

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY OF THAXTED PARISH HELD ON
THURSDAY 22ND March 2022 AT 8.00 PM IN THE DAY CENTRE**

Present:

Councillors: Terry Frostick (Chairman), Andy Frater (Vice Chairman), Alison Howells, Victoria Knight, Jon Spencer, Paul Flint, Ralph Barrington, Jenna Perkins Antionette Wattebott, Nick Weakley

Also present: D Ludford (Clerk & RFO)
District & County Cllr Martin Foley
6 members of the public

Before we begin, please may I ask all who are able to stand to show our solidarity for Ukraine and the events unfolding and offer a minutes silence as a mark of our respect.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Ray Williams
District Cllr Mike Taylor

2. To receive and approve as a correct record, the minutes of the last Annual Parish Assembly held on 22nd March 2018
Resolved to Approve the minutes of the last annual parish meeting held on 21st March 2019, having been circulated, were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. To receive questions from residents relating to matters connected to or affecting the parish of Thaxted

Community achievement awards and delighted and proud to be a co-nominator along with the Clerk, Ray will be the first to tell you that he received this award on behalf of the youth team.

Q 1)

Could I ask for an update to be provided as that is very relevant for a lot of new applications in connection to our Neighbourhood Plan, not least of course for Monk Street.

Answer:

Richard Haynes has previously provided this answer to us, we shall collate this information to include in these minutes, however in summary the Chairman reports that the latest information is that the majority of the planning applications are still going to UDC, this being due largely to the fact that if they were to go to central government, they would therefore forfeit their right to appeal. The reality is that our Neighbourhood plan is still robust the planning officers are now favouring development given the current land supply in UDC.

Additional questions asked during the assembly

Q 2)

A parishioner noted that in our last PC meeting reference to a letter being delivered to Newbiggen street residents in connection to parking, has this been done?

The question was posed to Cllr Barrington, who replied that no as yet the letter has not been sent. District/County Cllr Foley, gave some further detail in relation to why this matter has emerged and eluded to the fact that there will no doubt be a residents consultation in connection to a speed reduction to 20MPH, this matter has been brought to the Local Highways Panel and much work is needed before this scheme is brought to life. Cllr Frostick commented that to bring any scheme to life we must have 75% of the people in the street to approve the proposed parking restrictions and therefore it becomes incredibly difficult

Closed 19:51

Chairman Signature