 **CHIPPING NORTON TOWN COUNCIL**

 **ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

At the Annual Town Meeting held on 19th April 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Large Hall, the Town Hall, Chipping Norton, pursuant to notice the following persons were present: -

 Cllr. M. Tysoe, Town Mayor

 Cllr. R. Benfield

 Cllr. N. Bradley (arrived at 8.00 pm)

 Cllr. C. Butterworth

 Cllr. A. Corfield

 Cllr. D. Davidson

 Cllr. J. Graves

 Cllr. D. Heyes

 Cllr. M. Jarratt

 Cllr. S. Jordan

 Cllr. J. Kitcher-Jones

 Officer: The Town Clerk

There were twenty one members of the public in attendance.

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting.

204 The minutes of the meeting held on 19th April 2018 – were confirmed and signed at the

 meeting.

205 Apologies for absence

 Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr. R. Averill, Cllr. A. Villars and

 Cllr. E. Coles.

206 Annual Report

 The attendances of Councillors at Council meetings and the number of Committee meetings had been circulated prior to the meeting and were available at the meeting for everyone in attendance.

 The Mayor then gave his report of the past year’s activities.

207 Any Other Business

 Parking Wardens

 It was brought to the attention of the Town Council that WODC civil enforcement officers were not allowing the public time to off load items into the Town Hall and then parking up.

 The Town Clerk would contact WODC to address this issue.

 Town Mayor

 Cllr. A. Corfield thanked the Mayor for everything which had done for the Town Council over the last five years.

 Painting Town Railings

 The railings in the town centre hadn’t been painted last year due to not getting volunteers to undertake the job.

 Chipping Norton 2020

 A question was asked on the Vision of 2020 and how did Chipping Norton Town Council plan to take this forward?

 The plan was in a very embryonic stage. Some of the ideas had been looked at by traffic consultants. Plans would have to be drawn up and put out to public consultation.

 Link Road

 It was noted that when the Burford Road was closed for utility work to be undertaken the reduction of HGV’s was significant. Diversions were set way back to send HGV’s on other routes.

 Some people in attendance stated that the eastern link road would be a complete waste of money.

 The eastern link road route had not been defined yet.

 20 mph speed limit

 A member of the public asked, ‘How would the 20 mph speed limit be policed?’

 Vehicle in Middle Row

 It was reported that there had been a white van with two flat tyres parked in Middle Row for at least four months. This had been reported to DVLA and it had been noted that the MOT was due to run out in March. The Parking Officers at WODC had been notified of this situation.

 Town Councillors

 The Town Council was asked to raise awareness of elections for Town Councillors the following year and to try and encourage younger people to put themselves forward.

 Mr. P. Lake thanked Cllr. M. Tysoe for his five years’ service as Town Mayor.

 County Cllr. H. Biles thanked Cllr. M. Tysoe and all of the Town Councillors for all of their hard work which they put into the community.

 The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.