

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 16th May, 2005.

Members Present: Mr. E. Barnett – Chairman, Mr. J. Haywood-Smith, Mrs. E. Lynch, Dr. S. Williams.

Also Present: Mrs. Vivien Hinton, Acting Parish Clerk.

Apologies: Mrs. S. Johnson

Minutes: It was proposed by Mrs. E. Lynch and seconded by Mr. J. Haywood-Smith that the Minutes be approved and signed by the Chairman.

Matters Arising from the Minutes: None.

Chairman's Report: The Chairman firstly thanked the Council for their support and contribution to discussions during the past twelve months.

The last year had been marked by the resignation and subsequent ill-health and death of Gerald Stiles. This had been a great loss to the community. The Chairman wanted to express his very grateful thanks to Vivien Hinton for stepping into the breach since December.

Mr. Steven Hudson, County Councillor, had moved to the Kesgrave and Rushmere District. At the County Council Elections held on May 5th 2005, Mr. Peter Bellfield had been elected to represent Gt. Bealings. Mr. Bellfield had twenty seven parishes to look after in his area and it was not expected that he would be able to attend the Gt. Bealings Parish Council Meetings very regularly.

The Parish Precept had been raised to £2,000.00 for 2005/06.

There had been much debate concerning the village playing field, and two meetings had been held with Lt. Bealings Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee. A questionnaire had been given out to every household in the Parish which had resulted in some very encouraging responses. We were now awaiting a final view from Lt. Bealings Parish Council, whose next meeting would be held on Monday 23rd May, 2005 and also the Village Hall Committee who were meeting on the 24th May, 2005. The Chairman thanked everyone who had been involved in this exercise.

Any Other Business: None.

The Meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.