

WESTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Village Hall at 7.15pm on April 27, 2022

PRESENT	For the Parish Council: Peter Miller, Peter Hudson, Graham Austin, Trevor Cade, Jason Kirk, Michael Noble, and David Gooch (Clerk). East Suffolk District Councillor Tony Fryatt was also present together with 20 members of the public.
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- 1 **Apologies for Absence** - None
- 2 **Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on April 25, 2021 (via Zoom)** - No comments were received; the Minutes were approved
- 3 **Chairman's welcome, introduction and report on 2021/22, including a financial report and planning report**

The Chairman welcomed those present, noting that due to the coronavirus pandemic this was the first face-to-face meeting since 2019. He introduced the new Clerk, then presented his 2021/2022 report which would be his last report as Chairman. Re the Financial report he highlighted that some of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds would need to be spent this year or would be reclaimed.

A copy of the Chairman's report, which includes reports from local organisations under Item 4 below, can be viewed [here](#) .
- 4 **Reports from the Church, village charities, groups, clubs and other organisations**

All available reports are included in the Chairman's report referred to in Item 3.
- 5 **"Our Neighbourhood Plan"**

Members of the volunteer working group presented an update including an analysis of the 124 replies received from the Household Questionnaire. A copy of the presentation can be viewed here (URL tbc).
- 6 **Open questions and discussion**

The majority of the discussion was focussed on traffic and road safety issues particularly the options for reducing vehicle speeds in the village and the possibility of improvements at the B1077 Westerfield Road crossroads with Lower Road/Church Lane. The County Council would continue to be lobbied to highlight the pressing nature of these 'here and now' issues.

Informal discussions continued after the meeting as attendees browsed the display boards illustrating different aspects of the Neighbourhood Plan.
- 7 **Date of next meeting**

April/May 2023, exact date to be confirmed.

Chairman:  Date: 17/5/23