

# **RATTLEDEN ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

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**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on-line  
(via the Zoom video conferencing facility)  
on 13 April 2021 at 7.00pm in the absence of a public Annual Parish Meeting which  
could not be convened due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.**

**Present:** Parish Councillors: Cllr Kerry Burn (Chairman), Cllr Peter Brooke, Cllr David Goodlad Cllr Dan Jewers, Cllr Russell Morley and Cllr Julie Rayner;  
County and District Councillor: Cllr Penny Otton;  
One member of the public; and  
Parish Clerk: Mr Doug Reed (who took the minutes).

**2021/01 Welcome and Introductions**

Cllr Kerry Burn, Chairman of the Parish Council, welcomed attendees to the meeting and noted that both she and Cllr Otton would offer reports following which questions could be addressed to either.

**2021/02 Apologies for Absence**

Received from Parish Councillor Cllr Tony Edwards and Mrs Judy Angus.

**2021/03 Minutes of the Last Annual Parish Meeting**

It was resolved that the minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting, held on 30 April 2019, be approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

**2021/04 County and District Council**

Cllr Mrs Penny Otton provided a full and informative report on both Councils and on matters relevant to the village [written report held with the minutes]. There were no questions to Cllr Otton.

**2021/05 Parish Council**

Cllr Kerry Burn delivered a detailed account of the activities of the Parish Council in the past year [written report held with the minutes]. There were no questions addressed to Cllr Burn.

**2021/06 Rattlesden Open Forum**

On-going concerns about the removal of bus services from Rattlesden were reported. Both Cllr Otton and the Parish Council had pursued such concerns with the County Council but without success. Queries about the village website were raised. Cllr Burn confirmed that visitor statistics were kept and could be supplied upon request and that suggestions regarding content and extended use were always welcomed. Further to an issue related to waste collections Cllr Otton indicated that any problems could be addressed to her if not resolved by direct contact with Mid Suffolk District Council. Finally, a representative for the Village Hall offered a report on its situation over the last year which was appreciated by those in attendance [written report held with the minutes].

**The meeting closed at 7.30pm.**

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