

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF FOWLMERE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT ST MARY'S CHURCH DOROTHY PLUCK ROOM ON TUESDAY 3RD May 2011, AT 7:30 PM**

PRESENT: Cllr D Roberts – Chairman, Cllr M Bates, Cllr E O'Regan, Cllr J Peacock, Cllr M Sunderland, Cllr L Wragg
Councillor T Stone – Cambridge County Council, Mr R Elcock – Headteacher, Fowlmere School, PCSO Lindsay Gardiner
Mrs Tamsin Goodfellow, Chair of the Fowlmere Village Hall Management Committee
Mrs J Wright – Parish Council Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Bottrill, resident of Fowlmere.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr N Webb, Mr Simon Brooks, Chair of Fowlmere School Governors.

2. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF 4th May 2010

The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL – Cllr Roberts

Welcome to residents our County Councillor Tim Stone and my fellow Parish Councillors. This year has continued to see changes to the make-up of Fowlmere Parish Council. We have had resignations from Pat Flynn and Anthony Eades and additions by way of Lawrence Wragg, Nicki Webb, Jan Peacock and Mike Sunderland. At present the PC has only 6 councillors to fill the 9 posts and it will be important to fill these places in the very near future. If anyone is willing or knows others who might be prepared to add their talents to our happy band then I would be very pleased to hear from them. The work is interesting and diverse but I think I can also say very rewarding as it is directly doing something for the village we are proud to live in and be a part of.

The Finance Comm. is now chaired by Cllr Elaine O' Regan and its Vice Chairman is Cllr Lawrence Wragg. We also have the Planning Comm. of which I am Chairman and my Vice Chair is Cllr Jan Peacock. These two committees are run in the case of the Planning Comm. on a when required basis and the Finance Comm. generally once a quarter. We also run the village cemetery needs by way of the Cemetery Comm, again this tends to meet on a quarterly basis.

The Village Hall has concentrated our minds this year on how best the parish via its precept can help with provision of items required. A sum of money to the tune of two and a half thousand pounds was therefore requested this year which will hopefully along with the very hard efforts being made by the Village Hall and its supports help to achieve some of the ongoing improvements. This has lead to a rise in the precept but we believe that this is a very worthwhile and needed facility and hope that our residents agree.

Fowlmere Cemetery , Mill Lane

Daffodil bulbs kindly donated to the Parish Council by a former resident were planted in the late autumn. In spite of the ground being rock hard at the time volunteers from the Parish Council who did the hard work of getting them planted saw the delightful results of their labour with a glorious display this spring. The United Reform Church also took bulbs off our hands and the Chapel grounds also benefited with a good splash of yellow all round.

The cemetery continues to be popular with our residents as a place to inter their loved ones and I'm sure that this is in large measure because the grounds are so well maintained and provide a peaceful resting place. One recent internment of ashes has caused a little concern but we hope that residents will appreciate that as a Parish Council we do not wish to be too prescriptive as to design, colour or materials as these are always very personal to every family and as such we try to respect individual tastes.

Play equipment

This is kept to a good standard at all times with regular ROSPA checks, (the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents.) This year has seen the provision of a new piece of play equipment in the shape of a 4 child see saw which we understand is proving popular with its users!

The Parish Council is seriously considering purchase asap a roundabout .We are initially checking with SCDC as to availability of help towards funding but will hopefully be putting in a order so as to have this in place for the longest amount of the coming good weather of the summer.

The Parish Council continues to fund both senior link and a large percentage of the cost of the Friendships Clubs Christmas party. We are pleased to see that efforts are being made to widen the membership of the club.

Postal Services

The PC is working closely with Post Office Services to try to get a reinstatement of the villages postal service. A number of venues have been looked at with a mind if possible to get two by two hours of service implemented. This is a service that the PC knows is very important to residents especially our senior citizens and we will make all efforts to see this running again.

Bus Services

This also goes for the village bus routes, with the support of our County Councillor Cllr Stone the PC has joined forces with around a further 10 local PCs to try to either retain the present service or to look for alternatives. A meeting has been held and a further one is booked for Early June.

The Roads

With regard to road safety concerns the Parish Council requested speed checks by the police. These have been done recently by the constabulary's Community Support officers.

Mill Road was (due to the serious deterioration to its whole length) in danger of being closed but with the help of our County Councillor and much media interest the Parish Council was pleased to see funds and man power found and the work undertaken.

The Round Moat and green things!

This goes on as a project to achieve Stewardship Status. We need this financial help as the magnitude of works required there in coming years is daunting and would be a huge burden on the precept and our residents on what is after all a National Monument. As with all these types of issues there is a mountain of bureaucracy to fill in and once again many thanks to Councillor Bates for all his work on this matter.

Our local contractors for both grass cutting and general maintenance are both to be commended for the high quality of the work and service they proved.

Many thanks also to our village Womble Pat Rowley for his sterling work litter picking all around the village. I was pleased to attend the Chairman of SCDC award ceremony where his services were recognised by a small presentation to commemorate his good deeds.

Affordable Housing

This will be covered in the Planning Comm report.

Taking up others costs

As both the District and County Council tighten their belts the parish is likely to have to be prepared to take on extra costs and work we have already seen this in the case of street lighting and recently with the parish having to pay money towards the costs of continuing the provision of a youth club run from Melbourn Village College to which a number of our older children attend. The Parish Council have considered that this is a valuable service but will also monitor during the coming year how the money is being used. The PC will have a presence on the managing board.

My thanks to all my fellow councillors for their efforts and input over the year, they are all volunteers and one hopes the village appreciate that they give of their time and efforts with no financial reward.

Thanks also to Cllr Stone for his very regular attendance and prompt actions on behalf of the parish which are much appreciated.

Great thanks to our Clerk Mrs Jackie Wright without whom I could not do this job, she is invaluable.

I would like to pay special thanks at this point to Cllr Michael Bates who has decided to take a break from the Parish Council to recharge his batteries. Michael's links to Fowlmere Parish Council are not confined to being a councillor. For a number of years Michael was clerk to the council serving it well. He therefore has much knowledge of all matters PC and has been a much valued fountain of remembrance and knowledge. Michael of course also filled the role of Chairman for three years. Michael's health has not been so good of late but now he's our own "bionic man" we wish him a speedy recovery back to good health. We will all miss his calm and pleasant presence but hope that he might feel like returning at some stage.

I'm sure that I have in this report missed out things but hopefully you will understand that putting down all the

events and activities from a full year in time one has the occasional "senior moment". The PC will be happy to answer questions, if we do not have the answers to hand we will promise to get back to you with .

4. COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT – Cllr T Stone

The country has been living beyond its means for too long. In the financial year just ended the government's net borrowing after financial sector interventions was £141 billion. So every man woman and child owes £2,350 more this April than last April if you share the government borrowing out equally.

The coalition has decided that we can't go on like this. That means much less cash will come from Westminster to our County and District councils. Savings are having to be made.

Most of the County's expenditure remains directed at help for people who need it. With an ageing population that means more and more money being spent – as it should be. The needs of children and young people are also getting more complex.

The County has declared that spending in these areas will be carefully managed but with less coming from Westminster and a low council tax compared with other counties the budget situation is always difficult.

Partnership

County, District, parishes and volunteers will have to work much closer together to squeeze the best out of the money available.

As things stand all bus subsidies will be removed within four years. The 31 bus costs £87,860 a year to run and as it is unlikely that parish councils along the route will wish to spend that kind of money to keep it going. So without some different way of providing a reasonable service it seems as if Fowlmere residents will be marooned.

The county and various parties have been meeting behind closed doors but nobody from our part of the world seems to have been involved. We have had great difficulty in discovering what is going on even though we had a meeting of parish councils, bus operators, district and county representatives in Whittlesford on 9th March attended by your Chairman. The County has promised a consultation later in the year and we shall meet again on 8th June.

Looking after families will be done differently as well. The County's Locality Teams are reaching out to the police, housing providers, schools and local councils to focus on people who need help. This will need a great deal of care in implementation so that skills developed by each individual body are not diluted.

The way we run youth clubs has changed already. Your parish council has kindly agreed to help with financing the youth club in Melbourn.

Localism

The Localism Bill, when it becomes law, will bring in neighbourhood planning. That will allow people to come together through a local parish council or neighbourhood forum and say where they think new houses, businesses and shops should go – and what they should look like. These neighbourhood development plans could be very simple, or go into considerable detail where people want. Local communities would also be able to grant full or outline planning permission in areas where they most want to see new homes and businesses, making it easier and quicker for development to go ahead. This and other parts of the Bill will put great pressure on parish councils.

We shall all be learning new skills and parish councils will be key partners in whether localism works.

At a time of change it will be increasingly important to understand the detail of what is going on and ensure that local people have the opportunity to play a full part in re-designing services for the benefit of everyone. It is just not good enough for decisions to be taken behind closed doors. It's also not good enough for the District and the County to "consult" and then not listen to what people are telling them.

Speed limits

The County has now agreed that parishes may change speed limits within their built up areas. So Fowlmere could reduce speed limits if they wish – and if local residents pay for the change through the parish precept. At Neighbourhood Panel meetings there are often demands for lower speed limits. Council officials regularly point out that putting up a sign rarely changes drivers' behaviour. And the police will not enforce 20 mph speed limits.

Potholes

The government is giving Cambridgeshire an extra £2.68 million to repair potholes.

With that kind of money around there should be no excuse for any potholes remaining at the end of April. Yet you can see that there are still quite a few around. During the pothole season Mill Lane and Fowlmere Road got particularly bad. Intervention from your parish council and me eventually got the results we wanted. The trouble is that the County says that the road shouldn't be used by through traffic. The facts are rather different.

The best way to report the potholes is to go to:

<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/transport/roads/reportingafault.htm>

If that doesn't work then please let me know. After all £2.68million should buy a decent amount of tarmac.

The County's pothole recording system is not foolproof. During the rest of this year modifications should be made to make using it less frustrating.

Fowlmere Parish Council

Throughout the year it has been a pleasure to work with your parish council. Together we have had satisfactory results from the County concerning the Thriplow triangle development, the Flint Cross safety measures and little things like overhanging trees. Your parish council has also been very kind to me in letting me go home early from parish council meetings.

I am always ready to take up issues on your behalf. You can contact me on 01223 836527, e-mail at timothy.stone1@virgin.net or write to me at 4 Church Lane, Whittlesford, Cambridge CB22 4NX. My website is at www.timstone.mycouncillor.org.uk/

REPORT BY CAMBRIDGESHIRE CONSTABULRY – Report provided by PCSO Lindsay Gardiner

The village has only had one reportable incident so far this year, a new PC has also joined the area (PC Claire Lynch) and the police station at Melbourn will be up and running at Melbourn Village College in the next couple of months. The Police are regularly taking speed checks, it was asked if one could be undertaken in Long Lane and Cambridge Road / High Street too, especially in rush hour.

Mr Bottrill mentioned he had an aggressive seller coming to the door and PCSO Gardiner said she would follow this up as it had been reported via the Hertfordshire Police instead of Cambridgeshire.

6 DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT – Cllr D Roberts

I am a Member of Full Council, Planning and the Planning Sub Committee. New Chief Executive is now in place at SCDC - Jean Hunter. Gareth Jones , Planning Head has recently left as has Dale Robinson Environmental Health Dept Head. SCDC Housing - they recently were once again floating the idea of transfer (in spite of a no vote less than two years ago. The Housing Portfolio Holder is however now considering having properly elected tenants instead of the present arrangement of self chosen volunteers , this is something that I asked for on numerous occasions so am glad to see that the right of having a democratic process is looking as though it might happen. We also should have the same representatives as part of a joint Board as do Cambridge City Council This is something that I will be pressing for.

The Blue bins are now in place and though being used at a time when the Council has no spare money and already had the Green Boxes doing the job it still appears to have been somewhat a case of the Environmental Health Dept spending money that could have been used on other schemes, such as Village Grants, The dept that I ran for 4 years doing such work no longer exists .

All the dedicated officers who used to serve that dept have been made redundant or have got out .These included , those who worked with the voluntary sector, arts and sports officers, community Dev officers who worked with villages on events projects and the like .The only officer that has been retained is the travellers officer, this seems hardly fail or equitable. This is in my mind a future disaster for the villages as they seek to improve their own facilities .

A recent request at Fowlmere towards a desperately needed grant for £27,000 has resulted in an actual amount of only £ 3000 being forthcoming.

The Planning Dept has given rather a lot of cause for concern to many parishes , with delays , inconsistency and the like being complained of by elected members and Parish Councils alike. So much so that in fact Scrutiny Comm. has decided to do a review of the Dept the results of which are expected shortly.

The Council once again claims to find itself in dire financial constraints yet at the same time bragging about its supposed great reputation with the auditors. Of course it was these self same auditors who only a few years ago were telling the Council to spend its reserves.

The Tories have tried very hard to do just that leaving them with very little in the bank , never a good idea when you don't know what is around the corner.

Good news that the Standards Board for England is finally being laid to rest, a more odious beast you are hardly likely to find. A tool for the vexatious , troublesome or political games it will not be missed. There is already a way of dealing with councillors who do not act for their residents , its known as the ballot box.

The present Council is controlled by the Tories on a mere one vote , this leads to a constant and very boring tit for tat exchanges by the two main groups Tories and Lib Dems. And though the majority has been so fragile the Tory Group have constantly shown a complete disregard to all other views put to it. One can only hope that the coming election lessons might be learned.

I wish to thank the Councillors for all their help and support over the last 4 years and to Jackie as Clerk for her invaluable assistance on many occasions.

To do this job properly means that you have to be prepared to give up a great deal of what is other peoples normal life. You're on call 7 days a week. I can however say that I truly have loved doing the job and hope that I will be given the chance of continuing to do so.

7. PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE – Cllr D Roberts

We continue to be very busy, but generally with smaller extensions etc and in the main, applications do not cause any particular problems and we can usually recommend approval. There have been 2 important applications of late – one being the Thriplow Triangle - 10 affordable houses, an exception site for Fowlmere residents. It is going to the SCDC Planning Committee next week and we understand that they will be recommending approval. I would like to thank Cllr Stone as many residents were concerned about a lack of a footpath, as it couldn't be made a condition but Cllr Stone was able to make it a condition of approval.

It was disappointing that a small handful of residents became very vocal with their disagreement and many comments about the PC have been very unfair about the processes taken. The other contentious planning application has been by Welding Alloys where trees and vegetation has been removed behind houses in the High Street before a planning application was submitted for housing – Cllr Roberts will seek the view of the planners at SCDC and Fowlmere PC were very much on the side of the local residents and were against the application.

8. PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE REPORT – Cllr E O'Regan

Good Evening everyone, I am pleased to announce that we achieved our budget goals for the last financial year. Our largest outgoings included Grass Cutting, Tree Pruning and General Maintenance, along with the usual village running cost that we occur each year. This year's precept we have been awarded an increase of 15% on last year's figures (25,449.96) + 15% (30,098.00). This takes into account Inflation, provisions for the Village Hall and much needed tree work around certain areas of the village (ie moat etc).

We are continuing to provide Senior Link personal alarms for the vulnerable residents free of charge. We have new projects in place to further enhance the children's play area even more with a new roundabout (last year was a seesaw).

Also, Parish councils are being encouraged to take more responsibility for village functions such as street lighting and village maintenance, so Fowlmere Parish Council intends to be in a strong financial footing to keep Fowlmere in a good state of repair making it a pleasant place in which to live.

9. FOWLMERE SCHOOL - Mr R Elcock presented the report by Mr S Brooks, Chair of Governors

Introduction

Fowlmere Primary School serves the Parishes of Fowlmere, Great Chishill, Chrishall Grange and Heydon. The roll in May 2011 is 109 – the highest for some years, though this is a temporarily high number due to a Finnish family that relocated to Fowlmere at the beginning of the year.

As in previous years, 90% of the roll live within the catchment area. Those living out of catchment are from Chrishall, Melbourn, Duxford, Royston and Shepreth. The school continues to attract a healthy number of new pupils, and next year's intake (September 2011) is again likely to be 17 or 18, which will likely maintain the roll at 104 or 105.

We have been very pleased with the continued educational successes of the children over the past year in Key Stage 1, Key Stage 2 and SATs results.

Of particular note are the overall levels of attainment at Level 2+ in 2010 for KS1, which were above the previous 2 years in reading, writing and mathematics. All predictions for Level 2+ and Level 3+ across all subjects were met or exceeded for this cohort.

At KS2, attainment was higher than 2009 across all subjects for Level 4+ and (with the exception of boys' writing) across all subjects for Level 5+. School improvement priorities have included improving attainment at Level 5 and in writing.

The school was inspected by Ofsted at the very beginning of the school year in September at very short notice. We received a rating of 2 (Good) in both overall effectiveness and capacity for sustained improvement.

In light of a difficult period experienced by the school at the end of the previous school year, which included the departure of our KS2 Co-ordinator Leon Robichaud, the sudden and untimely death of our school secretary Diane Stewart, our KS1 Co-ordinator Hannah Bennett being on maternity leave and an extended period of sick leave for Mr Elcock, we were very pleased with the result.

Sport and after school clubs both continue to play a key role in the life of the school. Our extensive range of sports includes athletics, netball, football, hockey, swimming, cricket and rounders.

Inter-house competitions and local tournaments have been held in many sports including netball, swimming, Kwik Cricket, cross country, rugby, football, rounders and athletics – in which we enter our teams and are very successful. We must offer our thanks to Ian Williams for his continuing help with a range of sporting activities at the school.

The Athletics and Multi Sports Clubs continue to be well attended, and are funded through the PTFA's Arthur Fund, for which we are very grateful. Chris Mephram has been running his popular after school rugby club on The Butts.

The school is working to a new School Development Plan which was completed during the Spring term. This key document informs the planning of the school and is comprised of strategic themes which reflect the key functions of the school: Curriculum, Personnel, Premises, Governance and ICT.

Teaching and Learning

We strive to provide the best possible education. The Literacy and Numeracy frameworks have been embedded into the curriculum and we spend much time analysing test results and putting initiatives in place to further improve pupil attainment. Alongside this, we remain committed to a wide range of extra activities.

Activity clubs which have been running this year are Cross Stitch, Percussion, Writing, Nature, Netball, Football, Friends, Fun and Games, Philately and Choir. Many of these activities are only possible thanks to the hard work of all staff and a dedicated group of volunteer helpers who bring their expertise to the school. New clubs for this year are 'Don't Try This At Home' and Chess, run by Julie Webb, and French.

Cambridgeshire Music are continuing to provide piano, flute, clarinet, violin, cello and drums tuition. As part of the Wider Opportunities music initiative, Year 5 are all receiving instrumental music tuition on the ukelele.

With the previously planned changes to the curriculum being cancelled by the new Government, the school is continuing to deliver the existing curriculum, whilst awaiting announcements on future changes from the Department of Education.

Personal and Professional Development

We continue to place a high priority on staff training to ensure our teachers have the opportunity to develop in line with the priorities of the School Development Plan.

Following the departure of Mr Leon Robichaud, we are very pleased to welcome Miss Sarah Marshall who started as our new KS2 Co-ordinator and Class 4 teacher at the beginning of the school year. She is already making a very strong and positive contribution to the school.

We were sorry to receive a letter from Mr Elcock informing us of his plans to retire at the end of the current year. He will be sorely missed after 12 very successful years as Fowlmere School's Headteacher.

He was kind enough to give the Governors an exceptionally long period of notice, meaning that we were

able to engage in the Headteacher recruitment process earlier than would have otherwise been possible. This extra period of notice allowed us to prepare a very well presented pack of information, and to undertake the whole recruitment process with plenty of time to spare.

Following this process, we were pleased to announce that Mrs Heather Mephram will be joining the school as its new Headteacher in September 2011, and handover activities have already commenced.

Our sincerest and heartfelt thanks must go to Mr Elcock for his contributions to the school in his time with us.

The School Premises

Works that have proceeded include the school hall floor which was replaced over the summer holidays, new windows and doors to Class 4 and the hall, and a complete redecoration of Class 4.

New prioritised plans for future phases of building and grounds development are currently taking shape.

PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association)

The PTFA is very active, and is able to provide significant funds to the school. The calendar of events for the 2010-11 year includes:

- Children's Disco Friday 14th January 2011 - raised £77.52
 - Children's Bingo Friday 11th February 2011 - raised £41.38
 - Mothers' Day market - 29th March
 - Safari Supper - 7th May (record attendance this year of 57 people)
 - Art Exhibition - 20th/21st/22nd May
 - End of Term Disco - 9th July
 - End of Term BBQ - date tbc
1. 150th Ball - 1st October

The latter event relates to 2011 being the 150th anniversary of the opening of Fowlmere School in 1861. The Ball will be held in October as the culmination of a range of activities which are planned to commemorate the anniversary. There will be no Summer Fayre this year.

The 150th celebrations include a week's worth of activities from July 4th – 8th, culminating in a 'tea party' on Saturday 9th July. This week of activity will involve the whole school and everyone connected with the school – both past and present – is invited. More details about these activities will be made available in the coming weeks.

The School and the Community

Community links remain a priority for the school. Parents receive an annual report on the progress of their children, and regular opportunities arise for discussions with teachers. Some examples of school involvement with the community include:

- In summer term 2010, Class 4 took part in the Meldreth Manor Music Day, and the choir sang with the Cambridge Choral Society at Comberton Village College.
- On 2nd April 2011 the Choir and Percussion Group took part in a fund-raising concert in Cambridge in aid of Send-a-Cow. Mr John Marshall, a Fowlmere villager, is a regional ambassador for Send-a-Cow.
- Class 4 have now established links via Miss Marshall with Nice View Academy in Kenya, exchanging news and information.
- The After School Club continues to operate in Thriplow.

Finance

As was predicted last year, school financing for the current and next financial year is very tight. The squeeze on public sector budgets is affecting Fowlmere School, and it is now apparent that we are facing an 80% cut in capital funding.

The decision to invest £80,000 in a new central heating boiler for the school (which was previously planned for this financial year) has been postponed indefinitely. This ensures that we will maintain enough money in the pot to cover our costs for the foreseeable future.

The Governors are continuing to work with Mr Elcock and the Senior Management Team to ensure we are able to maintain the current high standards of teaching while remaining within our budgets.

Governors

We are fortunate to have a 'near-full complement' of active Governors:

Simon Brooks	Community Governor
Steve Lester	Community Governor
Andrew Newby	Parent Governor
Caroline Hopkins	Staff Governor
Juliette Webb	Parent Governor
Richard Elcock	Headteacher
Chris Ramsey	Parent Governor
Pat Flynn	Community Governor
Janis Anderson	Staff Governor
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2 individuals have been nominated and accepted to fill the LA Governor posts, though their applications forms are not yet submitted and processed.

Simon Brooks will be stepping down as Chair of Governors at the next Full Governors meeting in the Autumn Term 2011.

Conclusion

Once again the governors thank all those involved with the school for their hard work and dedication to the children. We are very conscious of the central role that school plays within their community and the Governors will continue to support the hard work of the staff and helpers which makes Fowlmere School such a special place.

10. VILLAGE HALL REPORT – by Mrs Tamsin Goodfellow – Chair of the Fowlmere Village Hall and Recreation Ground Committee

Thank you for this invitation. You will also have recently received our news letter which updated the whole village as to events held and those coming up; money raised and our plans; and the offer relating to the kitchen. All extremely good news and we are very grateful to all those who support us

The Fundraising Team is fantastic, lead by Mandy Thornton, the increased footfall has lead to a great increase in interest. KWS in Thriplow has promised £10,000 towards a new kitchen and other bids will hopefully be successful for additional funding.

Forthcoming events include

- a car boot sale 22nd May,
- a quiz on a date to be confirmed,
- Illyria 2nd Sept – this is a very good open air theatre company who will be performing Pirates of Penzance. A family event; bring a picnic and a rug as well as lots of friends. We hope to sell 500 tickets for this
- Ceilidh 26th Nov and
- obviously several more farmers markets this year.

We look forward to seeing the members of the Parish Council and public at these events

Cllr Roberts wanted to thanks Tamsin for all her enthusiasm and the team have been so determined to achieve the keep the Village Hall running. It's a credit to Tamsin and all those who have worked so hard to put on so many events, there is something for everyone now. She wishes them continued success, it's a great facility and provides a wonderful facility for the village.

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Bates would like to express his thanks to Cllr Roberts, the Clerk and others who have provided their reports. He would also like to thank everyone for their kind words about his retirement.

Everyone was thanked for attending and the meeting closed at 8:30 pm.

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