**DINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Draft Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Dinton Parish Council held on Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 19.00 at The Village Hall**

**Members present**

S.Telling (Chair), R. Begg, R. Whiteside and M. Glover (also clerk)

and Wiltshire Cllr. Bridget Wayman

Cllr Wayman gave an update on the issue of the daffodils cut down by contractors. Highways would not grant a licence for village maintenance due to visibility issues.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

None

**2. Election of Chair**

Cllr. Telling was elected and signed the Acceptance of Office declaration.

**3. Election of Vice Chair**

Cllr. Whiteside was elected Vice Chair.

**4. Cllrs. declaration of interests**

None

**5. Minutes**.

The minutes of the meeting of 18th April and Annual Parish Meeting of 16th May 2023 were signed as a true record.

**6. Update on outstanding items**

The new criteria for the installation of a SID in Catherine Ford Rd cannot be met. A new metro count will be requested. The new SID opposite the pub will be delayed until a new pole is installed.

**7**. **Finance**

Payment for all grass cutting invoices for the Rec authorised as they become due (£649.99).

The following payments were authorised: New SIDS £5375.98, Jubilee clips for SIDS £64.51 Pre- approved Grants to Dinton (£900) and Baverstock (£360) Churches and DRGT (£1068)

A Sec.137 grant to the organiser of the Coronation Lunch of £22.33 was agreed on production of the original invoice.

The new SIDS had been added to the insurance schedule and one bus shelter removed. Payment of the annual insurance premium of £486.77 with a 3 year Long Term Agreement (LTA) was agreed.

The monthly reconciliation from the previous meeting was signed as agreed.

**8. Bus shelter at Crossroads**

**It was agreed not to remove the seating at this time but to continue to have the police monitor the use for drug taking and dealing. The recent spate of vandalism to the building was costed at £450.00**

**Correspondence will be sent to the Head teacher at Dinton School expressing our concern regarding safeguarding issues of pupils with the attempts to sell drugs to minors.**

**9. Planning**

It was agreed to reply ‘Support with conditions’ regarding roof lights to be removed for planning application PL/2023/03892

Meeting closed 20.05

**Next meeting**

Parish Council meeting at 19.00 hours on 19th June 2023 at the Village Hall