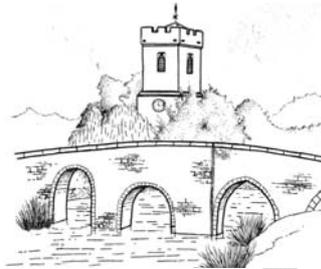


# **BIDFORD ON AVON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **In the County of Warwickshire**



**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting (Part 2) held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.15 p.m. at The Parish Meeting Room, Bramley Way, Bidford-on-Avon**

### **PRESENT**

Chairman                      Cllr Harvey

Cllrs.                            Atkins, Ms Deacon, Fleming, Hiscocks, Knight, Mrs Keeley, Ms Randell and Mrs Taylor

Also present:                16 members of the public

In attendance                Mrs E Uggerløse – Clerk to the Parish Council

As in 2017, the Parish Council had resolved to hold the Annual Parish Meeting in two parts: one as **“Meet your Sports & Community Groups”** Event, which took place at the Crawford Memorial Hall on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April between 9.30 am and 12.00: and Annual Meeting (Part 2) to take place on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April @ 7.15 pm at the Parish council Meeting Room.

- **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (PART 1)**

21 Local Community Groups had accepted the invitation to take part in the **“Meet your Sports & Community Groups”** event.

Following on from comments and lessons learned from the 2017 event, the Parish Council made sure the event was well publicised by:

- Placing double sided Correx Boards on the Advertising Gate to the 4 entrances to the village
- Placing notices on noticeboards and shops

- Posting it on the website
- Advising local resident's via the weekly information email system
- Advertising the event via the Parish Council's Facebook page
- The Stratford Herald carried a piece in its Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April issue

The event was well attended and the feed back from the various groups has been positive. It was busy and there was great engagement between the groups and between the groups and the local community.

Some groups unable to attend have expressed a wish to do so next year.

The chairman to the Parish Council gave a précis of the **Chairman's Report**, which is attached to these Minutes. He also encouraged the various groups to approach the Council for grants if they needed financial support.

The Parish Council would like to express its thanks to those Sports & Community Groups that attended the event and looks forward to welcoming them again next year.

- **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (PART 2)**

This was held at the Parish Council meeting on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 @ 7.15pm

There were 15 members of the public present

The Chairman bid all Welcome to the meeting

The Minutes of the 2017 Annual Parish Meeting were approved following the proposal by Cllr Knight that they were accurate and reflected the proceedings of the meeting

One issue had been raised:

- **Bus service through the High Street**

The resident, who lives in the High Street, proposes that the bus route be changed so that it goes via the B439 and not the High Street where it causes congestion and pollution.

However, another resident, not living on the High Street, advised that if the route through the High Street is cancelled and replaced by one using the relief road, it will be yet another nail in the coffin for the High Street and its foot fall.

The Chairman of the Communications and Marketing Working Group advised that she had made a point of going round the hall speaking to groups and people

- Every group had advised of potential new members, including the newer groups

- She had met a couple of families who are moving to the village in 2/3 months time, and had come to the event to see what happens in the community and parish
- She had spotted great feedback on the Parish Council's Facebook page.

Proposals of how to improve the event next year included

- A Visitor Book to establish attendance – the Clerk to see how this can be done bearing in mind the new GDPR legislation coming into effect on 25<sup>th</sup> May
- Starting the event @ 10.00 am
- Asking exhibitors/groups to park elsewhere once they have set up to free the Car Park for visitors

The Chairman thanked all for their efforts and closed the meeting at **7.25 pm**