

Great Yeldham Annual Parish Assembly

1st June 2022 at 7.00 pm in The Reading Rooms, High Street, Great Yeldham.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Cllr Philip Rawlinson, Chairman of the Parish Council.

2. Apologies

Apologies received from Cllr Peter Schwier – Essex CC and Cllrs Burr and Reddin – Gt Yeldham Parish Council.

3. Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly held on 26th May 2021.

A copy of the minutes available on the Parish Council website at

<https://greatyeldhampc.co.uk/annual-parish-meeting/> .

RESOLVED: That the meetings of the meeting held on 26th May 2021 were approved.

4. Annual Reports by the County Council, District Council, Parish Council.

Apologies received from Cllr Schwier. Annual Report on the Parish Council website.

Councillor Richard van Dulken presented the Annual Report for Braintree District Council, Key points:

- Councillor Grants to community organisation. Recent grant awarded to the Sports Ground Management Committee to re-decorate the pavilion and towards the outdoor exercise equipment.
- Appointed as Cabinet leader for Waste, Recycling and St Scene
- Regeneration of Town Centre High Street nearing completion with facilities include health facility, apartments, shops and underground car parking and bus station.
- Horizon 120 business park progressing
- New Heddingham Medical Centre, hopefully ready in summer 2023.
- Levelling Up Agenda –Braintree rural areas identified – future improvements plans.

A resident enquired about the MOJ outline proposals for a mega prison at Weathersfield Airbase. Cllr Dulken reported that BDC were still awaiting to hear back from the MOJ on the outline proposals. Main issues of concern are the environmental impacts i.e. traffic, road infrastructure and local amenities.

Councillor Philip Rawlinson presented the Annual Report for Great Yeldham, key points:

- Sports Ground: installation of 6 pieces of outdoor exercise equipment and a clamber stack climbing frame
- Burial Ground: installation of 10 car parking bays
- Installation of new Village Notice Board.
- Village Tidy Up day was organised, the hire of BDC Refuse Vehicle collected 2.720 tonnes of unwanted household items.

- Installation of another dog bag dispenser near the side entrance of St Andrews School.
- The refurbishment of the adopted BT kiosk located outside the Reading Room and special thanks to our volunteer Christine, who decorates the kiosk around the seasons

Copies of the Annual Reports are available on the website at <https://greatyeldhampc.co.uk/annual-parish-meeting/> .

5. Open Forum

Questions directed to the Parish Council from the public.

Resident raised concerns regarding the poor quality of roads in the village. Cllr Rawlinson stated that Essex Highways were responsible for Highway maintenance including potholes, road surface issues, blocked drains, damaged street lights, overgrown trees or missing lit bollards. Maintenance issues can be reported using the online highways reporting tool at <https://www.essexhighways.org/tell-us> . Concerns to be raised with Cllr Schwier.

6. Chairman's Address

Thanks to all those who took part in the evening proceedings and for the displays from the various local clubs, groups and societies.

Exhibits.

Meeting closed: 7.30