Minutes of the meetings of Chivelstone Parish Council, held on Monday 2 October 2023.

**Attendees** – Cllrs S Jeffery, RJ Tucker, C Lewis, A Johnston together with V Tucker, S Trinick and the Clerk.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Richard Tucker & Julian Brazil.
2. **Declaration of interest** – Cllr RJ Tucker declared an interest in item 8 and Cllr Lewis an interest in 4 c).
3. **Minutes –** minutes of the Council meeting held on 4 September 2023 were authorised and signed.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes of 4 September 2023**
   1. Registering common land – All to consider which documents show the pond being used, for at least 20 years, in a recreational way. Carry forward.
   2. Working party for ditches and signs – date was agreed as 14 October.
   3. Replacement benches – the Hall Committee didn’t agree to a bench for the Kingstons. A replacement bench for Hathor is still required and since the last meeting Josephine Trinick’s bench has gone beyond repair, likewise those in the playpark. Request a quote for 3 benches and add to next agenda.
   4. Playpark – annual invoice has been received and repairs required.
   5. Devonshire Bridge road has been closed as DCC are unable to access the surrounding land to carry out the repairs and this work is not on schedule for 2024. Lane from Chivelstone to Cross Lanes needs to be repaired as an alternative route.
   6. Gateway at Ford –Cllr Brazil has been following this up.
   7. Town Hill noticeboard – Clerk to measure up for a replacement backboard

1. **Councillor vacancy** – Richard Partridge was unanimously co-opted as a Parish Councillor.
2. **Matters for the Chairman’s discretion -** see item 12
3. **Cllr. J. Brazil (SHDC & DCC)** was unable to attend due to a conflicting meeting.
4. **Planning** – **2840/23/FUL** – no objections.
5. **Enforcements** were discussed
6. **Finance:**

Accounts Instant Access £ 3,002.94

Number one £ 10,446.47

* 1. Paid in Car parking box Sept £ 75.57

2nd Precept £ 2,875.00

* 1. Paid out Clerk’s salary (Sept) £ 150.00

Playpark invoice £ 264.60

Nuneaton signs £ 71.24

Cllr Jeffery proposed that CPC finances be noted and payments made, seconded by Cllr Lewis.

1. **Correspondence –** all correspondence forwarded to Councillors.
2. **Matters at the Chairman’s discretion, or to be put to the next meeting**

* Town Hill – could scrape down the side where the cars park to allow more passing space.
* Hall Committee have asked if CPC could make a contribution to the running cost of the defibrillator – Clerk to investigate the average annual cost and add to the next agenda.

1. **Public Participation** – V Tucker mentioned that CPC had not given any money towards the churchyard maintenance recently. Clerk to look at the amount the PC used to contribute, item to be added to next agenda. S Trinick asked about the ‘earthworks’ at Ford. This has been notified to SHDC and Cllr Brazil is monitoring it closely.
2. **Next meeting** 6 November 2023

Sean Jeffery, Chair, Chivelstone Parish Council:------------------------------------------------------------

Ren Hill, Clerk, Chivelstone Parish Council:------------------------------------------------------------------

Date 06.11.23