

The Winkfield Annual Parish Meeting

Tuesday 21st May 2024 at 7.30pm
Carnation Hall, Chavey Down Road, Winkfield Row RG42 7PA

AGENDA

1. Welcome by the Chairman of the Parish Council

2. Apologies for absence

3. Minutes

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 23rd May 2023 are attached as Appendix 1. **To be confirmed and signed.**

4. Accounts

The financial position (DRAFT) of the Parish Council to date is attached at Appendix 2. Full accounts to 31st March 2023 will be made available to view as soon as they are prepared.

The Accounts of the Winkfield Parochial Charities to 31st December 2023 will be made available to view as soon as they are prepared. They will be available to view via the Charities Commission website (registration number 23993) or a request can be sent to the Winkfield Parochial Charities by email to winkfieldparochialcharities@outlook.com

5. Chair of Winkfield Parish Council Report

Cllr Dudley will give a short overview of the past year's activities of Winkfield Parish Council.

6. Presentations:

- i. Ivan Parr – Environment Agency – “Flood Risk”
- ii. Nathan Lomax – Police Community Support Officer

7. Grants To Local Organisation/Charities

Winkfield Parish Council has made the following grants during 2023/24. *All recipients have been invited to attend and speak for a maximum of 3 minutes detailing a little about their organisation and how the money granted has been used.*

- a. Youthline
- b. Nuture Kids Ascot
- c. Charlotte Pratt Memorial Hall
- d. Citizens Advice East Berkshire
- e. Football for All
- f. Keep Mobile
- g. The Ark Trust
- h. St Martins Church
- i. Charters Bowls Club
- j. Cranbourne Primary School PTA
- k. Sebastian Action Trust
- l. Winkfield & North Ascot Good Neighbour Scheme
- m. Jealotts Hill Community Landshare
- n. Stepping Stones Recovery College
- o. Sunningdale & Ascot Camera Club

- p. Winkfield St Mary's School PTA
- q. The Dash Charity

8. Resident/Community Associations Updates

An opportunity for our active community groups to update everyone on their activities over the past year. *All local Resident Associations have been invited to attend and speak for 3 minutes if they so wish.*

9. Any motions of which written notice has been given.

10. Any other business which electors wish to raise relating to the Parish.

Following the meeting please do stay and enjoy some light refreshments.

Cllr Colin Dudley
Chairman, Winkfield Parish Council
8th May 2024

**MINUTES of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING of the Parish of Winkfield
Held at Martins Heron & The Warren Community Centre, Whitton Road
on Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT:

Chairman of Winkfield Parish Council (WPC), Councillor Colin Dudley - in the Chair

Plus: 11 Parish Councillors 7 Electors 12 Non-electors 6 Staff

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from WPC Cllrs Blakemore, Ehinger, Karim and Lazar.

2. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 29th March 2022 had been circulated to those present and were attached at Appendix 1.

It was proposed by Cllr Barber, seconded by Cllr Wall and unanimously

RECOMMENDED that the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 29th March 2022 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

3. ACCOUNTS

The financial position of the Parish Council to date was attached at Appendix 2. Full accounts to 31st March 2023 will be made available to view as soon as they are prepared.

The Draft Accounts of the Winkfield Parochial Charities to 31st December 2022 were available to view.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

WPC Chairman, Cllr Colin Dudley gave a full report of the Parishes activities over the past year:

Over the past year Winkfield Parish Council has seen a lot of change and upheaval. We've said goodbye to some key staff members, including our Clerk and Head of Grounds and Facilities, but it's been wonderful to welcome back Annemarie Edwards and Allan Moffat as interim officers. Their expertise has been incalculably valuable to the Council as we adjust and adapt during this period of change. We look forward to welcoming our new Clerk, Ruth, who will soon be joining us.

It's strange to think that a year ago many of us were planning and looking forward to Jubilee events for the late Queen Elizabeth II. Winkfield Parish Council opted to support smaller events in the community rather than planning a big event of our own, and we gave grants to a number of schools, churches, charity and neighbourhood groups throughout the Parish. I'm sure many of you will have been looking back fondly on such events as we celebrated the recent Coronation.

The annual Family Cycle Ride took place last May, with over 200 riders taking on the ten mile course around the local area. We were blessed with lovely weather. Let's hope this year's ride, on June 25th, is just as successful - we could really use a few more volunteers! Please talk to Liza Challis or indeed any of the staff here tonight if you're able to help.

The Summer of Fun event saw hundreds of local residents join us for an event at Locks Ride, on a scorching August Day. It was a wonderful event with a joyful atmosphere, with residents of all ages enjoying games, community stalls, food and drink and the beautiful surroundings.

Later in the year we were delighted to celebrate Silver Sunday, a relatively new initiative to highlight the contributions of older people in our communities. Councillors dished out tins of biscuits to older people in their neighbourhoods and supported a party at St Christopher's Gardens. We also offered older residents a workshop in making their own Autumnal wreaths. We'll soon be thinking about this year's celebrations - make sure Silver Sunday is in your diary!

We were sad to have to cancel our Spring Footpath Walk because of flooding on the paths making conditions unsafe and unpleasant. However our Autumn Walk was a great success, with residents, Councillors and a good number of dogs enjoying the countryside together.

Arts Week, always an annual highlight, saw events and activities across the Parish and neighbouring parishes. A huge variety of activities were enjoyed by residents, including concerts, participatory music, arts and crafts.

As we entered the festive season, our incredibly popular wreath-making events were enjoyed by many residents. Our Festive Event, which was held online in 2020 and outdoors in 2021, returned to Carnation Hall in December 2022, and we had a wonderful time with lots of music, mulled wine, mince pies, and even a visit from Santa himself!

Throughout the year, Councillors and volunteers have been engaging in the Community Speedwatch initiative. We know that antisocial driving is a concern throughout the Parish; we've caught numerous vehicles driving much too fast along our streets since we launched the programme back in March 2022. These drivers receive a letter warning them to slow down, and the data we collect is used to inform road safety planning and anti-speeding measures. Most importantly, our teams provide a visual reminder to drivers that they need to observe the speed limit. It's a very straightforward way for anyone with a couple of hours to spare to help make our neighbourhoods safer - if you'd be interested in getting involved we would love to hear from you - please email the office or indeed speak to any of the staff here tonight if you're able to help.

We've also been litter picking! Litter is another constant problem for many parts of our Parish, and we know that residents throughout the area are regularly taking to the streets with gloves and bags, doing their bit to keep things neat. The Parish Council organises litter picking events across the area and throughout the year; you'll find details of these in our newsletter. You can also borrow litter picking equipment from us if you want to strike out on your own!

We have several large projects underway as a Parish Council. We as a Council are passionate about doing what we can to combat climate change, and as part of that

work we've recently made plans to install solar panels at Carnation Hall. We know that residents want to see us doing whatever we can to reduce our carbon footprint and make all our activities as a council as sustainable as possible; please talk to us if you have ideas for how we can be ever more effective in looking after our area and the planet.

Some of the projects we are currently working on:

- We are replacing the play equipment at Fernbank Play Area and we are hoping that the installation will start very shortly.
- We are planning to install solar panels on Carnation Hall towards the end of the summer.
- We have partnered with Clubspark which allows members of the public to pay and play at our tennis courts at Ascot Jubilee Recreation Ground, Goaters Road.
- The pavilion at Locks Ride is the biggest project we have going on at present and we are awaiting final planning approval from BFC.
- We're also looking forward to the installation of toilet facilities at our King George V Park, which should take place at the same time as the Locks Ride Project.

Our Summer newsletter will be dropping through your letterboxes in the next 2-3 weeks and inside you will find many details of all that is going on.

Cllr Dudley thanked everyone for coming.

5. PRESENTATION: Alan Gibson, enforcement Officer, Public Protection Partnership – 'Fly Tipping Investigation'

Alan gave a very informative presentation. On the big scale of things Winkfield has a very low amount of flytipping. In contrast, our neighbouring Parish, Warfield, suffers hugely with flytipping.

Two of the biggest products being flytipped are:

- i. The waste from cannabis farms - bags and bags of waste are dumped and are usually brought into the area from many miles away – recently over 300 bags of cannabis waste were dumped in one local location and it is believed these originated from Essex.
- ii. Waste from builders/contractors working on houses in the area. Alan stressed the importance of residents being aware as to whether the contractors they employ to carry out work on their homes are disposing of any waste responsibly and hold a current Waste Carrier Licence. These licences cost £265 for five years and there is a charge for any waste they dispose of. It is the responsibility of the householder to ensure their contractor complies with legislation otherwise they can be prosecuted along with the contractor.

Alan urged everyone to report any flytipping online.

6. PRESENTATION: Paul Bidwell, Chair of Trustees, AGE Concern Bracknell



Paul gave an interesting talk highlighting the main activities of AGE Concern Bracknell. His presentation is detailed below.

Age Concern Bracknell Forest is a 50 year old charity.

- 1972 Our Charity was formed as a social club to combat loneliness in older people.
- 2000 Became an independent Charity
- 2013 Became a charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)

We are passionate about offering support, engagement and services to the elderly of Bracknell and surrounding areas.

Since 1992 we have been running a Day Centre located in Forest Park Bracknell that specializes in offering placements to older people who are lonely, isolated or who have been diagnosed with dementia. Our centre offers carers much needed respite, allowing them time to relax or undertake other duties. We work with families to ensure they are confident their loved ones are cared for. We provide a wide range of exciting activities and stimulation in our centre with dementia in mind by a dedicated and trained care team. We offer training to local students and Thames Valley Police.

Our Day Centre offers spaces primarily to the elderly and those diagnose with dementia. However, we will consider a placement for anyone where a benefit can be

gained by attending. We are open Monday - Friday. 9am until 4pm. Our days are structured with risk assessed activities. Activities range from arts and crafts, bingo, quizzes, reminiscing games, group activities, individual activities, chair fitness, mindfulness and meditation and much more. We serve a two-course meal everyday. Normally a main meal and dessert.

The Day Centre team are experienced in working with the elderly and in particular those with Dementia. Our staff have NVQ qualifications and have all completed a set of mandatory CPD accredited courses set by Age Concern Bracknell Forest as part of our training offer to staff. These include: Infection Control, COSHH, Dementia Level 2, Fire Safety, Manual Handling, First Aid, Food Safety, Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults, Safe Handling of Medication, Multi-sensory Impairment, Mental Health Awareness.

We have re-fitted the entire centre to make it more engaging and dementia friendly. It has been fitted with immersive "High Street" artwork and a colourful design. We have added a Cinema room, showing classic TV and Films daily. Our garden has also seen a bright make over giving us more space.

Triple - A

Age Concern Bracknell Forest is proud to relaunch and continue the incredible work and ambitions of former voluntary group. The aims of the former Triple A service remain unchanged now it is included in the ACBF family. We want more than anything to get people out and engaged in their local communities again. We provide respite for carers and offering fun, stimulating and exciting activities benefiting and enriching older people's lives locally.

Triple – A Weekend Lunch Club

We are excited to announce that Age Concern Bracknell Forest is launching a new batch of weekend lunch dates. After the tremendous success of the first 3 months, we are thrilled to continue offering this fantastic opportunity for the local community to enjoy delicious food and great company in a welcoming and inclusive environment. Our weekend lunch dates are perfect for those who want to meet new people socialize, and enjoy a nutritious and tasty meal. We have a wonderful menu, including vegetarian and gluten-free options, prepared by our talented team.

Volunteering...

We are always looking for new volunteers to help support our charitable work.

Fundraising..

With the cost of living crisis the charity is trying it's best to continue it's mission to support the local community by increasing it's fundraising efforts. From grants to bucket collections as well as an online shop! We appreciate the support of local grants. And welcome to chance to apply for more.

7. GRANTS TO LOCAL ORGANISATION/CHARITIES

The following grants had been made by Winkfield Parish Council in 2021/22:

- a. AGE Concern
- b. Bracknell & district Parkinson's
- c. Charters Bowls Club
- d. Citizens Advice East Berkshire
- e. First Days
- f. Keep Mobile

- g. Life Education Wessex
- h. St Mary's Churchyard maintenance
- i. St Peter's Churchyard maintenance
- j. South East Berks Gangshow
- k. South Hill Park Trust
- l. Stepping Stones

The Chairman's chosen charity for the year was Pilgrim Hearts.

Representatives from Citizen's Advice East Berkshire, Charters Bows Club, South Hill Park Trust, South East Berks Gang Show, Stepping Stones, Bracknell & District Parkinson's and Pilgrim Hearts gave brief presentations outlining how the grant has helped their organisations.



8. RESIDENT/COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS UPDATE

Colin Yates, Vice Chair of the very active Chavey Down Association (CDA) gave a brief presentation on the recent activities of the Association including many events – last year they held a party to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee. The CDA produce a regular newsletter and take a great interest in local planning applications. The CDA welcomes new members to join them and Colin highlighted the fact that it is not necessary to live in the immediate area of Chavey Down.

9. ANY MOTIONS OF WHICH WRITTEN NOTICE HAD BEEN GIVEN

None received.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH ELECTORS WISH TO RAISE RELATING TO THE PARISH

Cllr Buchler highlighted the importance of good communications – we all need to improve our channels of communication as there are many perspective volunteers in our community willing to get involved.

The Chairman thanked everyone for their contribution to a successful evening and invited everyone to participate in the light refreshments.

Meeting closed at 8.59pm.

29/04/2024

Winkfield Parish Council

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DRAFT Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2024**31st March 2023****31st March 2024****Current Assets**

1,430	Debtors	7,992
0	Other Debtors	125
7,147	Vat Due	44,983
7,095	Prepayments	5,240
502,333	HSBC	668,024
212,922	Lloyds TSB	219,330
105,163	NatWest	367,153
250,000	Nationwide	250,000
150,000	Santander	151,618
250,000	Clydesdale Bank	0
151,950	United Trust Bank Ltd	155,901
151,828	Reliance	151,949
150,000	Hampshire Trust Bank HTB	150,000
150,000	Redwood Bank	150,000

2,089,868**2,322,315****2,089,868 Total Assets****2,322,315****Current Liabilities**

27,369	Creditors	105,949
17,625	Accruals	1,198
0	Other Creditors	4,167
0	PAYE/NI Due	5,331
0	Pension Due	6,224
0	Receipts in Advance	398
20	Holding Deposits	770
733	Indemnity Deposits	1,050

45,747**125,086****2,044,121 Total Assets Less Current Liabilities****2,197,229****Represented By**

563,084	General Fund	425,496
1,481,037	Earmarked Reserves	1,771,733

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