

# LEADEN RODING PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at Leaden Roding Village Hall

Present:

From the Parish Council: Chairman Phil Sutterby, Cllr Ann Bush, Cllr Jim McIntock, Cllr Jeanette Norfolk, Cllr Geoff Todd and the clerk Terry Bell

District Councillor Susan Barker

1 Member of the Public

1. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME, Cllr Sutterby opened the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – None

3. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 were approved and signed as a true record. Approved by Cllr Bush, Seconded by Cllr McIntock.

4. PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT –

I would like to start by thanking our District Councillor, Susan Barker who attends our meetings when she can to answer Parish Councillors and members of the public's questions.

Thank you to our clerk, Terry Bell for her work and also to Parish Councillors for their input.

Since our last Annual Village meeting in May 2023, we still have problems with speeding traffic both on A1060 and B184, I do not think this problem will go away as people will speed. It is reported in March minutes that the speed limit signs are to be moved further out of the village on B184.

Parish Councillors continue to view planning applications.

We will continue to work with Uttlesford District Council to get jobs done but we all know Councils do not have a great deal of money at this time.

If any resident does have a problem, please let the Parish Clerk know.

5. FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2022/23

The receipts in the year were the £6,500.00 precept and £748.00 VAT refund, the latter being higher than usual due to VAT claimed back for purchases made during the last financial year for the late Queen's Jubilee celebrations. Although a donation of £500.00 was made to the church this year, monies paid out were less due to the discontinuation of the Leaden Reading, where only one payment was made and we did not receive the invoice of £2,244 for grass cutting until after 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024. We are also yet to receive an invoice for the green waste skip for last year, although the invoice for the previous year was settled. The Parish Council once again gave a donation of £25 as a prize for the Christmas lights competition which has again proved popular.

Fixed assets remain at £23,272.

The clerk suggested that although the deposit account is low at this time, and proving difficult to access to transfer funds from the current account, it is good to have some funds in the bank account for access in an emergency. There is however, still enough money to be spent on donations or village projects if Parish Councillors so wish.

6. PARISHONERS QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

None

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.