Notes of the Newbottle Parish Council Meeting – Monday 18 July 2022 at the Memorial Hall, Charlton www.newbottleparishcouncil.co.uk

Present – Parish Councillors Linda Baker, Mark Bracey, Struan Kenton and Kevin Ridge. Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer) and three members of the public.

Vacancy – Following the resignation of Phil Marshall, there is a vacancy on the Parish Council. If anyone is interested in joining, please contact the Clerk. newbottleparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk or 01295 710965.

The Parish Council expressed its thanks to Phil for all his work during his time as a Councillor.

Playing Field and Pavilion – The Parish Council received a report on the progress with the project and it had currently stalled because changes were required to the Lease, between the Parish Council and the Trust, to enable grant funding to be accessed.

This matter would be chased up with Spratt Endicott and it was also agreed that the Parish Council would meet the legal costs for the changes to the Lease, match fund £3000 for the works to the perimeter footpath around the playing field and support the current Working Group to become the Playing Field Association (PFA), which would operate as a Sub-Committee of the Parish Council.

Post Office and Village Shop – At the current time, the shop and Post Office would remain closed as a solution had not been found to enable a re-opening.

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.

Library Bus Shelter – The Library in the Green Lane Bus Shelter is continuing. Thank you to Jenny Barker for organising this.

Flagpole – Investigations would be made into a flag pole for the village and it would be discussed further at the next meeting.

Street Lighting – A quote from Eon was accepted for replacing the current street lights with LED lights. These changes were required because the bulbs which were used in the street lights had now become obsolete.

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.**

Grants – Annual grants had been made to the following organisations:

- £650 to the PCC for the maintenance of the Cemetery;
- £150 to The Link

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

WNS/2022/1083/FUL

13 Farthinghoe Road Charlton

Single storey extension to rear. Hip to gable extension. Rear first floor dormer to accommodate loft conversion

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.

- 19 September 2022
- 21 November 2022

All welcome to attend!

A copy of the draft minutes for the whole meeting are available at www.newbottleparishcouncil.co.uk or please contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, at newbottleparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk or ring 01295 710965 during normal office hours

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