

Abbots Langley Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Wednesday 6th March 2013, 7:30 pm at Tanners Wood Hall, School Mead, Abbots Langley.

Those present:

Councillors: Councillors Keith Williams (Chairman), Gloria Keaveny (Vice-Chairman), David Major, Sara Bedford, Jean Bowman, Jane Lay, Belinda Phipps, Owen Roe, John Wyatt and Jeff Hill.

Apologies: Councillors Stephen Giles-Medhurst and Leon Lay.

Officers: Tim Perkins (Clerk to the Council) & Janet Pearce (Planning and Meetings Officer).

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The meeting opened at 7:30 pm.

1. Welcome

Councillor Keith Williams, Chairman of the Parish Council, welcomed all attendees to the meeting, in particular all the organisations that had attended as part of the "Community Showcase".

2. Apologies

Apologies from Councillors as detailed above were noted.

The Chairman offered best wishes to Councillor Leon Lay who was currently unwell.

3. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 2011-2012

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, held on 7th March 2012, were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting, having been proposed by Councillor David Major and seconded by Councillor Jane Lay.

4. Annual Report and Committee Reports

An overview of the Annual Report of the Parish Council was presented by the Chairman of the Parish Council.

The Chairman reminded all those present of the recent death of Councillor Ivy Young, which is mentioned in a number of the reports and recognised the excellent service that she had given to both the Parish Council and wider community over many years. Thanks were also offered to the local press for the fitting tributes they published.

The Chairmen of the Council's Planning & Highways, Finance and Administration Leisure and Staffing Committees summarised their reports.

The Chairman asked for question from the public, of which there were none.

5. Meeting Closed

There being no further business the Chairman closed the formal meeting at 8:02 pm thanking colleagues and the Parish Council staff for all their hard work during the year.

Grant certificates and the Civic Awards were then presented.

6. Grant Certificates

Grant certificates were presented to local organisations, as detailed in the Annual Report.

Recipient organisations thanked the Parish Council for their support.

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7. Civic Awards

The Chairman explained that there would not be a Chairman's reception this year, so he was taking the opportunity of this meeting to present the Civic Awards. The recipients were:

- i. Local Community Group (Shield)
Abbots Langley Transition Town Association
- ii. Service to the Local Community (Cup)
The Bedmond Village Task Force
- iii. Outstanding Individual Achievement (Cup)
Ron Smith

8. Community Showcase

The Chairman invited everyone to visit the stands that had been set up by participants in the Community Showcase.

All the groups were thanked for their participation and apologies were offered to those organisations that wanted to attend, but could not do so due to the constraints of space.

The participating organisations are listed as an appendix to these minutes.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Community Showcase - Participating Organisations.

- i. A Heart for Abbots Langley (Refreshments)
- ii. Abbots Langley Bowling Club
- iii. Abbots in Transition
- iv. Abbots Langley Community Centre
- v. Abbots Langley Gardening Society
- vi. Abbots Langley Local History Society
- vii. Bedmond Task Force
- viii. Bedmond Women's Institute
- ix. Citizens Advice Bureau
- x. Churches Together
- xi. Girl Guiding - Kings Langley & Abbots Langley
- xii. Henderson Hub
- xiii. Hillside Residents Association
- xiv. 1st Abbots Langley Scout Group
- xv. Royal British Legion - Abbots Langley Branch
- xvi. RAF Association - Abbots Langley & Kings Langley Branch
- xvii. YMCA