

# MINUTES of the WONSTON PARISH ASSEMBLY

Held at the Victoria Hall, Sutton Scotney

At 7.45pm on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022

## **PRESENT**

Parish Councillors: Lucy Dowson (Chairman), Judith Polak, Pauline Maunder, Kevin Maunder.

Residents: Around 16 residents attended the meeting.

Special Guests: Nickey of South Wonston Recycling, HCCllr Jackie Porter.

Apologies: WCCllr Caroline Horrill, Cllr David Price, David Forster.

Minutes Jocelyn Jenkins (PC Clerk).

**1 MINUTES** The Minutes of the Parish Assembly of 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 were **agreed** and signed.

**2 CHAIRMAN** Lucy Dowson, as Chairman of the Parish Council, formally opened the meeting by welcoming residents and visitors back for the first Parish Assembly since 2019.

In a brief report the Chairman noted that in the past year the Parish Council has purchased a new speed awareness device which should be operational from June when the operating licence is received from HCC. Financial support continues to be given to the Gratton Trust and other groups who benefit the community. These include the Lunch Club, Knit and Natter, Scots Tots, Citizens Advice, Victim Support and the Churches in the Parish.

The Chairman drew attention to the Housing Growth display and noted that it is the responses from residents which will guide the response which the Parish Council makes to Winchester City Council.

The Chairman noted that some very special people were present at the meeting, unsung heroes of the Parish who voluntarily collect rubbish for the benefit of all residents. Vouchers were presented to the litter pickers as a mark of the Parish Council's appreciation of their efforts. Particular thanks were given to George Penny who is retiring after many years as a volunteer litter picker.

The Chairman concluded her report by thanking Nickey from South Wonston Recycling for attending and making a presentation to the meeting.

### **3 PRESENTATION – NICKEY from SOUTH WONSTON RECYCLING**

Nickey brought an interesting display and noted that she started South Wonston Recycling just over a year ago due to her frustration over the number of items which cannot go in the household recycling bins. A number of these items are now being collected instead and the money raised is donated to charity. She observed that recycling is popular and that even small steps make a difference but that it only has a small impact and that she has therefore joined WeCann (a Winchester Action on Climate Change group) and is looking to set up a local climate action group.

Refreshments and informal conversation followed and the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

1. Chairman's signature at WPC meeting ..... Date .....

2. Chairman's signature at 2023 Parish Assembly ..... Date .....