#### Annual Meeting of the Parish

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Pleshey held online on Wednesday, 5th May 2021 at 8.00pm.

## 1. Opening remarks the Parish Council Chairman on behalf of the Parish

Cllr. Jon Mallender opened the meeting and indicated that he plans to not stand for reelection as Parish Council Chairman for the year ahead as he will be leaving Pleshey.

Thanks were given for the excellent service by Pleshey Support group which provided exceptional neighbourhood support during the pandemic.

The Pleshey community development fund has been hampered by pandemic restrictions.

Future Technology improvements are needed with improved broadband and mobile coverage.

Enabling more home working and reduced car journeys also benefiting the environment.

We would like to see more trees (not in the allotments).

Concerns about the amount of fly tipping and general roadside waste. Thanks tour team of litter pickers. The Pleshey Phone box should come to life in the year ahead as an information centre and book

exchange. Thanks to the Parish Councillors and Clerk for their support over the last 5 years.

3 members of the public were present.

# 2. <u>Confirmation of the previous Minutes - 2019 ( No meeting 2020 due to Pandemic)</u> Resolution The Minutes were confirmed

### 3. Reports from Community Groups

Telephone box refurbishment for a Book Swop.

A resident outlined plans for using the telephone box as a community book swop centre which she volunteered to administer. These plans would include using the Village Hall as an overflow/sorting area to hold reserve donated stock. Provided the shelving was installed appropriately it should also be possible to offer Children's books and magazines in addition to books.

Cllr Holland confirmed that this proposal was acceptable to the Village Hall and the Clerk confirmed that the refurbishment work and painting of the box should be completed over the next 8 weeks. This would allow a launch to take place in August/September. The resident agreed to develop an article for pleshey Parish News as part of the launch.

The Chairman thanked the resident for volunteering to provide this service and confirmed that a parish information centre would also be included in the telephone box.

### Potholes

- A. 6 ways corner just before the apex after the BT exchange has been reported to highways
  - . Ref 3538197
- B. Bury Lane pothole just beyond the junction withy the Essex way .REF 2671409
- C. Missing 30 MPH sign Ref 2698773.

Meeting Closed 20.27
Will Adshead-Grant
Clerk to the Parish Council