



CHILTON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Town Assembly

held on Tuesday 3rd May 2022 in St. Aidan's Church Hall, Chilton

The meeting was presided over by Mayor of Chilton - Cllr. Elizabeth Bruce

Present: *Councillors: S. Sutherland, J. Cairns, V. Collinson, P. Davies, P. Malpas, L. Rundle, K. Hornsby, J. Houlihan,*

County Cllr. J. Cairns was also present in her role as County Councillor.

In attendance: Mr. J. Robinson - Town Clerk,

Members of the public: *6 members of the public were present.*

The Mayor on behalf of the Town Council welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked those who would be presenting reports.

AA01/22 **APOLOGIES**

RESOLVED: To accept apologies and reasons for absence from Councillor A. Bruce (Health) and M. Young (work)

AA02.22 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Nil.

AA03/22 **MEMBERS' DISPENSATION**

None.

AA04/22 **ANNUAL REPORT OF CHILTON TOWN COUNCIL**

The Chairman referred those residents present to the printed Annual Report of Chilton Town Council 2021/22 (copy on file). She specifically addressed the various issues in the report covering the last Civic year. The report also covered the main activities undertaken by Council and the various roles played by members.

She wished to thank those who had assisted the Council in whatever role during the year. She welcomed Cllr. J. Houlihan to the Council having been elected to fill the vacancy following the resignation of Cllr. A. Hughes. There remains a vacancy on Council for Co-option and she encouraged members of the public to apply

She advised the meeting the report will be also available on the Council website.

AA05/22 **MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN ASSEMBLY 2021**

The minutes of the Annual Town Assembly of 2021 were formally agreed moved Cllr. V. Collinson and seconded Cllr. S. Sutherland.

AA06/22 **REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR**

County Councillor J. Cairns reported on the following:-

- a. She is a member of South Durham Planning Committee and Scrutiny
- b. She has been closely involved in Windlestone Hall Project.
- c. She is currently Chair of 4 Together AAP
- d. Over the year she has worked closely with groups and residents on the following issues, Empty Homes, Litter, ASB, Litter, and Dog Fouling.
- e. She has commenced Multi Agency Walkabouts

AA07/22 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 20/21

It was proposed Cllr. S.Sutherland seconded by Cllr. V.Collinson to agree the Annual Accounts for the Civic Year 20/21. This was carried.

AA07/22 **QUESTIONS FROM PARISHONERS**

The Chairman opened the meeting to questions from the floor:

- Reference was made to missing minutes on the website. Town Clerk advised 2019, 2021 and 2022 are uploaded. Unable to upload those missing from 2020
- A resident referred to the forthcoming Co-option
- A resident referred to the forthcoming Chilton Show and offered to assist
- A resident referred to Allotment Funding and the use of Allotment rents. Mayor and Town Clerk explained Council Funding regime.
- A resident sought information on the Charlie Wayman drainage programme.

The Mayor thanked the public for their questions and assured feedback and responses would be provided to the specific issues raised.

AA08/22 **DATE OF 2023 TOWN ASSEMBLY**

To be held 2nd May 2023

Meeting closed 7.35pm

Signed:

Mayor of Chilton 2021/22