

## **MINUTES OF ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 AT THE SRA AT 7.30PM**

**PRESENT:** A. Thompson (Chair), District Councillor Dermot Bambridge, Stuart Pringle, Managing Director of Silverstone Circuit, and 29 members of the parish. Also in attendance L. Paice, Parish Clerk.

Members were welcomed to the meeting by Anthony Thompson as Parish Council Chairman. Clarification of the status of the meeting. Report packs were available to the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES** were received from Carol Tosh and Bob Brightman.
2. **MINUTES** of the 2018 meeting being available to those present were **agreed** and signed as a true record.
3. **MATTERS ARISING** from those Minutes relating to the following items were all clarified by the Chair.
  - One way traffic system in Little London, the Chair advising of the position in regard to NCC outstanding issues being addressed.
4. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** - Villagers present were thanked by the Chairman's whose report was included in the pack.
5. **FINANCING OF THE SRA** - Dermot Bambridge as Chair of the PC Finance Committee reported the resolution from the Parish Council on the 2019-20 funding of the SRA to be placed before this meeting at £4.19p per head on the Electoral Roll at 1<sup>st</sup> January giving a granted sum of £8000. This was **agreed** by the meeting. In addition the PC had made payments of £1600 from its Leisure enhancement budget for payments related to the planned SRA project. On this latter issue the Council had resolved to grant £50,000 from its earmarked Leisure Enhancement Fund towards the SRA project. The PC as client for this project would shortly be submitting an application for further funding from the SNC New Homes Bonus fund.
6. There was no representation from **NORTHANTS POLICE** but a report from them was available on request.

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR DERMOT BAMBRIDGE** gave his report to the meeting, a copy of which was included in the Reports Pack.

A resident raised a question in regard to the cost implications of the SNC/Cherwell 'divorce' and Cllr Bambridge advised the path being followed to maintain as much SNC funding as possible within the District prior to the impending Unitary Authority in 2021.

A question was asked in relation to the planned Towcester Relief Road and a forthcoming meeting at Towcester Town Hall chaired by Andrea Leadsom MP was highlighted.

Cllr Bambridge was thanked for his report.

Cllr Ian Morris as **COUNTY COUNCILLOR** had been unable to attend the meeting due to a last minute NCC meeting.

The **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN WORKING PARTY** had sent a written report which was in the Reports Pack and charts showing the results of the responses from the recent exhibition were on display in the hall. Stuart Pringle from Silverstone Circuit who had donated the raffle prize relating to the questionnaire completion at the Exhibition was asked to draw the prize resulting in Mr Porter from Brackley Road being the lucky winner.

**STUART PRINGLE** then went on to give updates of what was happening at the Circuit covering various aspects of the planned Hotel, Conference facilities and short stay accommodation lodges, the opening of the new Silverstone Experience Centre, progress on the future of F1 at the Silverstone, the impending resurfacing of the track, the earlier action taken in this regard having been unfit for purpose, and a wide range of other activities currently being progressed. Things were looking much better than he had been able to report last year and were going in the right direction.

A question was asked about the impact of traffic going forward with this increased usage and a timed ticketing system which had been put in place was detailed which it was hoped will limit any further impact on the village.

He finished by saying that in ten years time there would be a totally different look to this long established local and national facility.

Stuart thanked the village for its support of the Circuit and the Chair in returned thanked them for their support of Silverstone Village.

Written **REPORTS** were available on the **POCKET PARKS, PARISH FOOTPATHS, PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE, WI, GARDEN CLUB** and on the **PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS**.

Further verbal reports were given by Nick Ashby on the **SRA, NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** and **SPEEDWATCH** and by Peter Coles on the **POORS ALLOTMENT CHARITY**

#### **7. MATTERS MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHED TO RAISE –**

Questions were raised on:

- The unfinished cycle path along Towcester Road which was explained by the Chair. A meeting would be arranged which Highways Officers
- The hedges on Phygtle which needed pruning.
- The provision of a footpath along the frontage of the new development on Church Street where the bank had now been laid to grass. The position of the Local Planning authority on this was detailed.
- Exposed metal work at the above site which the PC would investigate.
- The possibility of speed limit signs on all wheelie bins put out on the problematic areas of the village. The Clerk would liaise with Nick Ashby on this and Cllr Bambridge would clarify the legal position with SNC

#### **8. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – to be advised in due course**

There being no other business, and villager being thanked for attending, the meeting was closed