# BYGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

# A meeting of Bygrave Parish Council Meeting was held in the Church of St. Margaret of Antioch on 21st May 2024 8.00pm in the St Margaret's Church Bygrave

Present: Cllr Phil Hills Cllr James Northern Cllr Claire Mortlock

## 1. Welcome

## 2. Apologies for absence

Dc Tom Tyson and Cllr Jarvis

## 3. To elect a chairman

Cllr Phil Hills elected

#### 4. To elect a Vice-Chairman

Cllr James Northern elected

#### 5. To receive the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Received

#### 6. To receive Declaration of office from all Councillors

Received

#### 7. To co –opt councillors to vacancies

Nigel Whittle and Ray Ferry were co-opted

#### 8. To update the Register of interest book

Signed

#### 9. To approve and sign the minutes of meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Approved

# 10. Finance report and expenditure approval and signing off the accounts for tax year 2023/2024

Clear Insurance £680.87

HAPTC Annual membership £167.18

All approved and accounts signed off to go to the internal auditor.

#### 11. To approve Planning applications as notified by the District Council

None received.

#### 12. Updates on Baldock Expansion

Ongoing reviews with NHDC, planning meeting to take place to discuss proposals to close Ashwell Road into Baldock and the field next to number 1 Ashwell Road maintained to separate the village.

No plans to start building until 2027/28 with 300 less houses than originally planned.

The development will be outside Bygrave Parish and will come under Baldock.

#### 13. Solar Farm application

All updates on the BAG action group website, they have done a phenomenal job writing to MP's, County and District Councillors and planners.

Next meeting will be mid-June 2024.

#### 14. Defibrillator application update

The safeguarding policy was adopted and our application for funding is progressing.

#### 15. Letters to Ashwell Road re the field

Letters will be sent to the residents who back onto the field to remind them of the terms of the lease agreement, with no gated access or storage on the field.

#### 16. History of Bygrave

A safe will be priced up to keep the historical documents sited in the church. Archiving of other parish documents will be explored with HAPTC.

#### 17. Cereals contacted licencing body – information only.

Awaiting a response to concerns raised about the volume of large vehicles to the event and access routes.

#### 18. Use of emails to residents

Cllr Mortlock will set up an email group to share information and offers of help to do odd jobs around the village such as painting the gate posts and bus shelter.

# 19. Correspondence

Circulated

# 20. To confirm date and time of next meeting

17<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 8pm

Signature ..... Dated .....