

# Little Hadham Annual Parish Assembly and Annual Parish Council meetings

## Annual Parish Assembly

The Annual Assembly is a meeting for all residents in the parish. The meeting is organised and paid for by the Parish Council but it is not a Council meeting. The meeting is usually held in the village hall and includes a number of speakers. The meeting must be held between 1<sup>st</sup> March and 1<sup>st</sup> June.

## Annual Parish Council Meeting

The Annual Council Meeting is held before the normal May Council meeting. At the Annual Meeting the Council Chair, Vice Chair and various Council officers are elected.

## Covid virus arrangements

The Council has held all its meetings online for over a year. Last year's Annual Assembly was cancelled as part of the original lock-down legislation. However, this legislation expires on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021 [see below] so the Parish Council has decided to hold the Annual Assembly, the Annual Council meeting and the Normal Council meeting **ONLINE** on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021. Anyone who wishes to attend one or all of the online meetings should contact the Clerk: [clerklittlehadham@gmail.com](mailto:clerklittlehadham@gmail.com)

### **Extract from a letter from Luke Hall MP (Minister of State for Regional Growth and Local Government)**

*The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 do not apply to meetings on or after 7 May 2021. Extending the regulations to meetings beyond May 7 would require primary legislation. The Government has considered the case for legislation very carefully, including the significant impact it would have on the Government's legislative programme which is already under severe pressure in these unprecedented times. We are also mindful of the excellent progress that has been made on our vaccination programme and the announcement of the Government's roadmap for lifting Covid-19 restrictions. Given this context, the Government has concluded that it is not possible to bring forward emergency legislation on this issue at this time.*