Notes of the Newbottle Parish Council Meeting – Monday 20 March 2023 at the Memorial Hall, Charlton www.newbottleparishcouncil.co.uk

Present – Parish Councillors Michael Loggin (Chairman), Linda Baker, Mark Bracey, Kevin Ridge, Wayne Rule and Matthew Walsh and Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer).

Annual Parish Meeting (APM) 2023 – The APM is being held on Monday 17 April 2023 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall and all residents are invited to attend to find out what the Parish Council has been working on for the last 12 months. Village organisations are also invited to attend and report on their work too.

Flagpole – The Memorial Hall Committee has kindly given the Parish Council permission to erect a flagpole in the car park of their grounds. It is hoped it can be installed in time for the Coronation on 6 May 2023.

Playing Field and Pavilion – A container, up to the value of £2000, will be purchased by the Parish Council for additional storage on the site. Concerns about matchday parking were raised and contact will be made with Brackley Athletic FC to discuss these further.

'No Mow May' – The Parish Council has agreed to take part in this initiative, which will mean none of the grass verges in the village will be cut during May. The benefits of not cutting the grass are to encourage and support biodiversity and wildlife.

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.

Defibrillator Training – A defibrillator training session is being arranged for a Saturday morning in June. The session will last about 2 hours and there are 12 places available. If any residents are interested in attending, please email the Clerk after 1 April 2023. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis and names will not be added to the list until after 1 April 2023.

Defibrillator Cabinet – Investigations will be made into purchasing a cabinet to house the defib at the Playing Field to enable it to be accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Street Lighting – 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.

Parking Issues – The Parish Council kindly requests that drivers do not park their vehicles on the footpaths in the village or at junctions.

Parking at a junction means that visibility is reduced for drivers turning in and out and forces them to drive on the wrong side of the road without knowing if there is on-coming traffic, which is clearly dangerous.

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 also 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 replacement dog waste bin on the Cemetery footpath will be fitted shortly.

The Coronation of HM King Charles III – The Parish Council will make a contribution of £200 towards the cost of the bouncy castle hire for the Coronation event which is being planned in the village.

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

WNS/2023/0288/FUL – Colready Farm, Farthinghoe Road, Charlton Erection of a cattle shed.

The following planning application has been approved by West Northamptonshire Council's Planning Committee/Planning Officers, since the last meeting of the Parish Council:

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.

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

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.

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

- 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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