dropped off for recycling.</p> <p>The Chair welcomed representatives from the Sid Youth CIC, the Council’s chosen charity for the year. They are a not-for-profit community interest company who deliver support to young people in our community as well as Adur and Worthing. The proceeds of the raffle taking place at the event will go to this Charity.</p>
2	23/028	<p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES Approval of the minutes of the Parish Assemblies held on Thursday 19th June 2019 and Thursday 26th May 2022 were agreed by all and signed by the Chair.</p>
3	23/029	<p>INTRODUCTION OF COUNCILLORS The Chair introduced those Councillors present, Alison Reigate (Vice Chair), David Marsh, John Oldfield, Norma Harris and Alan Evans. She further noted that apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Matthew Want, Sylvia Verrinder and Paul Bicknell.</p>
4 & 5	23/030 23/031	<p>PUBLIC CONSULTATION/GUEST SPEAKER Questions were invited from the floor – responded to by both Nikki Hamilton-Street, APC Chair and guest speaker Katy Bourne, Police & Crime Commissioner for Sussex</p> <p>A member of the public raised concerns about speeding traffic and the increased numbers of large trucks through the village were voiced.</p> <p>The Chair responded that meetings had taken place with West Sussex Highways where these concerns were raised, they are currently looking at solutions. A further meeting with West Sussex Highways is planned for June.</p> <p>A member of the public commented on the lack of police enforcement relating to speeding vehicles through the village and also raised concerns about the number of vehicles parking on the footways.</p> <p>Katy Bourne (KB) responded that she frequently hears of antisocial behaviour on the roads in a number of areas and has set up Operation Downsway to target known areas and focus police attention. Any member of the public can report antisocial driving via the Operation Crackdown website. With regard to parking on the pavement Katy Bourne advised that this is not a police issue</p>



and that unless the vehicle is likely to cause danger it is an issue for the County Council Council.

A member of the public commented that the local Speedwatch group had received only 1 visit from local Police in the 5 years it had been running.

KB responded that she would report this back to her team. She further advised that Police Community Support Officers (PCSO) were under-staffed and that a recruitment drive had just begun hopefully meaning that better contact with the community might be achieved.

A member of the public asked if Sussex Police had any plans to return to a local Home Beat Officer style of policing, as this was successfully used many years ago.

KB responded that sadly police numbers prevented this style of policing but that there were local neighbourhood policing teams with particular areas of responsibility. Sussex Police have 6000 officers to police over 1.7 million people. 2,500 reports come in every day with less than 300 turning out to be an actual crime – on average every day 32 missing people and 6 rapes are reported.

A member of public asked what did KB attribute to the increased numbers of reporting.

KB responded that people feel more confident about reporting issues to the Police. However, there are lots of issues that police have to pick up that are not criminal behaviour.

A member of the public asked what powers do the District/County Council have to remove parked cars.

KB responded that she did not know the answer, the Chair said that she will raise this with the County Council.

NHS

A member of the public asked about the use of electric scooters and what legal rights they had.

KB responded that they were illegal on a public highway. Further discussion took place regarding the future use of these vehicles.

The Chair thanked everyone for their questions and announced that the formal part of the meeting was at an end.

6 23/032 FRED ROWLEY AND VOLUNTEER AWARDS

The Chair explained the history of these awards and noted that sadly there had been no nominations for the category of Volunteer of the Year.

Katy Bourne presented Neil Rogers-Davis with the Fred Rowley award in recognition of his valuable contribution to the community of Angmering.



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Six sports leaders from the Angmering School were jointly presented with the award for Young Volunteer of the Year in recognition of their enthusiasm and dedication in ensuring that so many young people have had the opportunity to play sport. Finlay Cairns, Millie Dynan, Maeve Kerrison, Matthew Lehmann, Celia Penney and Evie Simmons were jointly presented with the award by Katy Bourne, each also receiving a personalised certificate.

23/033 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of this committee is on ~~Thursday 23 May 2024~~ 2023 ^{*} commencing at 6:00 p.m venue to be advised.

The meeting finished at **18:00**.

Chairman.......... Date.....13/05/2024.....