

Herongate and Ingrave Parish Council



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Minutes of the Herongate and Ingrave ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY held at St. Nicholas Church Hall, Ingrave, on Tuesday, 19th May 2015 at 7.00pm.

- In the Chair:** Cllr Alan Kingsford
- Present:** Cllr Alan Bayless, Cllr Martin Hannush, Cllr Paul Hawkins, Cllr Sheila Murphy and Cllr Stewart Theobald
- Officers:** Mrs. Theresa Grainger (Parish Clerk) and Mr. David Tooke-Kirby (Responsible Financial Officer)
- Members of the Public:** Ten members of the public together with Cllr Roger Hirst (Essex County Council) and the Guest Speakers, Adam Pipe, Casualty Reduction Manager, Casualty Reduction Section, Essex Police and Deborah Powis, Neighbourhood PCSO beat officer for Brentwood West, West Horndon, Herongate and Ingrave

1. Welcome from the Chairman

Cllr A. Kingsford, Chairman, gave a warm welcome to all attending and introduced the Guest Speakers. Unfortunately Emma Callaghan, Restorative Justice Development Manager for Essex Police was unable to attend.

2. Opportunity for the Public to speak

There were no comments from the Public.

3. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Neil Amor and Cllr Kelly Pegram. Apologies were accepted.

Proposed: Cllr A. Kingsford Seconded: Cllr S. Theobald All agreed

4. Guest Speakers

- **Adam Pipe**, Casualty Reduction Manager, Casualty Reduction Section, Essex Police distributed a PowerPoint flow sheet and highlighted the challenges faced by Essex Police and how they plan to overcome the reduction in manpower and share intelligence to give residents the best protection and outcomes. He gave a very interesting and informative presentation. Several residents posed questions and there was good debate. Regarding local speeding issues he advised that the Parish Council could purchase/hire portable speed monitoring equipment to enhance the SpeedWatch programme. Adam stated that the traffic survey along Billericay Road had been corrupted and he would be setting it up again. It was suggested that it

should run for a full week covering the weekend and be mindful that the following week would be half term for the schools and therefore less traffic on the roads. He agreed to all these points.

- **Deborah Powis (Debbie)**, Neighbourhood PCSO who has been on the Force for 9 years, gave a colourful insight to her duties and how her role has changed to incorporate a wider range of activities to those she was initially involved with. She and another colleague have to assist road traffic officers and she has undertaken robust training in working on motorways; also she is expected to patrol Brentwood High Street to deal with anti-social behavior issues. PCSO's are now regularly being used in crime investigations and she and her colleague were recently called to the home of an elderly resident where they kicked down the door to discover that the tenant was deceased. Debbie said that her job is constantly evolving but she now has shared transport to cover her area. There were questions from the public.

Cllr A. Kingsford thanked Adam and Debbie for taking time out of their busy day and giving such interesting presentations and the audience showed their appreciation with a round of applause.

5. Minutes of the Annual Assembly dated 27th May 2014

It was agreed that the Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly dated 27th May 2014 be accepted as a true record and signed by Cllr A. Kingsford.

Proposed: Cllr A. Bayless Seconded: Cllr P. Hawkins All agreed

6. Chairman's Report

Cllr A. Kingsford read his report which highlighted the achievements/projects of Herongate and Ingrave Parish Council and changes seen over the past year. A copy of the report can be viewed at the Parish Office and on the website.

7. Financial Report

The Financial Report 2014/2015, presented by Mr. D. Tooke-Kirby (RFO), can be viewed at the Parish Office and on the website. Mr. Tooke-Kirby also circulated a sheet of Financial Highlights for 2014/2015. All Members agreed that this was a true record of the finances for 2014/2015.

Proposed: Cllr S. Murphy Seconded: Cllr A. Bayless All agreed

8. Date of next meeting

The date of the next Annual Parish Assembly was not decided and will be circulated at a later date.

Cllr A. Kingsford thanked all those attending the Annual Parish Assembly and advised that the Annual Parish Council Meeting would follow.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm which was later than scheduled.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date: _____

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