

## ABBERTON AND LANGENHOE PARISH COUNCIL

### ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024

The Annual Parish Meeting took place on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7pm, at the Village Hall, Edward Marke Drive, Langenhoe

Cllrs Present     Simon Dougherty  
                         Alan Frost – Vice Chair  
                         Jonathan Andrews  
                         John Knight  
                         James Lambert  
                         Malcolm Mattack  
                         Victoria Weavers  
                         Steve Wormell

Also in attendance – 17 members of public, CCC Cllrs Davidson and Powling and Clerk

001/24	Apologies for absence - none	
002/24	Chairmans Report Cllr Dougherty gave a brief resume of the Parish Councils activities during the last year. The resignations of Cllrs Palmer-Slatter and Lenart were noted and Cllr Weavers joined the council during the year. Cllr Dougherty thanked all the Cllrs for their diligence and enthusiasm and also all the volunteers who attend the many events during the year.	
003/24	Annual Reports from ECC/CCC Cllrs Cllrs Davidson and Powling will give their reports during the Full Council meeting	
004/24	Report from the Chair of Abberton and Langenhoe Community Association Cllr Frost gave a brief history of the Village Hall. He noted the many activities that have been staged during the past year for residents. The monthly social evenings and weekly coffee mornings are very well attended and he thanked all the volunteers who work behind the scenes to make these events successful. During the year there has been new heaters installed in the Main Hall and new lighting and the kitchen has been updated. An application is being submitted to the Rural England Prosperity Fund for funding for solar panels.	
005/24	Report from Chair Lion Corner Community Shop Robert Davidson had been elected Chair this year and he thanked the previous members of the Management Team. There are now 60+ volunteers who work in the shop, but	

	<p>more footfall is required to ensure its future. Income is currently approximately £10000 per month, but after overheads the profit is £1500 per month. The Community Fund will be reopening for local community groups to apply for funding. The children from Year 6 at Langenhoe Primary School are currently undertaking work experience at the shop.</p>	
006/23	<p>Report from the Hideout Youth Club  Rachel Rosevear reported that the club was so successful that they now hold two separate sessions per month for Juniors and Seniors with a maximum of 30 children at each session. Funding had been secured from the Essex Community Fund which had enabled some taster sessions to be put on and local residents had offered their skills and services free of charge. The children are offered the opportunity to take part in many different activities and it is hoped to make more use of the outdoor area during the summer months. More helpers are always welcomed</p>	
007/23	<p>Report from Community Speedwatch  No report was received.</p>	
008/23	<p>Public questions  None</p>	

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.25pm