



Buckland & Chipping Parish Council

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Minutes of BUCKLAND AND CHIPPING ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on Monday 10th May 2010 at St Andrew's Church, Buckland at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors: D. Hall, J. Kenyon (Chairman), Councillors Jeff Jones: Mrs M. Ling:
Mrs B. Little: John Noades
Also in attendance: Mr D Smith Parish Clerk and 5 Members of the Public

- 1.** To receive apologies for absence. Apologies were received from K Weston: J and D Bowen: G Kenyon and S Simmons.
- 2.** To approve as a true record and authorise The Chairman to sign the Minutes of The Annual Parish meeting held on 18th May 2009. Proposed by J Noades, seconded by D Hall. The Chairman then signed.
- 3.** To receive an overview of the Council year from the Chairman.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2010

It has been a very interesting year.

Parish Council held 6 meetings at which: planning applications were considered, issues related to Buckland & Chipping were discussed and resolved, items related to the Highways were debated and referred to H.C.C., local issues raised by parishioners were reviewed, and environmental matters were debated.

During the year the Council was involved in the issues arising from a shooting incident at Buckland Pond adjacent to the Common Land, and by obtaining grants, has provided 2 picnic benches at the Common and by Whiteley Lane. Very shortly the Parish Council will be instigating a Website for B & C, which will give parishioners and people outside the area the opportunity to see what the parish has to offer.

Two very successful Social events were held in the last 12 months. In July villagers organised a "Summer Festival" at and around St Andrew's Church. There was live music inside ranging from folk songs and jazz, to guitar and an organ recital, brass-rubbings, trips up the tower, book and plant stalls, BBQ and outside games for children. In October

villagers put on a Hallowe'en Night, with a BBQ, bonfire and Fireworks on the Common. Both events were very well supported and will be repeated this year.

I must thank my fellow Councillors both for their support during the year and for the standard of discussion during Meetings, not to mention the time they give to Parish items by attending other meetings and helping with events in the villages. Without doubt thanks are also due to David Smith, who took over in the Summer as our Parish Clerk from Jill Jones, who was a hard act to follow!!! David hit the ground running and has, I think, had a very interesting and productive first year, providing your Council with the back-up and support it needs. I believe the hub of the P.C. is communication, and here I must offer my thanks to Cllr Marion Ling for her unstinting efforts in producing 6 editions of our Parish newsletter, much admired by other parishes in the area.

Finally I must thank you, and the other residents not here tonight, for your continued support of, and interest in, your Parish Council, which makes our tasks that much easier.

- 4.** Suggestions for future village events. There were none.
- 5.** To consider questions from Members of the Electorate. There were none.

The meeting closed at 7.34