Notes of the Newbottle Parish Council Meeting – Monday 16 January 2023 at the Memorial Hall, Charlton

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Present – Parish Councillors Michael Loggin (Chairman), Linda Baker and Wayne Rule and Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer).

Co-option - Matthew Walsh was co-opted onto the Parish Council.

Road Safety – Radd Seiger attended the meeting and provided an informative update on the road safety project which was being undertaken by the Department for Transport. This related to the number of accidents in the vicinity of RAF bases in the UK, recommending new safety measures to address the issue. The Clerk would be requesting a copy of the draft report. In addition, for security reasons, the airbase was seeking permission for a new entrance, however there was no mention in the application of the road safety issues surrounding the current entrance and the Parish Council would like this to be addressed by the Highways department.

Playing Field and Pavilion – Work had been completed on the new perimeter footpath and the Parish Council thanked all the volunteers who have been involved with the project at the playing field.

Community Bus Service – A community bus service was being run from the village to Brackley, Northampton, Banbury and Towcester. For more information, please call 'Ability' on 01327 604123.

Flagpole – Investigations would continue into a flagpole for the village and it would be discussed further at the next meeting.

Street Lighting – Discussions were ongoing with Eon with regard to the roll out of the new street lights and due to a change of personnel at Eon, the project had been delayed.

If any street lights are not working, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council with the lamp number/location and this information will be forwarded to Eon. Please bear in mind that the street lighting contract is between the Parish Council and Eon, so if residents contact Eon directly, they may not get a response.

Fly Tipping – If residents are aware of any fly tipping, please report this to West Northamptonshire Council. https://www.southnorthants.gov.uk/report or call 0300 126 7000. They will collect the rubbish and also gather evidence, which will then help them prosecute the offenders.

Parking Issues – The Parish Council kindly requests that drivers do not park their vehicles on the footpaths in the village. Parking on footpaths means that pedestrians and especially those with pushchairs or wheelchairs have to move into the road to get past the vehicle. This is clearly very dangerous and residents should not be putting other residents in this dangerous position, especially when everyone is so aware of the speeding issues through the village. **Please park considerately in the village.**

Dog Waste Bin – The dog waste bin on the Cemetery footpath would be replaced as it was starting to rust and rot away.

Grass Cutting - The grass cutting contract for 2023/2024 was awarded to Mick Dempsey.

Internal Auditor – Auditing Solutions Ltd were appointed as the Internal Auditor for 2023/2024.

Precept 2023/2024 – The precept for 2023/2024 was increased by £500, to £14,000.

Grants – The following grants were approved for 2023/2024: PCC for Cemetery maintenance £650.00 and £200 for The Link.

Planning – The Parish Council had no objections to the following application:

WNS/2022/2329/FUL

4 Cartwright Road Charlton

A rear extension to the dwelling and replacement of a flat roof at the rear with a pitched roof to match the original roof. Conversion and extension of the garage to create habitable accommodation, for use by family members and with short term holiday letting use.

The following planning applications had been determined by South Northamptonshire Council's Planning Committee/Planning Officers, since the last meeting of the Parish Council: None

Planning applications can be viewed on the South Northants Council web site. https://snc.planning-register.co.uk/planappsrch.aspx

Meeting Dates - Future meetings, all starting at 7.30pm would be held at the Memorial Hall, Main Street, Charlton.

- 20 March 2023
- 17 April 2023 (Annual Parish Meeting)
- 15 May 2023
- 17 July 2023
- 18 September 2023
- 20 November 2023

All welcome to attend!

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