

Greatham Parish Council

Chairman— R P Williams Esq

Clerk—Mrs G M Eaves

The Annual Parish Meeting was held at Greatham Village Hall on Thursday 16th March 1989, commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: R P Williams
R Flack
P Stevens
Mrs H Jenkinson
Mrs G M Eaves
27 members of the public
Guest speaker Mr Alan Baldwin, Head of Financial Services, East Hampshire District Council.

A H Randall
A Dent
K G Snelling

Apologies: Lt Col R M Digby and Mrs Digby.

Minutes: The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 3rd March 1988 were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman.

Chairman's Report:

The Chairman welcomed the guest speaker and members of the public to the meeting and then proceeded to outline the activities of the Parish Council during the past year.

Bus Services: The transport representatives Mrs Murphy and Mrs Flack had managed to get an improvement in the local bus service in that the No. 226 now goes from Aldershot to Petersfield direct without a change at Whitehill. Efforts are being made to have the bus stop signs reinstated near the school but it is unlikely that there will be success in obtaining an extension of the 'Bordhill' bus to include Greatham.

Best Kept Village Competition: Although Greatham did not win the efforts of the volunteers were noted and it is intended to enter again.

Planning: There had been fewer disagreements with the District Council on planning matters and the Draft Local Plan (commencing in 1991) is supported by the Parish Council. All of Greatham will be designated as countryside when the plan comes into force.

Dogs: The question of Byelaws and wardens to control the problem of dogs fouling footpaths etc is still in the melting pot. The Environmental Health Department of EHDC is studying an experimental scheme in Liphook before making any firm proposals.

A3: The Parish Council wrote to the Department of Transport objecting strongly to proposals by Liphook and Bramshott Parish Council and others that the Liphook West junction should be omitted from the scheme as this would greatly increase the journey from Greatham to Liphook. The attention of those present was also drawn to the likelihood of losing access to Longmoor Inclosure from Greatham. It was suggested that members of the public also make their own protests, possibly to their M.P.

Charities: The meeting was reminded of the existence of three charities applicable to Greatham. These are the Greatham Allotment Charity, the Smiths Bread Charity and

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the Coryton Almshouses Trust. Any queries regarding these charities should be put to Mr Randall who has first hand knowledge of all three, or to any other councillor who will pass the query on.

The Chairman concluded by thanking Sir Arundell Neave for his work as Community Adviser Officer; Mrs Flack and Mrs Murphy for being the Local Transport Representatives; Lt Col R M Digby for his advice and support; Mrs Digby for reporting the meetings and the Parish Councillors for their help during the year.

Accounts:

The Clerk provided a summary of the accounts for the year upto 16th march 1989 and these were adopted by the proposal of Lady Neave, seconded by Mrs Sampson.

Guest Speaker, Mr Alan Baldwin, Head of Financial Services, EHDC on The Community Charge/Poll Tax.

The background and administration of the community charge was described in some detail. The way it will affect the individual is briefly as follows.

The community charge will be payable by everyone over the age of 18 with only a few exceptions. Registration will start in May 1989, during October 1989 methods of payment (instalments, direct debits etc) will be established, completion of register in December 1989, National non-domestic rates list completed in January 1990 and then, accounts sent out in March 1990. The cost is expected to be in the region of £300 per head per annum and rebates will be available to those people with low incomes.

Mr Baldwin answered a number of questions and elaborated some of the points of his talk.

The Chairman thanked Mr Baldwin for putting over the facts regarding the community charge so clearly and for answering questions fully.

The Chairman then opened the meeting to other questions or comments from the public but since there were none he closed the meeting at approximately 8.45 pm.

Chairman *[Signature]*

Date 1.3.90

GREATHAM PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1.4.88 TO 16.3.89

Receipts

Balance on Current Account brought forward	£	1794.20
Balance on Deposit Account brought forward		917.48
EHDC Precept		1000.00
Interest on Deposit Account		17.15
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Payments

Donations	£	250.00
Insurance		55.12
HAPC Subscription		43.00
Repayment of Precept paid in error		1500.00
Loan to Greatham Social Centre		500.00
Clerk's Salary		400.00
Administrative Expenses		7.91
Best Kept Village Competition Entry Fee		3.00
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		2759.03

Balance £969.80

GREATHAM PARISH COUNCIL BANK RECONCILIATION ON 31ST MARCH 1988

Balance on Current Account	£1794.20
Balance on Deposit Account	£ 917.48
Total	<u>£2711.68</u>

Balance as per Receipts and Payments Book	<u>£2711.68</u>
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GREATHAM PARISH COUNCIL SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 1987/88 ENDING 31ST MARCH 1988

Receipts

Balance on Current Account brought forward	£ 305.11
Balance on Deposit Account brought forward	965.91
E.H.D.C. Precept	500.00
Donation	30.00
Interest on Deposit Account	51.57
VAT repaid	43.96
E.H.D.C. Precept (1988/89)	<u>1500.00</u>
	3396.55

Payments

Maintenance of War Memorial	£ 5.00
Insurance	50.12
H.A.P.C. Subscription	39.50
Clerk's Salary	325.75
Administrative Expenses	51.90
H.A.P.C. Fees for Councillor's Day	27.00
8 Copies of the Parish Councillor's Handbook	16.00
Triennial Audit Fees	96.60
Best Kept Village Competition Entry Fee	2.00
Hire of Hall for Meetings 1986/88	<u>71.00</u>
	684.87

Balance £2711.68