

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
CHAIR'S REPORT ON COUNCIL ACTIVITIES 2021-2022**

Activities;

The Parish Council met 4 times in 2021/22.

The main activities and issues are as follows;

- i) Street Cleaning Partnership; agreement was made with BDC to receive additional funds for litter picking, maintenance of the playing field, pond and other amenities in the village.
- ii) Planning Applications; several were received during this year, no objections were noted by the Council. The Council created a Planning Advisory Committee comprising three council members supported by the clerk.
- iii) Verge cutting; the parish clerk administered the contracts in accordance with the schedule as laid down by E.C.C. Highways Dept.
- iv) The contract for cutting the cemetery grass and the village hall grass continued to be fulfilled by a village resident with positive feedback received.
- v) The Council decided to join the Parish Paths Partnership Scheme.
- vi) The Council made a donation of £600 to the Belchamp Walter Parochial Church restricted to the fabric of the church.
- vii) The Council applied for and was awarded a Councillor's Community Grant of £350 which will go towards the cost of a new bench.
- viii) Ms Sara Perez resigned from the Council. The Council thanks her for her service
- ix) The Council thanks Mr Colin Doman for performing the independent review of the financial report

Financial Report;

i)	Balances	Community Account at 31 March 2022 was	£ 3364.55
		Reserve Account	£ 4061.10
		Total Net Balances at year end	£ 7,425.65

Included in the above is £ 122 for the Playing Field Restricted Fund

- ii) The budget for 2022/2023 was set to result in zero increase in the parish precept paid by each household.

In Conclusion;

Our thanks are due to our District Council representative Cllr. Ilona Parker and to our County Council representative Cllr. Peter Schwier for their support and attendances..

Signed
Councillor Jane Walker Chair

9th June 2022