

HALLING PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Parish Council held virtually via Zoom on Tuesday May 4th 2021 at 7pm.

The meeting was held under the provisions of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020. And Section 78 of the Coronavirus Act 2020.

Meeting commenced at 7pm.

053/21 Those present.

Everyone was welcomed to the Meeting, it was stated that the meeting was being recorded then a roll call.

Present was – Cllrs	G Wenham Chairman	Mrs S Chamberlain
	C Buckwell	G Chalker – Zoom Admin
	R Thorne	Mrs L Ali
	L Hitchcock	

Also in attendance N Fursdon – Acting Clerk / Proper Officer / RFO.

7 members of the public attended.

All Cllrs, Acting Clerk and the members of the public attended virtually via Zoom.

054/21 Apologies for absence – All Parish Councillors were present.

055/21 Elect Chairman for the following year 2021 - 2022

Cllr Mrs S Chamberlain proposed Cllr G Wenham as the Chairman of the Parish Council 2021 – 2022.

Cllr G Chalker seconded the proposal.

There were no more proposals.

Roll Call – Cllrs	L Hitchcock – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	C Buckwell – For	G Chalker – For
	R Thorne – Abstain	Mrs L Ali – For
	G Wenham – For	

Cllr G Wenham accepted – Therefore Cllr G Wenham is Chairman of the Parish Council 2021 – 2022.

056/21 Declaration of any Pecuniary and / or Prejudicial Interests – There were none disclosed by Cllrs.

057/21 Urgent items to be considered by reason of special circumstances – There were none disclosed by Cllrs.

058/21 Approve the Minutes of the previous Meeting held on April 23rd 2021

Cllr G Chalker proposed that the Minutes be approved pending 2 minor spelling mistakes at 36/21 & 37/21.

Cllr Mrs S Chamberlain seconded the proposal.

Roll Call – Cllrs	G Wenham – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	C Buckwell – For	G Chalker – For
	R Thorne – For	Mrs L Ali – For
	L Hitchcock – For	

059/21 Matters arising from the previous Minutes – There were none.

060/21 Elect Vice Chairman for the following year 2021 – 2022

Cllr G Chalker proposed Cllr L Hitchcock as the Vice Chairman of the Parish Council 2021 – 2022.
Cllr Mrs S Chamberlain seconded the proposal.
There were no more proposals.

Roll Call – Cllrs	G Wenham – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	C Buckwell – For	G Chalker – For
	R Thorne – Abstain	Mrs L Ali – For
	L Hitchcock – For	

Cllr L Hitchcock accepted – Therefore Cllr L Hitchcock is Vice Chairman of the Parish Council 2021 – 2022.

061/21 Following the resignation of Cllr Dolby, to agree his name be removed as Bank signatory/ on-line Banking and another Cllr be mandated to be approved for on-line Banking and approved signatory for cheques.

The Chairman proposed Cllr L Hitchcock be the third (3rd) signatory for the on-line banking and cheques.
Cllr G Chalker seconded the proposal.
There were no more proposals.

Roll Call – Cllrs	G Wenham – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	C Buckwell – For	G Chalker – For
	R Thorne – For	Mrs L Ali – For
	L Hitchcock – For	

Cllr L Hitchcock accepted – Therefore Cllr L Hitchcock is the third (3rd) bank signatory.

**062/21 Meeting Dates – July 2021 – September 2021 – November 2021 – January 2022 – March 2022
These dates and venues to be confirmed subject to any Covid – 19 restrictions in place.**

The dates are – Monday July 5th 2021, Monday September 6th 2021, Monday November 1st 2021
Monday January 10th 2022, Monday March 7th 2022.

063/21 To appoint member of committees and representatives to other bodies

**KALC, Rural Liaison, Finance Committee and the John May Charity to be confirmed tonight, other groups to be deferred to another meeting.
Other Committees will be formulated at the next meeting subject to the co-option of future members.**

KALC – The Chairman proposed that Cllr C Buckwell and Cllr G Chalker be the reps for KALC
Cllr Mrs S Chamberlain seconded the proposal.
Both Cllrs accepted.

Roll Call – Cllrs	G Wenham – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	C Buckwell – For	G Chalker – For
	R Thorne – For	Mrs L Ali – For
	L Hitchcock – For	

Rural Liaison – Cllr G Chalker proposed that Cllr G Wenham be the rep
Cllr Mrs S Chamberlain seconded the proposal.
Cllr G Wenham accepted.

Roll Call – Cllrs	G Wenham – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	C Buckwell – For	G Chalker – For
	R Thorne – For	Mrs L Ali – For
	L Hitchcock – For	

Finance Committee – The Chairman said that as a rule all Cllrs are on the Finance Committee.
Are members in agreement that this continues

Roll Call – Cllrs	G Wenham – For	Mrs S Chamberlain – For
	C Buckwell – For	G Chalker – For
	R Thorne – For	Mrs L Ali – For
	L Hitchcock – For	

John May Charity – The Chairman said that the John May Charity has been in existence since before the First World War.

It's a very local charity for Halling, Snodland and Birling.

Cllr G Chalker proposed that Cllr G Wenham be the rep

Cllr Mrs S Chamberlain seconded the proposal.

Cllr G Wenham accepted.

Roll Call – Cllrs

G Wenham – For

C Buckwell – For

R Thorne – For

L Hitchcock – For

Mrs S Chamberlain – For

G Chalker – For

Mrs L Ali – For

064/21 The Chairman thanked everyone for attending – End of Meeting – 9.10 pm (21.10)

Although there was no Other Business item on the Agenda, Cllr Thorne did bring up an item.

He asked how the Acting Clerk had allowed Halling Parish Council not to submit an Agar for 2019 / 2020

He said it was a shameful state of affairs, and it is a priority that action is taken

The Chairman said he would contact PKF Littlejohn to get advice on the way forward.