

MINUTES OF THE NEWBOTTLE AND CHARLTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY 7 MAY 2022 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, CHARLTON AT 10.30AM

PRESENT: Chairman, Councillor Michael Loggin; Councillors Linda Baker, Mark Bracy, Phil Marshall and Wayne Rule.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer) and ten members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Parish Councillors Struan Kenton and Kevin Ridge.

District Councillor Rosie Herring.

1. **MINUTES** - The minutes of the meeting held on 19 April 2021 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
2. **MATTERS ARISING** - There were no matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 19 April 2021.
3. **REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS** – There were no reports on from the County and District Councillors. However, District Councillor Rose Herring had attended the Parish Council meeting on 4 May 2022 and had provided a verbal update which the Chairman reiterated to the APM.
4. **OPEN FORUM** – The Chairman invited representatives from village organisations to provide a report on the work they had been undertaking in the village.

Lady Deborah Hayter reported that there were plans for a major refurbishment of the Memorial Hall. Currently everything was running smoothly at the Hall and an information stand had formed part of the 'Freshers' morning.

Della Wolfe reported that the Pantomime was going ahead during October 2002 half term and this year for the first time, tickets would be sold online. The target was to raise £3000.

Victoria Beadle gave an update on the playing field project. The Working Group had progressed a number of actions with support from Alice Townsend and her team. The Chairman thanked Alice for her support with the project. The car park had been upgraded and expanded to encourage people to park on site and not on the road. It was hoped the car park could be expanded further by removing some of the trees.

The overall project would cost approximately £257,000 and more people were needed to organise fundraising events and complete grant applications.

The Chairman thanked Brackley Athletic FC for the care they had taken whilst renting the playing this season and this arrangement would continue into next season. He was pleased to report that there would be a Charlton Mens team next season and it was hoped that funding from the FA could help with the pavilion project.

A number of village organisations had attended the 'Freshers' morning and there had been a good turnout from the community.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their reports.

5. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** – The Chairman of the Parish Council, Michael Loggin, reported on the work of the Parish Council during 2021/2022.

Councillor Loggin thanked the Councillors and the Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer, for their work over the last 12 months.

There was a discussion about the issues with large vehicles travelling through the village and the Clerk agreed to contact the County Council about this matter.

The Chairman also thanked Della Wolfe for all her hard work organising the 'Freshers' morning and it had been a great success.

The Chairman's full report was available on the Parish Council web site.

5. **PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2021/2022** - The Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer presented to the Annual Parish Meeting, the Parish Council accounts for 2021/2022. The figures had been subject to internal audit and gave an accurate picture of the activities of the year.

It was noted by the meeting that the Parish Council gave an annual donation to the Memorial Hall of £350 to cover the cost of the grass cutting.

The accounts had been made available on the Parish Council web site.

The Chairman then thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

(The meeting closed at 11.25am)