

CHAPEL AND HILL CHORLTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on Wednesday 10 May 2023, commencing at 7.30pm in the Function Room, Slaters Country Hotel, Stone Road, Hill Chorlton

PRESENT

Parish Councillors: Tom Davey, Mark Humphries, Richard Oppenheimer (Chairman)

PARISHIONERS

No parishioners were present at the meeting.

APOLOGIES

Councillor Richard Montague; Borough Councillor Amy Bryan

MINUTES

Minutes of the last Annual Parish Meeting were signed as a true record.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Councillor Richard Oppenheimer gave a report as annexed to these minutes.

A BRIEF FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2022-2023

Total income received this financial year was £7256.66

Total expenditure was £5798.76.

ATTENDANCE RECORD OF COUNCILLORS

The attendance record was presented and is appended to these minutes.

The meeting closed at 7.44pm.

Signed

Date

Chairman's Annual Report on the Parish Council

The present Council took office in May 2022 following an uncontested election. There are vacancies for two councillors. The Council held 9 meetings during the year.

Highways

In response to local concerns, the Parish Council installed a SID on the pole at Maerfield Gate in October 2022. The Council is grateful to Slaters for a contribution towards the cost of the SID.

The locations for village signs on the A51 for Hill Chorlton and Stableford were agreed with SCC Highways. New signs were purchased for both settlements and were installed in November.

During road surface repair works on the A51 the Council was able to obtain road planings for repairs to Footpath No. 1 and the Kennels Lane layby.

Planning

During the year the Parish Council responded to consultations by the Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Council Planning Department on planning applications in the parish, including 5 for minor developments and 1 for major development by Jones Homes in Baldwins Gate.

Cllr Oppenheimer represented the Parish Council at the Planning Committee's hearing on the reserved matters application for the Croft Farm development. Cllr Oppenheimer represented the Neighbourhood Plan Group at the Planning Committee's hearing on Richborough Estates' application for major development at Baldwin's Gate Farm.

Former landfill site at Chorlton Moss

Following the death of the long-term tenant, the Parish Council took possession of its land on Chorlton Moss Lane in September.

Parish appearance

The Parish Council is grateful to volunteers who have assisted with maintenance tasks in various parts of the parish, including mowing the green at Chapel Chorlton, repairs to Footpath No. 1 on Chorlton Moss, hedge cutting and fence repair on the Council's land at Chorlton Moss Lane, and undergrowth/overgrowth clearance and litter control at the Kennels Lane layby.

Public engagement

The Parish Council has installed a parish noticeboard at Stableford.

Newsletters were distributed to all households in the parish in May 2022 and November 2022.

The Council's website <https://chapelandhillchorlton-pc.co.uk> has been maintained. Agendas and minutes of all Parish Council meetings are available on the site.

