

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at Bealings Village Hall at 8.30.p.m. on Monday 30th March 1981.

Present were: Seven Members of the Council.
The Hon Mrs Bull as the Parish's Member on Suffolk County Council.
Mr. Macray as the Member of Suffolk Coastal District Council
Thirteen other Members of the Parish
A representative of the Press and P.C. Backhouse.

1. Mr Hamilton, as Chairman of the Parish Council, took the Chair and welcomed those present.
2. The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 31st March 1980 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
3. Matters Arising.
The Angela Cobbold Hall would be used for all election in the future and had been booked provisionally should the County Council elections on 7th May 1981 be contested.
No further information had been received regarding the Review of the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way.
Although Planning Applications had been received for the land belonging to Tollemache and Cobbold Breweries, no developments had been reported for The Admiral's Head itself.
Suffolk County Council had stated that as a result of a census taken on C.328 Martlesham to Rushmere Road, the volume of traffic did not justify the prohibition of vehicles over 3 tons except for access.
It had been ascertained that as the trees along the Playford Road had been felled before 1977, the owner, Mr Stennett, could not be compelled to replace them. Mrs Macray suggested that the trees should be replaced for environmental reasons – the Chairman agreed to pursue the matter further.
4. In his report, Mr Hamilton stated that the Council had had 8 routine Meetings and 3 extra Planning Meetings. Trees had been planted in Holly Lane and on the Bowls' Club verge. The Post Office had refused to move the Telephone Kiosk from the Station to a more central position, but a spring flooding the road opposite Bridge Cottage in The Street, had been diverted into the river.
The suggestion of a Village Sign had been approved in principle.
Financially, the balance at March 1981 was £16 more than at March 1980, after precepting for £300 – the same amount as the previous year.
It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that the report should be accepted.
5. The question of rail transport to Woodbridge was raised by Mr Walters. After discussion, it was agreed that he should form a Committee of interested parties and report any results to a future Parish Council Meeting.
Mrs Bull said that this was the last Parish Meeting that she would be attending as a County Councillor, as she would not be seeking re-election on 7th May 1981. On behalf of all those present, the Chairman voiced sincere appreciation for all Mrs Bull had done for the Parish in the past and hoped that she would enjoy her retirement.
A possible diversion of Footpath No 8 – the Grove to Martlesham – was suggested but Mr Macray stated that as the initial cost of statutory advertising was at least £200, there was no point in considering the matter.
The Chairman thanked the Members of the Parish who had attended the Meeting.

A Hamilton

Chairman. 17 May 1982.