

GREAT LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on **Tuesday 20th May 2008** at 7:00pm in the Parish Office, Neath Hill Local Centre.

Present : Cllr Morsley (Chair), Cllr Allum, Cllr Williams , Cllr Macaulay, Cllr Rose, Cllr Loftus, Cllr Pickhaver, Cllr Tripp ,Cllr Connor, Cllr Ellis , Cllr Markley, Cllr Brockwell, Cllr Wallis , Cllr Byfield, Cllr Teesdale, Cllr Stabler, Heather Denton (Thames Valley Police)

1. Apologies – none
2. Chairman's report. Cllr Morsley advised that there were many changes this year especially in personnel; eight new councillors filling vacant seats, retirement of the Parish Manager and recruitment of her successor. Planning matters still dominate and the decisions made at council were supported by MKC. The Parish Council requested changes to the Rocla development and the HiMO parking standards, as well as raising concerns over the Mercedes Benz plans. The Parish Council has also been active in its support of the neighbourhood policing teams which are at full strength. Also parishioners requested the provision of more dog poo bins, and this has seen a reduction in dog fouling issues. Local groups have been supported through Parish Council grants . Grants received by the council have provided more sporting facilities at Marsh Drive and the multi use games area at Downs Barn. The council continues to pressurise MKC to assist in reducing the parking issues at Marsh Drive. Within the parish the allotments are well supported and in the future further funding will assist with the development of an allotment site at Sandy Close. The Chair wished to thank Jenny Sharp for her tireless efforts for the parish and wish her the best in her retirement.
3. Minutes of the last Annual meeting were agreed on 19th June 2007.
4. Report from Thames Valley Police. WPC Heather Denton explained the new neighbourhood policing structures and how they support the community as well as the initiatives being brought in to help reduce crime, which is working.
5. Reports from Parish Groups and organisations. There were no reports
6. Residents questions: there were no residents present

The meeting closed at 7:22pm

Signed

Date