Minutes of the meetings of Chivelstone Parish Council, held on Monday 4 December 2023.

**Attendees** – Cllrs S Jeffery, RJ Tucker, C Lewis, RRJ Tucker, R Partridge, A Johnston with B Jeffery and the Clerk.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr J Brazil.
2. **Declaration of interest** – none.
3. **Minutes –** minutes of the Council meeting held on 6 November 2023 were authorised and signed.
4. **Matters arising from the minutes of 6 November 2023**
   1. Registering common land – All to consider which documents show the pond being used, for at least 20 years by a significant number of local inhabitants, in a recreational way. Carry forward.
   2. Replacement benches – Have been delivered and will be installed once weather improves.
   3. Sign for Cousins Cross – Has been put up, thanks to Cllr RJ Tucker.
   4. Playpark – Repairs will be carried out when the bench is installed.
   5. Town Hill noticeboard –Replacement backing in hand (74.5cm wide x 55cm high).
5. **Precept 2024/25** – All agreed to keep at current level of £5,750.
6. **Matters for the Chairman’s discretion -** see item 12
7. **Cllr. J. Brazil (SHDC & DCC)** – delayed by previous meeting.
8. **Planning** –**3612/23/HHO** – Ash Park – no comment. **3747/23/VAR** – Mill House – no comment.
9. **Enforcements** were discussed
10. **Finance:**

Accounts Instant Access £ 2,974.94

Number one £ 8,327.38

* 1. Paid in Car parking box Nov £ 16.33
  2. Paid out Clerk’s salary (Oct/Nov) £ 300.00

Printer ink £ 37.49

RBL Wreath £ 20.00

Netwise (website renewal) £ 288.00

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

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

* Willows around the pond – Company has offered to tender. Would need trimming around the front/island/benches and bullrushes at the front.
* Horsley coast path need attention – contact SW Coastpath.

1. **Public Participation** – B Jeffery asked what DCC do with our council tax – lots of potholes, flooding, roads marked up but work not carried out. Pleased that the clerk has taken printer costs eventually.
2. **Next meeting** 8 January 2024

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

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

Date 08.01.24