

# What's Going On?

### The Newsletter of Bulmer - March 2019

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### **Local Elections – 2 May 2019**



This year you will need to bring ID to vote at polling stations for the local elections on 2nd May. This can either be one piece of photo ID such as a passport or driving licence, or two pieces of non-photo ID such as your poll card, debit/credit card or Council Tax bill. The full list of what types of ID that will be accepted can be found at:

www.braintree.gov.uk/voterid

Don't have anything on the list? Don't worry. Contact the Elections Team at Braintree District Council who will be able to help you. You may qualify for a free electoral identity document which will be issued by Braintree District Council. You can either call 01376 552525 or email voterid@braintree.gov.uk

\*Please note that this does not affect postal votes. \*

More information about voter ID is available on the Braintree District Council website at: www.braintree.gov.uk/voterid

### **BULMER SKYLARKS**

As always the cold weather did not deter our members from attending the first meeting of 2019. We had a packed room for the talk given by Simon White from Peter Beales Roses. Simon had brought with him bush roses and clematis which he offered at a very cheap price so most were snapped up quickly. Our February meeting should have seen us welcoming an old friend Robert Burridge but unfortunately he had to cancel due to health issues. However Keith Lovell valiantly stepped in and entertained us with the History of Essex foods. March's meeting saw the same problem arising as our speaker had to cancel, again for health reasons, so we were lucky to obtain a speaker from the Hedgehog Hospital. We are so grateful to both speakers for stepping in at the last minute.

The programme for the next few months will hopefully see us welcoming Paula Short on 23rd April who will be speaking on the life of Josephine Baker. Essex's Best Kept Secret is the subject of our meeting on 28th May. This will be given by the Essex Lowland Search and Rescue group who will also be introducing us to their K9 helpers. Once again we will be holding our summer party in June, always a popular event.

If you are interested in our group or would like to know more about us please ring Barbara on 370845 or Maggie on 374758 or just come along to a meeting, there is always a warm welcome waiting for you.

### **BULMER STITCH AND SEW CLUB**

Everyone welcome – we meet on the first Monday in the month from 2-4pm. If it falls on a Bank Holiday it is on the 2nd Monday. We pay £1 per session this helps to pay for the hire of the hall and refreshments. If anyone else would like to join us (men as well) please ring Margaret 01787 312915 for further information.

### **VILLAGE HALL NEWS**

We have been very fortunate to have some younger members joining the Committee who have brought enthusiasm to our meetings. We thank them for this and feel we can go forward and make the Village Hall an asset to our community.

We have had problems with the flat roof especially when it rains but hopefully this will be fixed very soon and we apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

There are many things planned for this year. There will be a Collectors Exhibition in the Hall on Sunday 19th May. This is an annual event and not to be missed.

We are planning a Village Fete to be held on 8th June. It is strongly hoped that it will bring the whole Village working together. St Andrew's Church are very interested and the Parish Council will be approached. The Fete will be held on Church Meadow and in the Village Hall. There will be a licensed bar, barbeque, games and stalls, cream teas and hopefully a fun dog show plus other attractions. A flyer giving all details will be distributed to everyone nearer the time. If you feel you can help out in any way please ring 374758 or 373451.

The Horticultural Event will again be held on 10th August so get those green fingers working. Further details of this will be published later.

The A.G.M. will be held on 24th May at 8pm. This is your chance to give your views on how the Village Hall is run, give us ideas on how you would like it run or just come along to show us your support. Hope to see you there.

### **BULMER HISTORY SOCIETY**

Over 100 people attended Bulmer Village Hall on the 1st March, for a most amusing and interesting talk "Silk From China to the Essex Suffolk Borders," given by Richard Humphries of Humphries Fabrics. Using samples of materials to illustrate his talk, he spoke about how at the time of James 1st, and using an example of a 'fulled' woollen material used for his undergarments, efforts were made to create a silk weaving industry in Britain. Huguenot craftsman displaced from Europe by the Reformation settled in London and began creating high quality silk materials in competition with wool weavers in areas outside of London (Norwich). The Fire of London and punitive taxation for London based weavers, forced them to move to areas outside of London, where taxation was lower, but transportation costs to London were low. As a result George Courtauld moved to Pebmarsh (1794) and set up his first 'throwing' mill (the process where silk thread in produced from the cocoon). Subsequently his son, Samuel set up mills in Halsted and Bocking, where a steam powered loom was installed in 1825.

Using samples of beautiful silk materials (produced from his bag like Mary Poppins) as illustrations, Richard spoke about Queen Victoria's taste for silk wall hangings and subsequent restorations in Osborne House. Materials were shown for restoration projects such as for Windsor Castle after the fire in November 1992, The State Bed in the Speakers Chambers in the Houses of Parliament, Buckingham Palace, and a number of National Trust and private houses.

A vote of thanks was given by Noel Owen on behalf of the enthusiastic audience.

### **VILLAGE HALL LOTTERY**

If you are new to the Village and would like to support the Village Hall why not join the Lottery. You can join for as little as 50p per number and can hold up to 4 numbers. If you would like to know more ring Dawn at the Post Office on 376676 or Maggie on 374758.

The Lottery still provides 3 lucky winners each month. It is a vital fundraiser for your village hall. Are you a member? The more members the more funds for the village Hall and bigger prizes.

Please support your village hall and contact Dawn at the Post Office (01787 376676) if you would like to join the village lottery.

Month	First	Second	Third
January	Mr A Skipper	Mr I Hepburn	Mrs K Macaree
February	Mr & Mrs B Parry	Mr M Costello	Mr L Raymond

### **COUNTY BROADBAND**

County Broadband were asked to provide an update for this magazine but failed to respond.

### ST ANDREWS PARISH CHURCH

We are quarter of the way through 2019 already with, thankfully, not too much snow and ice as last year. At the end of March our church will lose our current Vicar. Sally is leaving us for pastures new. We will keep you posted in the next "What's Going On" as to any progress made regarding a new Vicar.

Our family services mentioned last time were both successful and enjoyed by everyone present though more children would be lovely. If you receive this in time then here is a reminder about our Mothers Day service on 31st March at 10.30 am. Children bring your mums or carers to receive their posies. Our choir are leading this service and there will be plenty for the children to do.

7th April will be our Songs of Praise. I already have quite a few hymns chosen but if you have a favourite let me know and I will try to fit it in or just come along and have a good sing at 10.30.

We are meeting at 2pm on Good Friday for our annual walk of witness from the church and along Bulmer Street stopping at a few places for a hymn and prayer. Everyone is welcome to join us.

We have our traditional Easter Day Service on 21st April at 11.15 followed by the Easter Egg hunt in the churchyard. Do come along.

Remember the first Sunday in every month is our family service at 10.30.

Please let any member of the church know if you would like anyone prayed for during our services or a visit from someone.

One last thing:- When the Parish Magazine for May is delivered you will find an envelope inside containing a letter from St Andrew`s PCC (Parochial Church Council). Please read it first before recycling it because it is seeking your help and advice about a few things. Thank you.

**Bill Dixey - St Andrew's PCC** 

### VILLAGE MUTTERINGS

Well now, a number of things are a foot in Bulmer, have you heard there is now another vacancy on the Parish council following another resignation. This now leaves only 3 councillors with 4 vacancies. As we have an election looming on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, no one can be co-opted until after the election if vacancies still exist. So now is your chance to be elected onto the council in May. If you would like advice on and how to become a Councillor, I suggest you contact the clerk Kevin Money on 07810781509 or email at <a href="mailto:bulmerparishclerk@gmail.com">bulmerparishclerk@gmail.com</a>. Oh and don't forget your ID when voting in May, your poll card on its own is not sufficient to receive a voting slip.

Another major development is permission has been granted for seven, yes seven, more houses to be built in Bulmer Street. Precisely where, you ask, these will be outside the village envelope next to Back House Croft, mainly behind the hedge beside the road with one access near Back House Croft. Their design is a modern take on the Essex Black Barn, work is to start within the next month if not already started by the time this goes to press.

Now I don't like to mention Brexit, but signs are fruit and veg could become dearer, so why not take an allotment and grow your own, contact Kevin Money as above for details.

What else has been happening, well I have observed our very dedicated team of litter pickers working hard in quite dangerous places on our narrow pavement less roads, what a wonderful job they do, thank you - **The Villager Whisperer** 

### **ALLOTMENTS VACANCIES**

Interested in having an allotment? We currently have vacant plots that can be a welcome addition to your garden allowing you the freedom to grow a variety of produce. The allotment holders are a friendly and welcoming group of ladies and gentlemen who are always happy to share ideas and advice if asked. Please contact by email our parish clerk on <a href="mailto:bulmerparishclerk@qmail.com">bulmerparishclerk@qmail.com</a> for further information.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Dear Sir/Madam,

### **ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)**

Temporary Traffic Regulation Order of Kitchen Hill, Bulmer

Please click on the following link <a href="https://roadworks.org?tm=111805623">https://roadworks.org?tm=111805623</a> to find details of the intended closure of Kitchen Hill, due to commence on 10th April 2019 for 7 days. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while Essex County Council undertakes carriageway patching.

Regards,

# **Essex Streetworks Team Highways**

Ringway Jacobs | Essex County Council

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Website: <a href="http://www.essex.gov.uk/highways">http://www.essex.gov.uk/highways</a>

Have you seen <a href="https://www.roadworks.org">www.roadworks.org</a> for road works on the Essex Network?

To unsubscribe from future notices please email <a href="mailto:permit-scheme@essexhighways.org">permit-scheme@essexhighways.org</a>

### **NATURE DIARY**



We might have been nature watching but I have the feeling that these fallow deer in Deal Nursery were definitely people watching!

We often see little groups of crows or rooks feeding on the distant fields behind Bulmer Street, but rarely do I pay much attention to them. For whatever reason, I scanned a little flock of what turned out to be carrion crows about half a mile distant in front of Heaven Wood. As I watched through the binoculars I saw something lighter coloured moving amongst the crows. Turning to the more powerful telescope, this lighter being revealed itself to be a buzzard. It was clearly feeding on something - probably a dead rabbit, tearing off and swallowing chunks of it and obviously having a really good tuck in. The crows, about twenty of them, were milling round and doing their level best to get a share of the buzzard's prize, continually darting in hoping to snatch a morsel. The large raptor was having none of this however and the threat of that vicious beak was enough to put the would-be robbers into rapid retreat. Even though it was outnumbered about twenty to one, I didn't see one crow succeed in getting past the defences, they certainly treated the buzzard with the greatest respect.

It set me thinking of two similar situations involving carrion crows in the past. The first was when half a dozen crows were trying to muscle in on a lesser black backed gull. Again, the crows were the underdogs and had zero success. The second incident involved two carrion crows and a sparrowhawk. Here the boot was on the other foot. The sparrowhawk had caught a wood pigeon – bigger, if anything, than itself and quite a prize. The crows kept up a constant campaign of harassment and although the hawk did manage to devour a few mouthfuls of its prey, it eventually succumbed to the pressure, and flew off to leave the crows with their ill-gotten gain.

Our plant group's traditional New Year's Day flower survey was held in Bulmer this year. We covered Coes Meadow and the old churchyard. Amazingly we found 29 species of wild plants actually in flower, which equalled our previous record count over the 20 years or so that we have been venturing out at the New Year. These flowers included burnet saxifrage, cut leaved cranesbill, red campion, creeping and meadow buttercups, prickly and smooth sow thistles, smooth hawksbeard, annual mercury, red and white deadnettle. Quite an interesting selection, the majority of which were found in the churchyard.

Recently we were looking at a row of ash trees growing along a field hedge and noticing that some of them had a really heavy crop of ash keys (the winged seeds pictured right) whilst others were quite bare. What was the reason for this? I checked it out and as I suspected, found that most ash trees are either male or female, the female of course being the one which produces the seeds. There will however be the odd tree that is both male and female, the male and female flowers being borne on separate branches. Unusually then, ash together with maple can be either *dioecious*, where any one tree has either all male or all female flowers, or *monoecious* (meaning that both sexes occur on an individual tree.) Following on from this, I checked to see which category a few of our other native trees were in. *Dioecious trees*:- ash, holly, maple, poplar, willow, yew. *Monoecious trees*:- alder, birch, elm, hornbeam, oak, blackthorn, hawthorn.





This has been a good winter for waxwings. These showy birds migrate here from the northern continent, in some years there are very few of them, but this year they have been turning up in considerable numbers.

Allen Burbidge struck lucky when he spotted a flock of about 30 at Borley in early February. The one pictured was feeding on our Darcy Spice apples, in December 2012, which was a one-off occasion for us.

A barn owl has been fairly regularly seen around the Goldingham and Smeetham Hall fields behind Bulmer Street by various people. We walked down there one late February evening but drew a blank. It was after one of those ridiculous, almost hot days that we enjoyed. What we did see were three bats, no doubt after some of the insects brought out by the earlier warmth. But, in truth, an early warm spell like that can be bad news for wildlife,

especially those species like the bats which have hibernated through the winter. The cold spell which followed will have come with as much of a shock to them as it did to us, but they can't turn up the heating, or go to the freezer when they find that their normal sources of food are just not there.

Apparently bumblebees were out too early this year, being out before their food plants were in full bloom, according to a speaker from the Bumblebee Conservation Trust talking at Lavenham earlier this month. This was a talk full of information and fascinating insights into the life of these welcome visitors to our gardens. There are 250 different species worldwide 25 of which are in Britain. They are believed to have evolved in the Himalayas, eventually spreading to Europe and Britain. He compared them with honey bees, which will have upwards of 50,000 bees in a hive whereas Bumblebees will only have between 50 and 500 in a nest. Between the 25 species of bumblebees their tongue lengths vary between 6 mm and 22 mm. This means that some of them can reach the nectar from flowers with deep trumpets, like foxgloves, which honey bees can't reach as their tongues are too short at only 6mm. Another quite mind blowing fact is that when in flight, the friction created by its wings generates a positive electrostatic charge, this makes the whole insect "alive". When it visits a flower, the flower of course is rooted in the soil and is in effect "earthed" and carries a negative charge. Of course, the pollen grains in the flower have a negative charge. Positive attracts negative and vice versa. When a bee visits a flower to collect pollen, much of the pollen will jump over to the bumblebee and stick to it's hairy coat. The attraction works both ways of course and some of the pollen grains that the bee had already collected from other flowers, will hop across to this new flower, thereby cross-pollinating it, which is just what the flower needs to set it's seeds. Oh the wonders of nature!

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All meetings are bi-monthly, normally held on the third Monday of the month in the Village Hall at 7:45pm except the AGM starts 7:15pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend and there is a 15 minute slot for statements/questions from the floor.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS		
29 April 2019		
20 May 2019 (Annual Assembly)		
15 July 2019		

# Minutes of the Bulmer Parish Council held on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>. January 2019 at Bulmer Village Hall at 7.45pm

Present: Cllr R. Raymond (Chairman), Cllr A. Lyes & Cllr S. Morgan. ECC D. Finch and BDC Cllr W. Scattergood. Also, present was Kevin B. Money and 2 members of the Public

**001/2019 Chairman Welcome.** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 002/2019 To ratify the appointment of Mr. Kevin B. Money as Parish Clerk/RFO to the Council

Cllr R. Raymond proposed and Cllr A. Lyes seconded that Mr. Kevin B. Money be appointed as Parish Clerk/RFO to Bulmer Parish Council. **All Agreed**.

The Chairman and Kevin Money then signed the contract of employment

**003/2019 Apologies for Absence.** The Chairman informed the meeting that she had received an email from Cllr P. Benns resigning as a Parish Councillor with immediate effect. The Chairman thanked Phil Benns for all is work as a Parish Councillor.

### 004/2019 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the Agenda No Councillor declared any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the Agenda

### 005/2019 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Bulmer Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup>. December 2018 Cllr S. Morgan proposed and Cllr A. Lyes seconded to approve the minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup>. December 2019 meeting. **All Agreed** 

### 006/2019 Chairman's report and any update since last meeting

The Chairman thanked Kevin for taking on the role of Parish Clerk/RFO she also again mentioned the sad resignation of Phil Benns. She then asked if residents would consider becoming new Councillors. If they were interested then could they please contact the Parish Clerk registering their interest at bulmerparishclerk@gmail.com

### 007/2019 Public Participation Session

The Chairman will invite questions and observations from members of the public present. A maximum time of 15 minutes will be allowed.

A resident informed the meeting that in his opinion the village is looking untidy. The finger post at Lime Avenue – Opp. Village Hall – Chevron sign Dog pit corner are all at angles. Cllr D. Finch suggested using the ECC/EALC Local Services Fund to have a "handyman" in the village undertake such tasks.

### 008/2019 Essex County Councillors report – Cllr David Finch

Essex County Council is the most efficient/effective Council of its size in the country and ranks seventh overall.

- Consultancy iMPOWER surveyed 150 upper-tier councils, with ECC 7<sup>th</sup>. for spending money effectively and getting the best results for residents
- ECC has improved its productivity/effectiveness, moving up from 23<sup>rd</sup>. place last year. The results are drawn from an analysis of performance in six key areas: children's social care, older people, disability, health and social care, housing and homelessness, waste and recycling.
- Reports of potholes decreased by 45% in Essex between 2015-2017
   National figures released by the RAC in December 2018 showed Essex bucking national trends, where reports have been increasing. The figure reflects our hard work in tackling potholes, with extra funding/resources deployed to clear the backlog particularly following the 'beast from the East' cold snap at the beginning of 2018.

• ECC is the best social work employer

ECC places great emphasis on training and career progression for social workers through the Essex Social Care Academy The Council has created a stable workforce with limited use of agency staff, which has been in part due to the introduction of a high-quality programme of support in employment.

We are committed to making our social workers feel valued and positive and achieve positive outcomes for vulnerable children, families and adults.

• Broadband rollout (El 4m investment)

As of November 2018, 115,000 properties have been enabled (phase 2 of the rollout continues).

Delivery will reach its peak over the next nine months.

Just 3% of Essex (26,000 properties) has no existing or planned superfast coverage.

• Devolved funding to Parish Councils

Parishes have been invited to take part in a pilot where they would undertake devolved highways functions, including grass cutting and special verge maintenance, weed control, tree and hedge cutting, minor footway repairs, installing/maintaining signs, winter salt bags, maintaining bus stops/shelters, and maintaining public rights of way.

15 Parish Councils have expressed an interest in taking part in the pilot.

• Essex's Youth Offending team does 'Outstanding' work with young offenders

HM Inspectorate of Probation announced in December that the service was 'outstanding', its highest category. Many aspects of its work to prevent reoffending were found to be 'impressive', and the service was praised for its consistent approach despite covering one of the largest areas in the country.

Dame Glenys Stacey, HM Chief Inspector of Probation, said: "The arrangements for youth offending work and the focus given to it by strategic leaders are clear and well understood. The work is led well by both strategic leaders and operational managers."

Schools and skills success

94% of ECC schools are rated as good or outstanding. We are supporting the training of young people in Essex through apprenticeships and academic study, working in conjunction with further education providers and universities, to ensure we are producing people with the right skills to help grow the Essex economy.

- Reducing unauthorised Gypsy and Traveller encampments
  Working with the Police and Crime Commissioner, Roger Hurst, we have seen a 40% reduction in unauthorised Gypsy and traveller encampments.
- Essex Housing

We are successfully bringing former public sector land into use for housing. Our flagship scheme is Goldlay Gardens in Chelmsford, which has 23 private homes and 23 specialist flats for young people with learning disabilities.

Children's Services

In January we were given an overall grade of 'Outstanding' by Ofsted following an inspection in November. ECC has been recognised in parliament and by the Children's Minister, Nadhim Zahawi MP, as being the leading light in children's services. Mr Zahawi has visited Essex to look at how we provide services and achieve excellent outcomes for costs which are below national averages • We anticipate we will shortly be offering evidence to the MHCLG Parliamentary Select Committee on Children's Services funding.

### **Budget 2019/20**

Despite our efforts, inflation, price increases, population growth and greater demand for services means we need to increase Council tax by 2.99% and use the 1% Social Care precept. Taking these increases into account, the council tax for a band d property will be £1270.44: this is an increase of £0.94 pence per week.

There are major road improvements planned in conjunction with the development of housing across the County and the County's Capital programme is £249 million – major elements are £117 million on highways £87 million on Schools and £14 million on Broadband.

The Council's organizational strategy is focused on the following Key areas of focus for 18/19 and 19/20.

- a. Enable inclusive economic growth
- b. Help people get the best start and age well
- c. Help create great places to grow up, live and work
- d. Transform the council to achieve more with less

Should Councillors want a copy of the 173-page Strategy I will be happy to provide an electronic copy.!! As always, I'm happy to deal with any issues or problems discussed at your meeting.

Cllr Finch then took questions from the residents and Councillors then he left the meeting

### 009/2019 District Councillors report – Cllr Wendy Scattergood

- BDC has not set the budget for 2019/20 yet. The Scrutiny committee will meet next week
- BDC is in a good position by investing in properties realising 6-7% p.a.
- Funding should not be cut to ANOB
- Planning Has now got a 5 year PLUS housing supply
- BDC £650,000 put into Essex Broadband service
- BDC investing in small business units

Cllr W. Scattergood then took questions from the Councillors then left the meeting

### **010/2019 Allotments -** Update on a secondary water outlet at Turnpike Piece.

A few residents have contacted the Parish Council. Cllr S. Morgan is arranging to get all 3 residents together this weekend.

M. Crome has supplied a quotation to supply a secondary water outlet at Park Lane. Further quotations are still required. The Clerk was asked to find the previous quotations and to ask the companies to re-quote

Other Parish Council were asked if they would advertise vacant allotments in Bulmer.

**O11/2019** Coes Meadow - Update to include issues and repairs required and also the setting up of a new Coes Meadow Management Committee as soon as possible.

A successful working party at Coes Meadow last week. Clearing, shredding, remove and cut down a tree for £200. Cllr R. Raymond proposed to remove tree and to clear the area. Seconded by Cllr S. Morgan.

All Agreed

A letter was read out by the Chairman from a resident regarding the Honey Fungus.

The Clerk was asked to send an acknowledgement to the resident. Cllr R. Raymond stressed to the meeting that a committee must be set-up ASAP for Coe's Meadow.

The Clerk was asked to produce the report and jobs that were needed to be done at Coes Meadows

#### 012/2019 Planning Applications

18/02145/FUL - Land South Of Hedingham Road Bulmer Essex

Erection of agricultural storage building and new vehicular access

**BPC Decision**: Bulmer Parish Council requests that the Applicant produces evidence for the use of the building on such a small piece of land which cannot be justified.?

The size of the building and the land would not sustain agricultural use. There is a major highways issue. It is a major blackspot area. There have been numerous vehicle accidents and telegraph poles have been damaged. The Parish Council also refers the planning case officer to residents' comments made against this application.

### 013/2019 Decision/s made by BDC on planning applications

No decisions have been made by BDC affecting Bulmer Parish Council

### 014/2019 Finance

- a. Bank balances and bank reconciliation as at 31<sup>st</sup>. December 2018 and 2018/19 budget account. Councillors noted the Bank balances and bank reconciliations
- b. Councillors to agree payment of January 2019 finances. Cllr A. Lyes proposed and Cllr S. Morgan seconded that the January '19 payments be authorised. All Agreed
- c. Councillors to agree Budget/Precept figures for 2019/20 previously discussed at the November meeting. After careful discussion Cllr S. Morgan proposed and Cllr A. Lyes seconded that the 2019/20 Precept of £9782 which equates to a 2.99% increase and a Band D property Tax base of 35.43p (79p increase) and that the form be signed and then sent to BDC.

  All Agreed
- d. Chairman and Clerk to sign Parish Council Precept form for 2019/20 from BDC. The Chairman and Clerk then signed the BDC Precept form.
- e. Internet Banking Changing to a specialised Parish Council Internet Bank. The Clerk asked Councillors to start considering changing the bank account to a dedicated Parish Council Internet bank. Councillors agreed to look at this at the next Full Council meeting. All Agreed
- f. Councillors to decide the payroll services for 2019/20. Councillors discussed at length changing the payroll services to DM Payroll Services Ltd. Cllr A. Lyes proposed and Cllr S. Morgan seconded changing to DM Payroll Services Ltd. The Chairman and Clerk then signed the contract.

### 015/2019 Items for Next Agenda

Quotation for Allotment water pipe

Date of Next Full Council meetings 18.03.19 - 29.04.19 (Annual Assembly): 20.05.19 (Annual Parish meeting followed by Parish Council meeting): 15.07.19: 16.09.19: 18.11.19

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm and thanked everyone for attending

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The next edition will be published at the end of June please send your articles and pictures to Carole Bennett at carolebennett@btinternet.com by the 14 June 2019.