

## EBERNOE PARISH COUNCIL

The Ebernoe Annual Parish Meeting was held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.30p.m. in Holy Trinity Church Ebernoe.

Present: Councillor Mrs. A. Tyrrell, Councillor Miss F. Abraham, Councillor Mr. J. Harvey, Councillor Mrs.S. Kendall, Councillor Mrs.S. Nyfield, Councillor Mr. I. Parkinson and Councillor Mr. P. Simmonds

In attendance Mr. G. Evans (District Councillor) and Mrs. H. Scott (Parish Clerk)

1. Apologies of absence – none.
2. The minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019 (the 2020 Annual Parish Meeting cancelled due to Covid19 regulations) approved unanimously by all present and duly signed.
3. There were no matters arising.
4. Chairman's Report

This has been an unprecedented year due to the pandemic. Whilst we have had only a few meetings and Zoom meetings we are fortunate that Ebernoe people were able to avoid some of the worst outcomes of covid, More than ever our villagers have worked at home and kept communication going by chats over the garden fence as well as electronically. Not least dog walkers have had lots of chance meetings!

Helen has done an absolutely amazing job in keeping us well informed on important issues such as the additional proposed housing in Kirdford and the development of Gatwick. Councillors gave Helen a vote of thanks.

As we come back to life:

Priorities may well include:

Ensuring that BT lets us know when the infrastructure for superfast broadband is complete.

Keeping a watchful eye on ribbon development just around our boundary and just outside the national park with thanks to Councillor Harvey for his report re Kirdford and related planning matters.

Keeping in touch with Gatwick developments with thanks to Councillor Nyfield for her report. It was agreed that Councillor Nyfield would respond to the consultation by 31<sup>st</sup> May on behalf of the parish council.

Turning the phone box into an information point. The Clerk to find out progress of adoption of phone box from BT for the next meeting.

Supporting community life in Ebernoe as we become able to socialise again – an event is planning on the green on September 4<sup>th</sup> – ideas welcome.

A traditional bonfire is planned for November 2020 Councillor Simmonds to take the lead on this project.

It is intended to repeat the carols on the green in addition to the carol service. This will be on December 12<sup>th</sup>. The carol service is December 19<sup>th</sup> to include the raffle and refreshment.

I think we should produce a welcome pack for Ebernoe. A reference to on line information surely cannot beat a friendly face and a warm welcome – the Chairman to take the lead on this project.

5. Any Business raised from parishioners – none present.

The Chairman then thanked all those present.

The Parish Council AGM followed this meeting at 8.00p.m.