Parish Meeting May 2024

Good evening everyone and welcome to the 2024 parish meeting.

For those of you the don't know me, my name is Neil Read and I have lived in Ingrams Green since 1993, I joined the parish council six years ago and having done two years as VC.

A few headlines from the last 12 months.

- The play area at Common View has been added to with a new climbing frame, this design was chosen as can be added to in the future. We have also repurposed the old metal climbing dome and it has had willows planted round it and this will become a living willow play structure. We have also just installed an accessible roundabout with a soft surround, the next part of this bit of the play area will be to put in an accessible path to it, together with a gate off the pavement.
- Having established a very well received fete over the last couple of years the parish council were hoping to continue with this, however like a lot of larger and more complex events, we can only do this with assistance from others in the village having asked on a number of occasions there was no assistance from anyone outside the members of the council. As a result, the fete will not take place this year, we are hoping that this can be revived in the future as it was so well received.
- We are still looking to do a similar refurbishment to the Iping phone box to house and AED, the work on this should start this summer.
- With the assistance of Mr Drury we are planning to replace the oak tree on the Rec which was so sadly vandalised. We have also put in place a plan to move the firtree on the Rec and replace it with a more traditional tree.
- With a great deal of determination from Ziggy and other members of the PC the afternoon tea club has become a regular fixture, and we have had some very well attended functions and we hope this will continue.
- The newsletter is now become a very established part of the village and we have had great contributions from parishioners, so please keep sending your pieces and we can continue its development.

Next up will be Morag with a report on the previous year's finances.

At the end are there any questions and then thank everyone for coming.