

**MINUTES OF THE 2019 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 21 MARCH 2019 at 6.00PM**

PRESENT

Parish Councillors: E Townsend (Chairman), A Richardson (Vice Chairman), R Cole, K Fernandes, B Freeston, D Nicholas, R Tyler.

There were 14 local electors at the meeting.

Parish Clerk B Bell FSLCC and Admin Clerk L Glazier was in attendance.

INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

The Council Chairman, E Townsend welcomed everyone to the Annual Parish Meeting.

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Betts, R Burbridge, M Foryszewski, S Jeacock, G Worthington.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 17 MAY 2018.

The draft minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 17 May 2018, having previously been circulated, were AGREED and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON 06 MARCH 2019.

The draft minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 06 March 2019, having previously been circulated, were AGREED and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING.

There were no matters arising to report.

PRESENTATION BY MR BERTIE NEWTON FOR KENT SURREY AND SUSSEX AIR AMBULANCE (KSS)

Mr Newton said he is a volunteer speaker for KSS. The 999 call centre in Rochester receives 2,000 calls per day. The dispatcher, who is a qualified paramedic, assesses calls. KSS respond to approximately six incidents every 24 hours using two helicopters. The helicopter is airborne within four minutes of the 999 call carrying two pilots, a doctor and paramedic.

The aviation team consists of two pilots, who must hold a commercial pilot's licence with 1,000 hours flying experience. The doctor must be within two years of becoming a consultant and specialise in anaesthesia and emergency medicine. The paramedic must have a minimum of eight years' experience.

The most frequent type of incident is road traffic collision followed by horse riding incidents in Surrey. The helicopter flies patients to major trauma centres including Kings College Hospital for brain injury, Frimley Park Hospital for bone injury and St Georges Hospital for crush injury.

KSS was formed in 1989. It is a registered charity and not funded by the NHS. It costs £11 million per year to run. Each mission costs £3,700 and the aircraft fuel bill is £1,050 per week.

CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

The Chairman gave a presentation to the meeting on the work of the Parish Council over the last year and agreed to add this presentation to the Council's website. It is also appended to these minutes.

QUESTIONS FROM ELECTORS

There were no questions from the electors.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.24pm.

Signed Date.....