

# **BROOKLAND PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at The Village Hall, Brookland, on Monday 16 May 2016 at 6.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors, Mrs S Saxby (Chair), Mrs K Coleman,  
Mrs V Wallington, Mr J Burgoyne and Mr C Hill  
District Councillor, Mr C Goddard

**PARISH CLERK:** Mrs J Batt

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** There were no Members of the Public in attendance.

**1. INTRODUCTIONS**

There were no introductions.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An Apology for Absence was received from County Councillor, Mrs C Waters and Mr C Stanley, Webmaster

**3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously accepted and signed by Mr Hill.

Proposed Mrs Wallington      Seconded Mrs Saxby

**4. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no Matters Arising.

**5. PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Mrs Saxby had nothing to report.

**6. PARISH COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

This was presented and an opportunity given for questions and comment.

**7. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Mrs Waters was unable to attend the meeting.

**8. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Good evening, Chairman, Councillors, Parish Clerk, and members of the public.

Since the elections were held in May 2015 changes were made to the boundaries in Shepway as a result of a Local Government Boundary Review. This resulted in the formation of the Walland and Denge Marsh Ward which as well as covering the Parish of Brookland, now includes the Parish of Lydd along with the surrounding villages of Brenzett, Ivychurch, Old Romney, Snave and Snargate. The number of District Councillors was increased from one to two. I am honoured that I was re-elected and am still able to represent local people.

Following a recent restructuring of Committees at Shepway DC Licensing is now part of the Development Control Committee in which I am Chairman. I also sit on the Resources and Scrutiny Committee which now includes Overview scrutiny issues to. On external Committees I am appointed to represent the District Council on the Dungeness power station Site Stakeholders Group, Lydd Airport Consultative Committee and the Romney Marsh Internal Drainage Board. I also sit on the Romney Marsh Forum, which this enables me to liaise with Cllr Hill.

In one of the first debates of the newly elected district council, a motion proposed by myself and Cllr Rory Love received cross-party support that a letter be sent to Amber Rudd MP stressing the importance of Dungeness C being built to ensure the future of local jobs across the Marsh and for coastal protection funding.

I do have a small pot of funding available to me in my Ward budget which enables me to help and support financially local community groups and organisations. If anybody knows of any that need assistance in Brookland, please make contact with me.

I will continue to work for the good of you the Parish Cllr's, local people, local groups and local businesses and help to provide a safer, cleaner and thriving place for all to live in.

Finally I would like to thank Cllr's for their support and the Parish Clerk (Judith) for her advice, help and assistance over the past year.

**9. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

There were no questions and comments from the floor.

There being no other questions from the public the meeting closed at 6.37 pm.

Signed ..... Dated .....  
Chairman