

# MICKLEHAM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**Draft minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in the Ranmore Room on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 at 7:30pm**

**Councillors present:** David Ireland (DI - Chairman), Jane Brown (JB), Judy Kinloch (JK), Graham Clark (GC), Will Dennis (WD), Andrew MacNaughton, (AM), David Ottridge (DO)

**In attendance:** Trevor Haylett (Parish Council Clerk)

**Members of public in attendance:** Stuart Ansell, Jo Brown, Angela Ireland, Ben Tatham, Alison Wood (AW)

## 1) Formalities

(APM - 368) DI formally welcomed Stuart Ansell, the new Bursar at Box Hill School, to the meeting, along with Kevin Nash, Route Director of Prudential RideLondon.

(APM - 369) The Minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were agreed, proposed by JK and seconded by DO. They were then signed by DI.

(APM - 370) Apologies had been received from Sarah Parfitt.

## 2) Prudential Ride London

(APM – 371) Kevin Nash (KN) had been invited to address the meeting to give an update on the 2018 event and to discuss future plans. He said there would be no changes this year in terms of road closures or the cycle routes and that was a disappointment to those members of the public who were hoping to hear that alternative roads were being pursued. One resident said the event was called RideLondon, not RideSurrey, and after five years it should be switched to other areas around the capital. KN replied that the route was fixed until next year but was uncertain beyond that because the London & Surrey Cycling Partnership, which delivers the event, comes to the end of its contract in 2019.

WD's main concern was over the number of cyclists drawn to the area to practice between March and July and said RideLondon should be doing more to urge them to consider the effect they have on local people. DI said that a small minority of a large number of cyclists were giving the sport a bad name through their abusive behaviour and a lack of concern for residents and other road users. KN said he would take all the views, for and against, back to their discussion groups and ended on a hopeful note by saying there were indications that resources might be found to improve the cycle paths that run alongside the A24, thereby encouraging more cyclists to divert off the road.

DI thanked KN for his talk.

## 3) Annual Report for 2017-18

(APM - 372) DI presented his Annual Report, reviewing the past 12 months which had seen the Parish Council install two new litter bins with lids at the Recreation Ground and a new noticeboard in the centre of the village. In addition the bench at the top of the Recreation Ground had been replaced in favour of one given in memory of Kerry McCullough.

The 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Viscount Bennett – a Mickleham resident and the only Canadian Prime Minister not to be buried in Canada – was marked in the village with a Canada Day celebration. There were moves to develop the website, good news that the Village Shop had been sold while there are plans to improve the state of Swanworth Lane where potholes are making it a danger to vehicles and pedestrians. In addition, cameras are being installed on the A24 between the Burford Bridge and Givons Grove roundabouts in an effort to address the issue of speeding motorists.

The project to provide Superfast Broadband to all parts of Mickleham was one of the year's success stories and the working party had been thanked for all their hard work with presentations made to Kirsten Johnson and Mary Flint. The new playground area remains a popular feature of the village and the committee were thanked for their continued efforts.

DI concluded by reporting that the Mickleham and Westhumble Badminton Club had been formed with 40 members playing at the new Sports Centre at Box Hill School.

AW responded by thanking the Parish Council for the new litter bins.

4) **To consider other matters affecting the Parish** – No items were raised.

**The Meeting closed at 8:10pm**