

WEST MERSEA TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE TOWN'S MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 23 APRIL 2015

PRESENT: Councillors: Peter Clements (Mayor)
Wendy Bixby
Belinda Cross
John May
Alan Mogridge
Beverley Perkins
Eric Straughan
Noelle Urquhart
Sylvia Wargent

Town Clerk: David Tucker

In attendance: 4 members of public

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence.

2. MINUTES OF TOWN'S ANNUAL MEETING OF 24 APRIL 2014 AND MATTERS ARISING

PROPOSED BY Councillor Bixby, SECONDED by Councillor May, the MINUTES of the TOWN'S ANNUAL MEETING held on 24 APRIL 2014 be confirmed.
ALL IN FAVOUR.

Matters arising

Item 2: The advisory signs re control of dogs on the beach had not been erected by Colchester Borough Council.

Item 5: Essex County Council had allocated £10,000 for the erection of a tidal warning system on the Strood.

It was noted that the Town Council website went 'on line' today (23rd April).

3. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

The Mayor, Councillor Peter Clements, presented the Town Council's Annual Report, as set out in the Minute Book.

4. TOWN COUNCIL'S ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2013

The Clerk presented the Annual Accounts for the year end 31 March 2014, and gave a report on the accounts for 2014/15 (attached).

5. OBSERVATIONS FROM BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

Borough Councillor Peter Sheane reported that road maintenance (potholes etc) the upkeep of toilets, and the proper control of caravan sites had all suffered due to Colchester Borough Council and Essex County Council financial strategies, and it appeared neither organisation understood the problems this caused.

In response to a question from the public, Councillor Clements advised that 29 parking spaces would be provided for the new surgery. Access to the surgery was raised as a potential problem.

Mr D Cooper advised that school children were getting on buses from the caravan parks in East Mersea. Concern was expressed generally that the regulation re the use of the caravans were not being properly followed in all cases.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.