

MINUTES OF THE NEWBOTTLE AND CHARLTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17 APRIL 2023 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, CHARLTON AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: Chairman, Councillor Michael Loggin; Councillors Linda Baker, Kevin Ridge, Wayne Rule and Matthew Walsh.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer), District Councillors Rebecca Breese and Rosie Herring and two members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Parish Councillor Struan Kenton.

1. **MINUTES** - The minutes of the meeting held on 7 May 2022 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 7 May 2022.
3. **REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS** – Prior to the meeting, a report from the District Councillors had been circulated to the Parish Council and the meeting.

District Councillor Rosie Herring highlighted the Integrated Care System and one of her main priorities had been to address the lack of support which was available for young people with mental health issues. There was also a discussion about traffic issues in Charlton and the number of accidents on rural roads. WNC also had a new app which provided lots of information for residents, as well as the ability to report issues to WNC, such as potholes and comment on consultations.

Councillor Rebecca Breese also highlighted issues relating to planning matters in the village and the surrounding area.

District Councillors Rebecca Breese and Rosie Herring were thanked for their reports.

4. **OPEN FORUM** – The Chairman invited representatives from village organisations to provide a report on the work they had been undertaking in the village.

There were reports from the Memorial Hall Management Committee, Pre-School, Playing Field Association, Charlton Panto Players and Northants Police. The reports were available on the Parish Council web site.

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 2022/2023.

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

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

5. **PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2022/2023** - The Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer presented to the Annual Parish Meeting, the Parish Council accounts for 2022/2023. 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 were available on the Parish Council web site.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

(The meeting closed at 8.50pm)

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