

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY OF SMANNELL PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON 12 MAY 2014 AT THE SMANNELL & ENHAM
CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL, SMANNELL**

Councillors Present: Cllr. Rod Bowker (Chairman), Cllr. Richard Budge, Cllr. Simon Jackson, Cllr. Cyril Loveridge, Cllr. Dini Thorne,

In attendance:

County Cllr. Tim Rolt

PM1 Apologies

Cllr. Tim Bilborough, Cllr. Nick Kinloch

PM2 Declarations of Interest

None recorded.

PM3 To Receive the Retiring Chairman's Report

The development of Augusta Park has continued with a further package of land within the parish now under review for detailed planning consent. The proposal is in line with outline planning agreement. Development of previously agreed areas both in our parish and Enham Alamein have continued with many more homes occupied. New areas have been planted with trees and areas planted in previous years are showing satisfactory growth.

Parking in Augusta Park has been the subject of a meeting between the parish council and Test Valley BC. The concerns are access to the Endeavour School and for through traffic on the new sections of Smannell Road. As a result the formal review process will commence this month and it is hoped will result in parking restrictions. Additional dog waste bins in Augusta Park are being provided by the parish council.

Speeding along Smannell Road has been subject to a radar survey which showed that on certain sections traffic was moving faster than desired. The question of what should be done to control vehicle speed is the subject of current parish business.

In 2013 there was a very successful summer fete for Little London Playing Fields with many stalls and a cake competition. Sam and Linn Jackson are to be congratulated on their work in organising the event. Grass cutting at the playing fields has not been satisfactory and a new contract with Enham Trust is being put in place. Maintenance work is subject to current review.

The Boundary Commission will be reviewing borough ward and parish boundaries with a timetable aimed at effecting change by the 2019 borough and parish elections. The review is needed as a result of large increase in population in Augusta Park.

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Little London has a new notice board as the old one was in very poor condition. The board does require some adjustment to make it easier to open and remain looking smart.

The council's financial position remains strong with precept income high due to the increasing number of homes in Augusta Park whilst expenditure in the Park is low as it is still under developer's care.

Fortunately the very wet weather over the winter resulted in very little flooding in the parish and none of it of any real inconvenience.

PM4 Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly of the Meeting of 13 May 2013

The Minutes were unanimously agreed and the Chairman signed them as a correct record.

PM5 To discuss the unaudited accounts for the financial year end 31 March 2013

The Chairman discussed the accounts and explained the increased precept representing that element of Augusta Park. The Chairman ran through the figures and highlights for the financial year.

PM6 To receive a report from Test Valley Borough Councillors and Hampshire County Council

This item was deferred until the Full Council meeting following the conclusion of this meeting.

PM7 Reports from Outside Bodies

This item was deferred until the Full Council meeting following the conclusion of this meeting.

PM8 Dates of Future Meetings

Members agreed that the current diary of meetings should remain unchanged.

PM9 Public Questions

None recorded

There being no further business to transact, the Chairman closed the meeting at 19.30 hours.