

NEWBOTTLE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, CHARLTON ON MONDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Theresa Goss, Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer and two members of the public.

29/23 Apologies – Councillors Mark Bracey and Wayne Rule submitted their apologies because they were both on holiday.

Resolved that the apologies from Councillors Mark Bracey and Wayne Rule be accepted and the absence be authorised.

30/23 Declaration of Interests – There were no declarations of interest.

31/23 Minutes - The minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2023 were taken as read, duly adopted and signed by the Chairman.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 17 July 2023 be approved and signed by the Chairman.

32/23 Matters Arising from the Minutes of 17 July 2023 – There were no matters arising.

33/23 Open Forum – The residents in attendance wished to discuss the speeding issues on Farthinghoe Road and the impact on the village, therefore this item was brought forward on the agenda.

34/23 20mph Speed Restrictions in Charlton – The Parish Council discussed a proposal for 20mph speed restrictions in the village and the residents in attendance shared their concerns about the volume and speed of vehicles on Farthinghoe Road.

There was a discussion about possible traffic calming measures and it was agreed that a meeting with West Northants Council be arranged for advice on the matter.

Resolved that a meeting be arranged with Helen Howard from Highways at West Northants Council to discuss this matter further. **Action TG**

(For information, following guidance from the National Association of Local Councils, the Parish Council did not specifically name individual residents within its minutes, unless they were speaking in an official capacity)

35/23 Reports from County and District Councillors – There were no reports from the County and District Councillors.

36/23 Village Matters

i) Playing Field Association (PFA) – The Chairman reported that the fundraising cricket match had been a success and investigations were being made into appointing a consultant to assist with writing the grant applications.

Councillor Bolton would make contact the contractors who would be completing the work to lower the height of the hedge to increase visibility of the playing field at the entrance to the village.

Resolved that the report be noted.

ii) Myers Close Play Area – Councillor Bolton had volunteered to progress this project and would provide an update at the next meeting.

Resolved that the report be noted.

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- iii) Asset of Community Value – The Chairman reported that Richard Bland had volunteered to progress this project, but the current tenants and the company who owned the building, were still to be consulted.

Resolved that the report be noted.

37/23 Parish Council Matters

- i) Training – The Chairman reminded Councillors about the Parish Council's training policy and the need to undertake training courses.
<https://www.newbottleparishcouncil.co.uk/securedocs/NPC%20Training%20Policy.pdf>

Resolved that the report be noted.

38/23 Planning

- i) **Resolved** that, it be noted that, since the last meeting, the Parish Council had considered the following planning applications and works to trees, which had been submitted to South Northamptonshire Council:

2023/6046/LBC

Holly House Drury Lane Charlton

Listed Building Consent for removal and replacement of 5 no existing timber sash windows to the garden facade.

No objections

2023/5744/FULL

21 Cartwright Road, Charlton

Extension to side and rear of existing, new driveway and associated landscaping works

No objections

2023/6452/FULL

Memorial Hall, Main Street, Charlton

Erection of a flagpole

Support

- ii) **Resolved** that, it be noted that, since the last meeting, the following planning application had been determined by South Northamptonshire Council's Planning Committee/Planning Officers:

2023/5586/FULL

The Green Brackley Road Newbottle Charlton

Removal of existing workshop and proposed detached annexe, external works and installation of water treatment plant

Approved

39/23 Finance

- i) Parish Council Income, Uncashed Payments and Receipts and Approval of Accounts for Payment - The Clerk submitted to the Parish Council, the income since the last meeting, the uncashed payments and receipts and the accounts to be paid.

Resolved that the income and uncashed payments and receipts be noted and accounts be approved for payment, as detailed in appendix 1 to the Minutes.

- ii) Bank Reconciliation - Prior to the meeting, the Clerk had circulated the bank reconciliations as at 18 September 2023 for the Unity Trust bank accounts.

Resolved that the bank reconciliation for the Unity Trust bank accounts be noted.

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- iii) Budgeting Monitoring 2023/2024 – The Parish Council considered a budget monitoring report from April 2022 to September 2023.

Resolved that the report be noted.

40/23 Correspondence – There was no further correspondence.

41/23 Meeting Dates - The Parish Council noted the following meeting dates, all commencing at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall, Charlton.

- Monday 20 November 2023

42/23 Items for Future Meetings

- Charlton Welcome Newsletter

(The meeting closed at 8.30pm)

Signed, Chairman – 20 November 2023