

DARSHAM ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING

8TH MAY 2018

REPORT

About 40/50 residents attended and enjoyed refreshments provided by Budgens and councillors.

There were displays from EDF re proposed Sizewell C, Ladies of Leisure and their fund raising activities; the new village hall plans – these attracted much interest; the allotments and orchard;

Local history from Mr. Ron Reeve; TEAG display on the problems of the proposed Sizewell C development and its possible effect on the countryside; Westleton Glebe Meadow housing project; the parish council; DASH [astronomy]; EDF on Sizewell C and Keep Fit.

The parish council chairman, Robin Leggate, welcomed everyone and thanked all councillors and clerk for their work in the past year. The precept for the coming year is reduced by 3.5%. The litter pick was well supported by new and old villagers. Derek Reeve was thanked for his work on the excellent parish website. There will be a Village Lunch on 24th June to celebrate Suffolk Day and a Village Picnic is planned in the orchard.

Richard Smith [Suffolk County councillor] gave a brief report on county finances, traffic problems and potholes; the footpath from Yoxford to Darsham station had been trimmed back. RS spoke also of the huge environmental problems of Sizewell C; he thanked all councillors and the clerk for making him welcome.

The minutes of the Annual Village Meeting for 2017 were taken as read and approved.