

Harbottle Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 6th March 2023 **At The Star Inn**

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

1. Apologies: None

2. Declarations of Interest: None

3. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st February 2023 were approved.

4. Matters arising: None

5. Finance:

(i) Budget to date was noted and budget for 2023-4 approved.

(ii) Payment towards the electricity costs of running the defibrillators was discussed and £20 each to Julian Philipson and The Star were approved.

(iii) A balance of £16,183.88 was noted

6. Emergency Provision

Notes of the meetings with Alwinton Parish Council were received and that Alwinton were applying for a grant from Northern Powergrid with the intention of purchasing a generator for Alwinton. Purchase of a generator for Harbottle was approved, SK to obtain final costs. Consideration was given to the purchase of a heavy duty tent.

7 Coronation

Three standard oaks to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III had arrived, funded from the residue of the fund from the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. Planting, one in each village, to be undertaken with the support of the community.

A community tea with childrens' games to celebrate the coronation was agreed to be held on Monday 8th May, together with Alwinton and Netherton Parish Councils, either on Park House haugh, or if wet in Netherton Village Hall. Pooled tea with hot and cold drinks provided by the parish councils.

Grant from NCC had been applied for and a meeting with Alwinton and Netherton to be held before the end of March.

8. Any Other Business

SB reported on support for the extension to the Herdlaw emergency services communication mast, to allow provision for commercial mobile telephone operation.

Councillors noted that two electric car charging points were being installed in Harbottle outside the school. The Council had requested these. However, possible parking issues were acknowledged, especially if there was further development in the village, and it was agreed to monitor the situation for future discussion with NCC Highways. Obstruction issues to be reported to the Community Police Officer.

9. Date of Next Meeting: Monday 17th April