

## Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for Kingsmead held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022

This meeting is the annual meeting of the electorate, and all members of the public are invited to attend.

The meeting started at 7.03pm

## 1. Report from Chair of the Parish Council

The Chair reported that it has been a busy and interesting year for the Council.

Following the resignation of Cllr Lynn Williams at the end of 2021, a new member was co-opted in February 2022, who is proving to be a great asset to the Council with his knowledge and practical skills. The Chair thanked ex-Cllr Williams for all her efforts and support during her time on the council and wished her well for the future.

There have been several events organised and managed by the Council, including the poppy display in November, the Christmas event in December and the upcoming Jubilee weekend. All these events have received positive feedback from the community, and it was particularly good to see so many people coming together at Christmas after the lockdowns that had been experienced during 2020 and 2021. The Council is now very much looking forward to the Jubilee weekend, which it hopes will also prove to be a big success, with lots of the community attending. The Chair thanked the councillors for their support and contributions to organising the event.

There have been other changes over the year, including the appointment of a new contractor for the management of the grounds and several changes in clerk. It has been a big learning curve with the introduction of Countrywide, after several years of working with the previous contractor, and the Chair noted that there is still some improvement to achieve. He noted his support for the work done by the locum clerk towards this. The administration and finance of the council has been managed by locums for a significant period of the year, but the Chair was looking forward to the appointment of a permanent clerk this year, which would bring some stability. The Chair was also pleased to report the installation of a new play park at Burwardsley Way.

## 2. Issues raised by parishioners

There were no members of public present at the meeting and no issues had been brought to the attention of the Clerk prior to the meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.11pm.