

**MADRESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE 123<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**  
**Held at ST Mary Church Madresfield on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

PRESENT:

Cllrs. Mr D Craig (Chairman), Mr C Eden, Mr C Freeman, Mrs J Greenwood, Rev S Irwin.  
Also Mr M Everitt (Footpath Warden) and Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

1. APOLOGIES:

County and District Cllr. Mr T Wells

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF LAST YEARS MEETING:

The Minutes of the 122<sup>nd</sup> Annual Parish Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. ANNUAL REPORTS:

i. Parish Council:

The Chairman thanked all the councillors and clerk for their work over the year. He was pleased to see the local police were now more involved with local traffic issues, particularly congestion near the school at 9am.

ii. Primary School:

Mrs Greenwood gave her first report since taking up the position of headteacher in September. She was creating links with the local community and Madresfield Court. The school had hosted a group of children from Chernoble for a day and had commenced many fundraising schemes. A new extension was planned for increased pupil numbers and the ever changing social demographic of the school was an ongoing challenge.

iii. Village Charities:

Cllr. Eden reported that the committee was due to meet next week and as usual the school were likely to be the main recipient for funds to help pupils attend outside events.

iv. Footpaths Warden:

Mr Everitt reported few problems. The schools liability for using the permissive path from the Club had been partly resolved by parents signing a disclaimer. He was to look at improving waymarking.

v. Tree Warden:

Cllr. Craig reported that 20% of trees in UK were found to be resistant to ash dieback, although there were no reported cases in Worcestershire. Larch die back was being contained in forestry areas in other parts of UK.

vi. Finance:

The Clerk presented the annual accounts which would be approved at the annual parish council meeting held later.

5. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

It was hoped that Rectory Lane would be resurfaced this year or next.  
The grassed area bordering North End Lane and University Wood was being used by parked cars but no action was deemed appropriate.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25 pm.