Cheriton Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 11th April 2023, 7.00pm

Residents were warmly invited to come to Cheriton village Hall on Tuesday 11th April at 7.00pm onwards to meet their Cheriton Parish Councillors in a convivial atmosphere and learn how the Parish Council contributes to the local community.

On arrival there were displays from Working groups including Conservation Volunteers, Traffic, Matterley Estate, Archives and Planning and Village Hall Refurbishment plans. Councillors were on hand to answer any questions.

1. Those present: Cllrs Collett (Chair), Scallan (Vice Chair), Herdman, Frampton, Smith, Curwen Bryant and Cheyney. WCC Cllrs Bolton and Lumby. Members of the public: 27 members of the public
   Apologies received: Cllr Humby

2. Approval of Minutes from the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 26th April 2022 took place. Proposed by Cllr D Smith, Seconded by Cllr B Frampton. All in favour.

3. Chairman's address

   Cllr Collett outlined the main responsibilities of the Parish Council and the activities that had been carried out by them over the last year such as organizing and paying for the Jubilee celebrations (Thanks to Cllr Sue Herdman and Ros Curwen Bryant), lobbying Hampshire to get better traffic conditions through the village, organizing replacement of the Wooden Bridge as well as the usual tasks of maintenance of the green, play area etc.

4. Parish Council Finances

   Parish Council accounts are in a sound state with a few areas of underspend. The increase in the Parish Council element of Councill Tax was limited to 3%, this equates to less than £3 for the year.

   Accounts for Year 2022-23 will be published on line after the Internal Audit in June and the public will then be invited to comment on the accounts for a period of 30 working days. After this period the accounts will be externally audited.

5. Winchester City Councillor Hugh Lumby and Cllr Sue Herdman, representing the Cheriton Traffic Working Committee did a presentation on the Traffic issues they will be tackling over the coming year namely, the 20's Plenty campaign and traffic management in the village. There followed a question-and-answer session by members of the public.

6. Will Beardmore Gray, Chairman of the Village Hall Committee did a presentation on the proposed refurbishment plans for the Village Hall. Questions were taken.

Cllr Collett thanked all Councillors for their work on this presentation and for all members of the public for attending.

Everyone was reminded that Council information including Councillor contact details, can be found on the Cheriton Parish Council website, the Facebook page, noticeboards and the village what's app group.

Cllr Collett then closed the meeting