**CALVERT GREEN PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of Meeting held on 30th April 2024**

**Signed: Charman Phil Gaskin**……………………………………………………………………………

The meeting proper then began.

Attendance and apologies

**Attendees:**

Cllr Phil Gaskin (Chair) **(PG)**

Cllr Kirsten Gittins (Deputy Chair) **(KG)**

Cllr David Russell **(DR)**

Cllr Colin Sharples **(CS)**

Cllr Gary Atkins **(GA)**

Clerk Tracy Horsfield **(TH)**

Members of the public

**Apologies**

Cllr Frank Mahon **(Cllr FM)**

Cllr Carl Blakeley **(CB)**

**Cycling Club presentation – John gave a brief overview of the Club and the benefits of it to the local community.**

**John is actively looking for funding to find somewhere to put a track in, in the local area.**

1. **Declarations of interest**

**PG** None declared

**Minutes of meeting held on 26th March 2024**

Agreed and signed

1. **Public participation**

**PG** anything to raise? Pathway to Steeple Claydon, could we then approach BT re broadband? **PG/KG** explained the historical issues Calvert Green had with BT, **DR** to contact BT.

Having issues with residents accessing the woods area, via residents’ sheds, we have confronted them a couple of times they became abusive. We have contacted FCC to ask if they could increase the height of the fence. I’m asking if the PC could ask FCC on our behalf. We do have a contact at the police. **TH** to raise with FCC

1. **Neighbourhood plan**

**CS>TH** to publish when ready, it would be good to have an open public participation section**, PG** it would be good to have it at a weekend or evening. **PG** can we share with the surrounding Parish Councils before publishing with residents. **CS** I will then share with the surrounding landowners. **CS** Then there is a list of others I need to contact, subject to this I am keen to submit.

1. **Dunsty Hill**

**TH** haven’t had any applications recently, previous applications, we couldn’t object.

1. **Tracker**

**Street lights** **PG** Fixed

**Bollards PG** LAT noted the bollards that need replacing.

**Allotments** **PG** > **DR** no news.

**Funding** **TH** **CB** had a response from Steve Broadbent that the HS2 road safety fund explaining why it can’t be used to reduce speed limits. **TH** we could look at speed signs and pathways. **PG** the bridleway needs finishing. **PG** to produce a map. Resident asked if possibly a Chicane by the shop. **TH** to submit a funding application for speed signs, chicane, and possible bridle way.

**Litter/salt bins** **TH** LAT to rectify

**Memorial Garden** **TH** John has cut the grass, **TH** to submit on Fix my street about the verges. **TH** has spoken to John he is willing to take on if we supply a ride on mower. **TH** to check if John has public Liability insurance. **PG** to contact HS2 re a shipping container. **Parish Council** voted on buying a mower and metal container, agreed. **TH** to write a letter and place on vehicle.

**Kissing gate TH** John unable to fix as it is rotten,

**Green** **TH** to email to say we would not be taking over the services until we have more information.

**Oakpark** Ongoing

**Speed Limit** **CB** re assess in 6 months

**Bus stop markings TH** LAT visit

1. **HS2/EWR**

**PG** > They came out with their engagement van, **TH** and **GA** attended. We are still complaining about the state of the roads, they apologised for not opening the Gawcott Road at Easter. They are still quoting that they have given Bucks CC £5M for roads this was given for road safety not potholes. **TH** has received an email from EWR about some first aid training and will be extending this to **CGCA**. They have also said there could be a possibility of a new Defib. **TH** has asked for 2 dates starting w/c 10th June2024.

1. **Solar Farm**

**PG > GA** Any updates?No update yet**.**

1. **CGCA update**

**TH** had a very productive meeting, so thank you for that. **TH** Darren has fixed the roof, still need someone to look at the boiler. **DR** to research.

***CGCA update had some new volunteers and committee members, website being rebuilt. More events to be arranged. Brickworx to open on a Friday and Saturday alternating by month. We are reviewing the cleaners at present.***

1. **Flooding**

Storage should help with storing the flood defence kits, **PG** would like to do a training session before they go into storage.

**Financials**

All signed off

**AOB**

**Correspondence**

**Councillor Clerk responsibilities, TH** asked if Councillors could you copy in **TH.**

**Kissing gate,** John went to fix it, the fencing is also rotten. John has a friend who will come and take a look. Agreed by the PC when fixed John to take away old fencing.

**Next meeting and AGM 21st May at 1900**

**Meeting ended 21.40**