

PYECOMBE
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 16th May 2017
at Wayfield Park Farm Shop, Pyecombe at 7:00pm

Minutes

1. **Chairman's Annual Report.** The Chairman read out the Notice of the Annual Parish Meeting and gave the Annual Report (see attached). Council raised a vote of thanks to Peter Griffiths on his retirement after twelve years service as our West Sussex county Councillor and presented him with a small gift to mark the occasion. Mr Griffiths thanked Council for their support over the years and acknowledged the good rapport between the parties.

2. **Report by Paul Biochat – Senior Project Manager BT.** Mr Boichat gave an update to the meeting on the introduction of high speed Broadband to rural areas. By BT in conjunction with West Sussex County Council. This includes:
 - £20m roll out of fibre broadband infrastructure across 28,000 postcodes
 - Over 60,000 more homes and businesses can now access better, faster broadband
 - 47,000 can access 'superfast' broadband
 - 340 cabinets and 46 FTTP sites now 'live'
 - Take up so far 41% - national average 30%

Residents are able to check whether their postcode is due to be upgraded by using the postcode checker and exchange map at:

www.westsussex-betterconnected.org.uk

Send by emailing an enquiry to: Broadband@westsussex.gov.uk

3. As there were no other reports it was decided to commence with the AMPC.