

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting, held Thursday, 13th May, 2003 at
Rippingallve Village Hall, commencing 7.45p.m.**

Present:

Cllr M. Patrick, Chairman; Cllr E. MacMillan, Vice-Chairman, Cllrs Tony Johnson, Mary Morgan, John Bass, Barry Flatters & Phil Read, D. Cllr G. Taylor.

In attendance: Members of Lincs. Police (2), Members of the Press (1) & Members of the Public (8)

COUNCILLOR FRED HODSON, R.I.P.

All present observed a Minute's Silence as a mark of respect for Fred Hodson, former Councillor and Chairman.

LINCOLNSHIRE POLICE

P.C. Smith, Community Beat Officer advised a direct police contact number to report non-emergency police matters. He is assisted by two Community Support Officers who will attend the village when possible, and if requested to deal with specific matters, e.g. anti-social behaviour. They will also liase with the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators. Emergency police matters should be reported by dialling 999. P.C. Smith advised that Rippingale is one of 55 villages for which he is responsible, together with Bourne Town Centre.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.45p.m.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: received from Mr. D. Sankey.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REEPORT

The Chairman reported a successful and busy year for the Parish Councillors. Further play equipment has been supplied and Neighbourhood Watch and Hospital Car Schemes have been extended. Flooding problems in the village have been partly remedied, but monitoring is needed for the remainder of outstanding work to be completed. It is possible that kerbing to village entrances from A15 can be done by L.C.C.

The Parish Council is in a sound financial position.

Cllrs Betty MacMillan and Tony Johnson are to retire from the Council and both were thanked for their support. A presentation was made to Cllr MacMillan.

- 3. APPROVE MINUTES OF PARISH MEETING 8th May, 2003.**
Minutes of the above meeting, having been circulated and published on the Parish Notice Board were approved and signed. Proposed by M. Morgan, seconded by P. Read.
- 4. MATTERS ARISING – there were no matters arising.**
- 5. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – there were no questions from the Public.**

There being no further business, the Annual Parish Meeting closed at 7.50p.m.

**S.M. Scholes,
Clerk,
15th May, 2004.**