

## The Annual Parish Meeting for Watton

The Annual Parish Meeting for Watton is a meeting of the local government electors, along with their elected representatives, for the civil parish of Watton. It is a meeting where matters relating to the parish of Watton can be raised and discussed.

The Parish Meeting is in itself a separate body to the Town Council although Town Councillors along with the District and County Councillors are often best placed to take any issue raised to the relevant authority. The Parish Meeting cannot compel any other authority to deal with a particular issue but it helps the elected representatives understand what issues are important.

At a normal Town Council meeting, there is limited opportunity for electors to speak and they don't have any automatic right to speak at a Council meeting, but at the Parish Meeting if you are registered to vote in the parish of Watton, you have a right to speak.

The Mayor of Watton will be the Chairman. The Chairman may exercise all the powers of the Chairman in relation to the conduct of the meeting. The Chairman's decision is final on any matter.

The Chairman has sole discretion regarding whether an item put forward for discussion relates sufficiently to Watton to be included on the agenda.

### **Written reports received for tonight's meeting from:**

- Watton Neighbourhood Plan Drainage Working Group
- Museum 4 Watton
- The Wayland Partnership Development Trust
- District Councillors Claire Bowes and Michael Wassell
- District Councillor Keith Gilbert
- Norfolk County Councillor Claire Bowes

### **Organisations which have received grants/donations from the Town Council in the financial year ending March 31<sup>st</sup> 2018:**

• Watton Carnival Committee	£1,000.00
• Breckland Harmony	£500.00
• Watton Twinning Association	£500.00
• Loch Neaton Committee	£500.00
• Watton Thursday Club	£500.00
• Citizens Advice Bureau Mid Norfolk	£500.00
• Watton Rotary	£250.00
• Watton Sports Centre	£7,000.00
• Stevens Almshouses Charity	£3,000.00
• Wayland Academy - Achievement Evening	£25.00
• Royal British Legion – Poppy Wreaths	£18.50