HALTHAM PARISH MEETING

2 West Lane Haltham LN9 6JG 30th April 2020

Annual Parish Meeting – Annual Accounts- Election of Chairman – Covid 19.

Dear Residents,

We have been advised by LincoInshire Association of Local Councils (LALC) that the Annual Parish Meeting that we normally hold in the month of May is not to take place at present.

The meeting is therefore postponed until the Government relaxes the present restrictions gatherings, social distancing, self-isolation and shielding of those deemed to be the most vulnerable.

While Parish Councils are allowed to hold their meetings remotely, we as a Parish Meeting are not allowed to use that facility to hold our meetings. This is in line with:- L01-20 THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND POLICE AND CRIME PANELS (CORONAVIRUS) (FLEXIBILITY OF LOCAL AUTHORITY AND POLICE AND CRIME PANEL MEETINGS) (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2020.

This also means that the annual audit of our accounts cannot be agreed as these have to be presented to the Parish Meeting for approval by the meeting.

This subject is being discussed by Government at present in order to find a way forward in order for Parish Meetings to complete the publication of their yearly accounts.

I will inform you when the solution is published.

LALC have advised that our Vice Chairman Sean Matthews remains in post until such a time when we are able to hold our Parish Meeting, the first item on the agenda will be the election of Chairman for the Parish Meeting.

I do confirm that Sean has agreed to continue in the role of Vice Chairman.

Keep safe and keep well.

Kind Regards

John Huthwaite Clerk Haltham Parish Meeting.