

DEBENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Summary of meeting held 16 March 2009:

Saturday Morning Surgery – the next surgery will be held on 4 April, 10.30am - Noon at Dove Cottage. Please call in to discuss informally any local matters of concern, a small number of councillors will be available to offer any suggestions of help. Coffee available.

Annual Parish Meeting – parishioners are invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 27 April at 7.30pm at Dove Cottage. As well as the Annual Parish Council report, local groups and organisations will be invited to report on their activities over the last year and comments/suggestions from parishioners invited. We look forward to a well attended evening - **All Parishioners Welcome**

The Clean Britain Awards 2009 – Mid Suffolk has been placed in the top 7 cleanest Districts in Britain and also Awarded a Five Star Gold Grading (highest possible). We have been informed by MSDC that Debenham contributed to the Award as was one of the Parishes inspected unannounced by the assessors with the following comment: *A village with plenty of character, very pretty and clean. Worth a visit.*

Thanks were recorded to Mark Sillett and Andrew Hunt for keeping the village clean and tidy.

DLC Donation – some of the technicalities are still to be resolved but we are hopeful the parish council funding will be finalised by the end of the financial year.

Cubs - A request for funding was received from the 1st Debenham Cubs to help fund an adventurous summer camp for the 28 Debenham cubs. Members agreed to purchase one of the items needed for the camp, a new tent costing £350.

Debenham Welcome Pack – Members thanked Tony Hutt for his proposals for the Welcome Pack for new residents. The production costs would be small and Tony has offered to produce and organise the packs initially – a very useful reference pack for newcomers to the village.

Next meeting: Monday 20 April 2009, 7.30pm at Dove Cottage