

**BRANDESTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Annual Meeting of Brandeston Parish Council**

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*Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Brandeston Parish Council held on **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 20.00pm** in Meeting Room at Brandeston Village Hall.*

**Minutes**

**Present:** R. Summers (Chair), Cllrs P. Baker, P. Locke, M. Randell, J. Spacey (clerk), Elaine Bryce (SCC), Mary Ketley (BVH Committee), 14 members of the public.

- 1) The Parish Council Chair welcomed Parishioners to the Meeting.
- 2) Apologies for Absence received from Cllrs S. Williams (resigned), S. Bange (resigned) and B. Baker.
- 3) The Meeting approved the Minutes of meeting of 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022 as a true record and the Chair signed them.
- 4) Brandeston Parish Council Report for year 2022/23 was given by Cllr Summers (attached)
- 5) Finance report from RFO, Paul Baker, Summarised his Financial Report, confirming end of year balances, expenditure and reserves as well as the amount of Precept received – annual accounts and documents available on Village Website at [www.brandeston.net](http://www.brandeston.net)
- 6) Report from the Village Hall Committee – Chair Mary Ketley. Mary reported and summarised the events run by the village hall committee and contributions from members. Activities including Film Club, Luncheons and Coffee Churchill Arms.  
  
Mary advised that investigations are proceeding on installing solar panels (estimated cost £10,000+) and Grant provision. Defibrillator is currently proceeding with applications for Grant well advanced.
- 7) Suffolk County Council – Cllr Elaine Bryce reported on the situation regarding Highways repairs and that the current contractor Keir is reaching the end of its maintenance contract and will be replaced. She further advised that a contribution to the cost of solar panels (£2000) had been provided for Bredfield Parish
- 8) District Councillors – Cllr Vince Langdon-Harris newly elected Cllr for Framlingham ward introduced himself to the Meeting.
- 9) General discussions from the floor ensues with reinstatement of safety mirror at entrance to the Village Hall requested, ownership of the Village Hall and responsibility thereof and speeding in the Village.

The Meeting closed at 21.15.