**DINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Draft Minutes of the Meeting of Dinton Parish Council held on Tuesday 21st November 2023 at 19.00 at The Village Hall**

**Chair’s welcome and public comments**

The Chair opened the meeting at 7pm.

County Councillor Bridget Wayman gave a brief resume of current items on her delayed arrival mainly about an additional government grant of £2.6m to WC for road repairs.

**Members present**

S.Telling (chair) R. Begg, R. Whiteside and M. Glover (also acting unremunerated clerk)

Plus one member of the public and our county councillor as above.

**1. Apologies for Absence**

P. Styan (unwell) reason accepted. County Cllr. B Wayman (delayed at another PC meeting)

**2. Councillors Declarations of Interest.**

None.

**3. Signature of previous minutes**.

Minutes of the meeting of 17th October 2023 were signed.

**4. Planning**

It was agreed to support planning application PL/2023/09448 with one proviso regarding the removal of the roof lights being contrary to the Dark Skies policy for the Cranborne Chase AONB.

**5**. **Overgrown Hedges**

It was agreed that letters to notify the owner to cut back vegetation would be sent to all householders whose hedges encroached onto highway property.

**6. Finance**

 (ii) It was agreed to finance the purchase of a Christmas Tree at the Rec. at a cost of £110.50

 (iii) It was agreed to grant Dinton Church £900 and Baverstock Church £360 from CIL funds for maintenance costs for their churchyards.

 (iv) It was agreed to contribute towards the carol singers refreshments.

(v) & (vi) It was agreed to fund £1787.00 for running costs for 2024 and £599 for a new basketball hoop for the DRGT from CIL funds.

(vii) It was agreed to set a budget for 2024/5 of £17,000.00

(viii) It was authorised for the clerk to pay the final cost of £17 cost of recharging batteries for a SID.

**7. Meeting Time**

It was agreed not to change the meeting time until the noise effect of the proposed exercise class in the main hall had been experienced.

**8. Next Meeting** 19thDecember 2023 at 19.00 @ the Village Hall.

Meeting closed 20.12