

# *Harbottle Parish Council*

## **Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025** **at The Star Inn**

Present: Cllrs. S. Bolam, S. Kenny (Chairman), J. Ormston, A. Stripp, S. Wardlaw

1. Apologies for Absence: None
2. Declarations of Interest: None
3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025 were approved.
4. Matters Arising: Planning
  - (i) Harbottle School: It was noted that a £100 donation to support Friends of Harbottle School had been agreed
  - (ii) Application 24NP0107: Bushcraft Business at Holystone. It was reported that this had been approved by the National Park with very strict conditions.
  - (iii) Tree Plaques: It was reported that one had been ordered for approval but was not yet to hand.
5. Finance
  - (i) Balances of £3,563.33 in the General Fund and £851.88 in the Emergency Support Fund were noted.
  - (ii) Budget for the year 2025-6 was noted
6. Village Hall Boundary:

The current owners of Windley have claimed that the site adjoining the village hall property housing the bottle bank and storage shed is in fact in their ownership and recorded in the Land Registry. AS outlined the history of that piece of land in that it had been “given” to the Village Hall by previous owners of Windley to allow outside art work associated with the art classes then held in the Hall. The Hall Committee maintain the boundary wall. In the absence of any formal paperwork to confirm this transaction, it was agreed that AS would put this in writing for the Village Hall Committee to hold for future reference.

7. 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day

An enquiry had been received as to whether the Parish Council were proposing to hold a formal celebration for the anniversary of VE Day. As there was a community party planned for 21<sup>st</sup> June, it was agreed that this would be suitable to commemorate the anniversary.

8. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May, together with AGM

Chairman