

Greatham Parish Council

Chairman— A.H.Randall Esq.

Clerk— Mrs.G.M.Eaves

The Annual Parish Meeting was held at Greatham Village Hall on Thursday 3rd April 1986, commencing at 7.00pm.

Present: A.H. Randall (Chairman) R.W. Flack
F.M. Momber E.M. Sampson
R.P. Williams R.P. Pickard
Lady Neave
G.M. Eaves (Clerk)
The local press representative and 16 members of the public.

Minutes: The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 21st March 1985 were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman.

Chairman's Report:

The Chairman extended a welcome to the members of the public and proceeded to outline the activities of the Parish Council during the year.
There had been a total of eight meetings:- six ordinary meetings, one special meeting and one annual parish meeting.
Planning: In the light of experience, professional advice would be sought when large scale developments such as that at the Eurotec Works, are to be considered. Mr. Randall and Mr. Sampson would continue to deal with minor applications.
Public Rights of Way: As a result of research carried out by Mr. Williams written assurance had been received from the MoD that access to the Longmoor Inclosure will not be restricted more than as at present.
Youth Club: This is being well organised and run with activities being enjoyed by local young people.
Play Area: Fund raising is progressing and the Parish Council had promised to contribute £300.
Best Kept Village Competition: Greatham has entered and Mr. Randall and Mrs. H. Jenkinson will be the contacts for this purpose.
Transport Bill 1985: Mrs. S. Dent is the representative liaising with H.C.C. It is hoped that a service as good as or better than that provided at present will operate once the Act is in force.
Coryton Seat: Thanks to the generosity of Miss G. Brooker a replacement is now in situ in the churchyard.
The Chairman then thanked Lt.Col. Digby in his absence, for his continued support, also Mrs. Digby for reporting the meetings and the Parish Councillors for their support.

Accounts:

The Clerk gave a detailed summary of the accounts for the year ending 31st March 1985. The accounts were adopted by the meeting.

Longmoor Ranges and Inclosure:

Mr. Williams reported that the new fencing along the Longmoor Road was designed to provide a definite boundary, not to keep people out. The recent large bangs which had been giving rise for concern, were caused by a third party with military approval. In future the lkg maximum charge would be enforced. The demolition area is to be moved to the present range area, leaving Weavers Down free. The new bylaws affecting the military areas locally are soon to be published when they will be subject to comment or criticism.

Litter:

A request for a litter bin to be placed near Longmoor Road/Wolfmere Lane was made and it was observed that the co-operation of the school children would be necessary if the area is to be kept tidy.

Lighting:

It was pointed out that the new light at the end of Longmoor Road does not work.

Roads:

Several members of the public expressed concern at the speed of traffic travelling through the village and the need for signs warning motorists of the new play area.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.55pm.

Chairman *M. Lee*

Date *5/ March 87*