



Minutes of the Foxearth & Liston Annual Electors meeting held in Foxearth Village Hall on Saturday 25th. May 2019 at 9.45am

Present: Cllr T. Clayton, Cllr M. Posen, Cllr W. Binks, Cllr K. Robson, BDC Cllr. I. Parker & Kevin Money (Clerk). Members of the public: 5

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Apologies for absence were received from ECC D. Finch

3. Approval and signature of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Electors held on 5th. May 2018

Cllr. K. Robson proposed and seconded by M. Waite that the minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting. **All Agreed**

4. Report from ECC David Finch

No Report was given

5. Report from DC Iona Parker

BDC held elections on 5th. May 2019. The new makeup of the Council is now

Out of the 49 members

34 are Conservatives

6 are Greens

7 are Independent

2 are Labour

BDC has purchased a 65 acre site in Gt. Notley. 40 acres to be developed.

The purchase has attracted a great deal of interest in companies wanting to expand into the district. They consist of high quality business with high paying jobs

BDC Councillors are undergoing a lot of training especially for new Councillors

At the last survey 151,000 people living in the District

BDC has removed 565 fly tipping reports

BDC has now obtained a 5-year housing supply

Cllr I. Parker left the meeting

6. Report of the Chairman of the Council

I suppose the major happening since our last meeting is the rejection of the planning application for Stafford Park by Redding Park Developments and I must take this opportunity to thank our District Councillor, Iona Parker for stepping up to the breach to support the Parish Council and Residents of Liston in the fight against such a large development in such an unsustainable location. We have heard on the grapevine that Redding Park will be lodging an appeal against the decision but it is yet to be ascertained whether or not the Planning Inspectorate will grant an appeal given the weight of evidence against development. This is set to drag on for some time yet I fear.

Broadband is coming along at a superfast rate with all the trenching and road diversions associated with such a mammoth task. I only hope the increase in speed is worth all the disruption we have all had to suffer. Cllr Posen will no doubt give us an update in his report.



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The Parish Council was not required to hold an election on the 2nd May as only Myself, Cllr Posen, Cllr Binks and Cllr Robson stood. Unfortunately, Cllr Corinne Cox and Cllr Phil Cox decided that due to heavy family commitments they could not devote sufficient time towards the Parish Council to warrant standing again. On behalf of both Parishes I would like to thank them for all the hard work they have put in over the years and especially Corinne who is a mine of information when it comes to Council matters and who will be sorely missed.

We do now have two vacancies on the Council and we will be advertising with a view to co-opting and will be inviting those who are interested to apply.

7. Residents / Councillors to agree Parish meeting dates for 2020

Cllr T. Clayton proposed to keep the meetings at 6 per year. Cllr M. Posen seconded.
All Agreed.

8. Public Forum

A question from a resident asked about the clearing at Rodbridge and the layby to be cleared. This will be taken up again with Essex Highways department.

When is the village sign being renovated? The Clerk informed residents that this is being done on 25th. June this year

M. Waite has contacted County Broadband about an update. Cllr M. Posen replied by saying that all the roadworks is to do with Gigaclear fibre cables. County Broadband have faced numerous issues getting permission to get the cables across the fields. August will be another start date taking 2 months and customer connection to residents after that. Maybe by Oct. / Nov will be provided.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.15am and thanked everyone for attending

Signed

Dated