

DEREHAM TOWN COUNCIL

18th March 2025

At the Annual Parish Meeting held at Dereham Memorial Hall on **Tuesday 18th March 2025** at 7:30pm

Present:

Elected Representatives: Town Councillors: Mayor of Dereham L Monument (Chairman of the meeting), A Greenwood, P Duigan, S Green, R O'Callaghan and C Coleman.

Residents of Dereham in attendance: A Webb, P Cubitt, K Hawkins, C Hawkins, H Williams and K Green.

Also in attendance: Town Clerk T Needham and G Burrows.

The Mayor of Dereham, Councillor L Monument welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. To confirm as a correct record and sign the Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 19th March 2024.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 19th March 2024 were agreed and signed

2. To receive agenda items, relating to matters affecting the parish of Dereham, from people who are registered to vote in the civil parish of Dereham.

- a) To propose a resolution that – To encourage greater participation in future years by inviting attendance and contributions to the agenda at least a month before the meeting, both on the Town Council website, through its Facebook pages and by any other feasible means.

The proposal was put to the vote and agreed.

- b) Concerns were raised about the closure of Toftwood Surgery and how this was being done , also the affects this was having on its patients. It was requested that this be and item on the next Full Council agenda.

It was agreed this item would be put on the next Full Council agenda.

3. To receive agenda items, relating to matters affecting the parish of Dereham, from people who are not registered to vote in the civil parish of Dereham.

- a) To propose a resolution that – Dereham Town Council take over the car parks in Dereham currently owned by Breckland Council.

The matter was discussed and it was resolved to record a cautious agreement of the resolution.

b) Questions were asked regarding the Children's Centre on London Road.

The Town Clerk advised that he will be contacting the interested groups shortly.

4. To receive any presentations from local groups/organisations.

The following groups gave a short presentation of their work and achievements:

Aboutdereham
St Nicholas Church
Dereham Heritage Trust
Dereham Walkers are Welcome
Mens Shed
Dereham Community Litter Pickers
St Nicholas Bowls Club
Dereham Day

Chairman