Mendlesham Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in the Main Hall, Mendlesham on Tuesday 19 April 2022 at 7.30pm.

1. Present: Cllrs A Davey (Chairperson), P Allen, M Exley, D Foster, N Foster, B Gardiner, S Judd, D Lummis, H Orton, S Jones (Parish Clerk) SCC/MSDC Cllr Stringer and 38 members of the public.

Apologies: Cllrs D Nunn and E Ward. Apologies also received from Mendlesham WI and Mrs C Triscott.

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.To approve the minutes of the last parish meeting held on

20.4.21 noting that the meeting was held virtually due to the Covid Emergency.

Pages 522-523 inclusive were approved for accuracy, signed and dated by the Chairperson.

Organisation reports pages 524-533 are also appended to these minutes.

4. Reports:

a) Cllr Davey, Chairperson of Mendlesham Parish Council: See report as appended to these minutes, including Mendlesham Community Land Trust (CLT) as reported by Cllr Exley.

b) Reports from Mendlesham Organisations:

See reports as appended to these minutes for the following:

Cllr Stringer: Mid Suffolk District Council and Suffolk County Council reports. No questions asked.

Mendlesham Computer Club

Mendlesham WI

Mendlesham Community Charity (formerly Mendlesham Community Council). Thanks were also received from Mrs Triscott for Mrs Howard-Rees leading the changes for the charity.

4. Any other matter raised by a member of the public: none

5.Any other business: none.

After a short break for refreshments, the meeting resumed.

6. Mendlesham Parish Council Community Awards:

Community Awards were presented to:

Carolyn Triscot: For her role as Chairperson of Mendlesham Community Council and contribution to the community.

Eric Bauly: For winding up the Church Clock twice a week for over 51 years

Peter Freeman: For a scouting career of over 35 years and contribution to the community.

Jan Kelly: For her kindness and technical skills, not only in her professional role at Mendlesham Health Centre but also supporting the Community as a volunteer.

Mendlesham Walking Group: For providing mental well being and physical health activities for all and monitoring our Rights of Way.

Andrew's Angels: To anyone who during the Covid restrictions and lockdowns extended a helping hand to a fellow parishioner who was in need.

Mendlesham shop: Minesh Patel, his family and all of the team at Mendlesham Bakery who during the many lockdowns and the isolation of Covid 19, have literally kept our community going, and all of this with a smile and good cheer.

Queen Jubilee Torch Nominations:

It was noted that our Community Champions are:

Jean Abbott: What has Jean not been involved in? In particular her work for Mendlesham Community Council and St Mary's Church.

Pris Colchester: Parish Clerk, Secretary for Mendlesham Charities, School Governor over so many years. Supporting Roy and with their family providing a history of Mendlesham Parish. Support to the farming community.

Mike Favager: Mendlesham's First Responders, Secretary to Mendlesham Charities, Camera Club originator, Ex Parish Councillor and volunteer helping the community in many ways.