



## HOCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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### Minutes from the Annual Parish Assembly held at the Old Fire Station, 58 Southend Road, Hockley on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.00pm.

<b>Present:</b>	Chairman of the Parish Council:	Cllr. R. Martin
	Officers:	Kelly Holland, Parish Clerk Margaret Saunders, RFO Clare Austin, Administrative Assistant
	Members of the public:	Twenty Two

#### APM19/1 Welcome

The Chairman of the Parish Council welcomed those attending the meeting.

#### APM19/2 Presentation from Jon Fuller the Group Coordinator for South East Essex Friends of the Earth regarding climate change and its impact on the district.

The following information was provided:

- Climate change will have a drastic effect on future generations.
- The UK Government have strengthened their targets to cut greenhouse gasses by 80% by 2050.
- Sea levels are rising approximately 3.4mm per annum.
- The melting in Antarctica has tripled in the last 5 years.
- Information and statistics were provided in relation to extreme weather, sea level rise and agricultural damage.
- There is a need to build resilience into local communities with encouragement for allotments and home growing, tree planting and the need for biodiversity, rainwater harvesting and solar panels for new build housing.

#### APM19/3 Minutes

**RESOLVED** that the minutes from the Annual Parish Assembly held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman of the Parish Council.

#### APM19/4 Annual Report for 2018/19

The Annual Report was received for the municipal year 2018/19.

#### APM19/5 Public Questions

A member of the public requested an update on the toilets and library.

The Parish Council would take over the toilets once they had been refurbished by Rochford District Council and the lease was agreed. The draft lease had been

received however, some of the conditions had been changed; the Parish Council was liaising with the District Council regarding this.

There were concerns that Essex County Council had already made a decision in respect to the downgrading of the library; the consultation responses would be considered by the County Council shortly.

**APM19/6**      **Presentation of Grant**

A grant cheque of £5,000 was presented to the Hockley and Hawkwell Social Centre for the refurbishment of the day centre. Ian Foster, the Chairman and Carol Warren, Vice Chairman of the centre accepted the cheque with appreciation.

The meeting closed at 7.40pm

**Signed:**  
**Chairman**

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**Date:**

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