Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting of Little Bealings Parish Council held at Bealings Village Hall on Monday, 5th April, 2004 @ 7.30 p.m.

<u>Present:</u> Mr. J. Ward, Mrs. J Cook, Miss D. Williams, MRS. F. Rogers, MRS. J. Shaw, Dr. C. Rowe, P.C. Bob Nice, Mr. S. Hudson (Sfk.County Cllr.) 1 parishioner – Mr. G. Ball

Apologies – Mr. K. Beaumont

Mr Ward, as Chairman of Council, took chair & welcomed those present.

MINUTES of Annual meeting on 7th April, 2003 were read, confirmed & signed.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:-

<u>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</u>: 14 Applications had been considered, most having been decided in accordance with Council's recommendations.

<u>FOOTPATHS:</u> Maintenance of footpaths continues to be dealt with under the Sfk CC Parish Parts Partnership (P.3).- the work being carried out by MR. George Ball. The strimmer used for the purpose became unrepairable & a new one had to be purchased, cost being met by County Council (P.3)

<u>PRECEPT</u>: As in previous yours was £2,000 which included £500 annual contribution to a special A/C reserved for Village Hall Capital expenditure. New curtains recently installed in the Hall were financed from this special A/C.

<u>C328 MARTLESHAM ROAD</u>: Sfk. C.C. Highways Dept. installed "RIPPLEPRINT" strips on this road in an effort to encourage drivers to reduce speed. The effectiveness is presently being monitored.

CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS: Discussion has taken place for improvement or relocation following notification from District Council that a small amount of money is available as a result of Planning Application fees. A joint committee from members of Great & Little Bealings Parish Councils & Village Hall Management Committee has been set up to consider possibilities. At present Gt Bealings P.C. is instituting a survey to determine level of demand for play areas in the two villages. Neither Parish Council, of course, actually owns the existing field, which is presently administered by Village Hall Man. Com.

<u>CLERK:</u> Regretfully Chairman had to report the imminent retirement of MRS SYLVIA CHENERY who had served the Council as Clerk for the past twelve years. Advertisements had been placed in local newsletters for a successor.

Finally, Chairman thanked Clerk and fellow Councillors for their hard work & assistance during past year.

Meeting unanimously agreed adoption of report.

<u>A.O.B.</u> MR. S. Hudson – Sfk County Cllr, apologised for not having his report ready, but did mention possible speed restrictions being enforced 100 yds either side of priority area near Clematis Cottage on Tuddenham/Gt. Bealings road.

Meeting closed, with Chairman thanking all those who had attended.

J.R. Ward