

WESTERFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the Annual Parish Meeting held online on April 25, 2021 at 7.15pm

PRESENT	For the Parish Council: Peter Miller, Peter Hudson, Graham Austin, Felicity Borwick, Trevor Cade, Jason Kirk and Michael Noble, together with Rod Caird (Clerk). 3 members of the public were also present.
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1 Apologies for Absence

None

2 Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on May 14, 2019

The Minutes were approved.

3 Chairman's welcome, introduction and report on 2020/21, including a financial report and an update on planning matters

The Chairman presented his report which looked back over the past two years; the annual meeting was cancelled in 2020 owing to the coronavirus. He thanked both District Councillor Tony Fryatt and County Councillor Gordon Jones for their active interest in the Parish. Cllr Jones had been standing in following the resignation of Robin Vickery. A new Councillor will be elected on May 6.

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, local charities, groups, clubs and other organisations

All available reports are included in the Chairman's report referred to in Item 3.

5 A Report from District Councillor Tony Fryatt. There will be no County Councillor report on this occasion as the election will be held on May 6.

Cllr Fryatt was not available for the meeting.

It was agreed after discussion that consideration should be given to developing a Neighbourhood Plan for Westerfield. As essential element of this is widespread public consultation and debate, which is obviously very difficult during the coronavirus restrictions. It was thought likely that an evening outdoor meeting could be arranged provided there was enough publicity and advance notice.

Just under 50% of the village has responded to the current traffic survey and that number can be built on in order to create an effective mailing list for those who

wished to be included. The list can form the basis of a discussion about a Neighbourhood Plan.

The value of a Plan is that once formally adopted it becomes a part of the legal planning process; the views and intentions of the village have statutory force rather than just expression of another opinion.

6 Date of next meeting

April, 2022, exact date to be confirmed

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