

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish meeting was held in the School Room, St Peter's Church, on Tuesday 22nd May 2012. This meeting is open to members of the public and this year all local groups had been asked to give a report on their activities during the previous year.

It was one of the first summer evenings of the year and The School Room was full of representatives from local organisations and members of the public. The meeting was opened on the dot of 7pm and everyone was welcomed by the Chairman, Mr Trevor Hopkins.

The Chairman gave a detailed report including a Financial Statement, traffic issues and Police matters, Mancetter Cemetery, Ridge Lane Community Association, Allotments in Ridge Lane, the environment, including footpaths, amenities, grants, Planning applications, future targets, Jubilee celebrations and a closing summary. The Chairman confirmed that the Parish Council element of the Council Tax has remained the same as the previous year.

The new clerk, Mrs Karen Meads who took up office in September 2011, was introduced, after which, she gave a more detailed report on the finances of the Parish Council for the previous 12 months.

Reports were then received from the following groups and organisations: Footpaths in the Parish, Mancetter Village Community Association and Mancetter Community Panel, Gramer Cottages Association, Mancetter Memorial Hall committee, Ridge Lane Allotments, Mancetter Scouts, Little Stars Nursery, Wathen Grange School, Quarry Liaison Group, Ridge Lane Youth Group, Mancetter Massive Youth Club, Mancetter WI, DeMulder Liaison Group and St Peters Church.

The meeting was then opened for "Any Other Parish Business" which included questions to Ashley Wynder (PCSO covering Mancetter).

Rev. Tony Tooby advised that the BOB Hub would be available from 13th July. This is the first step in helping members of community "get online"!

There was a small display of photographs of the new cremation area within the cemetery. Everyone involved in the creation of this new area was thanked for their hard work.

The Chairman then thanked everyone for attending the meeting, and stated how pleased he was to see so many active groups within the Parish and wished them every success for the coming year.