 **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.