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**Minutes of the East Clandon Parish Council Meeting ANNUAL MEETING
held at the Village Hall on Thursday 11th May 2023 at 7.45pm.**

Present Sibylla Tindale (Chair) James Eves (Vice Chair), Al Mundy, Dave Elson
In Attendance: GBC Cllrs Catherine Young, Cllr Ruth Brothwell, Linda Koszo (Clerk), Villagers Peter Smart, Anne Randall, Lesley Pitt, Bruce Tindale, Louise Herbert, John Leader, Chris Ross

- 0541** **Apologies for Absence - SCC Cllr Colin Cros, GBC Cllr Dawn Bennett, Greg Ganjou, Lucy Matuszynski**
- 0542** **Welcome to the Annual Parish Meeting and Agreed Chair of Meeting**
Welcome given by Sibylla Tindale and agreed as Chair for the meeting
- 0543** **Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair for the year 2022-2023**
Councillors appointed Sibylla Tindale as Chair (proposed by James Eves and seconded by Dave Elson); and James Eves as Vice-Chair (proposed by Sibylla Tindale and seconded by Al Mundy)
- 0544** **Acceptance and signing of Minutes from Annual Meeting 5th May 2022**
Signed by the Chair as a correct record. There were no matters arising.
- 0545** **Annual Report of the Parish Council**
Some key points:
Sibylla presented the Annual Report for period 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023. Sibylla thanked Dave for joining the Parish Council and welcomed Linda Koszo new Parish Clerk. Sibylla briefed finances, income and expenditure in detail.
Activities: Thanks to James Eves who maintained open spaces, playground and Ben Robertson for Clandon Gardens. Also big thank you to Chris Ross for running the tennis subscriptions and court maintenance schedule. The village Common will hopefully benefit from a new mowing regime to encourage flowers and less grass.
Thank you to Clare Goodall and a superb team who led the Platinum Jubilee Street Party and Francesca Lamont who organised the Childrens' Jubilee Concert in St Thomas's Church. Thanks to Rector Barnaby who held a special church service the weekend before and led the Jubilee Tree (Catalpa bignoides) planting with Jane Thorold, followed by a celebratory tea with homemade cakes organised by Holly Masson.
Thanks to Peter Smart for the Village Welcome Pack.
Thanks to Bug and Neil Robertson for running the Village Fete.

Thanks to Adrian Thompson for greening East Clandon and we welcome John Mairs as our new Tree Warden.

FROST continue to add to the richness of village life.

The village has installed a new all-purpose defibrillator and has conducted a CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) training which 18 villagers attended. Thanks to Matt Pitt and Dave Elson.

ECPC will once again be represented on the Village Hall Committee. Al Mundy has volunteered to be our representative.

We need new people on the ECPC. We ask villagers to actively apply.

0546 The Neighbourhood plan. Greg Ganjou is leading this large project with the new Steering Group made up of volunteer villagers. The ECPC have just launched Stage 1 – the scoping questionnaire – collecting information, needs, wants, dislikes and more opinions from each and every villager. PLEASE all respond. As many residents from our younger villagers, pre-voting age too should feel they can contribute to this early stage of scoping. The only constraint is that each respondent needs to be a resident. All the information as to how the Neighbourhood Plan is developed and eventually voted on in a referendum is available on the new website www.EastClandonNP.org

0547 The ECPC has met regularly with good attendance, thank you to all Cllr's. Great thanks to GBC Cllrs and SCC Cllrs. Special thanks to Sibylla Tindale as Chair.

0548 **Approval and Acceptance of the Un-audited accounts – For the year ended 31st March 2023.**
The Annual Report included details of the un-audited accounts at year end and reports were provided for the accounts up to 31st March 2023. Linda Koszo confirmed that Julie Eves would be Internal Auditor this year, and she will be applying for an Exemption Certificate for external audit.

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Bruce questioned who's opinion and then ultimately whose vote counts from each household? For the questionnaire at Stage 1, all opinions are sought as long as the respondent is a resident villager. This is why details of name and address is required. To be noted: all respondents and their opinions will be confidential and no opinion is attributable to any person.

Voting will only occur at the final and last stage when the policies arising from Stage 1 Scoping, have been discussed and re-tested with the villagers, followed by a check by the Planning Inspectorate.

Cllr Catherine Young advised the referendum will be a proper vote by GBC and every resident aged 18 and over can vote.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm
Linda Koszo – East Clandon Parish Clerk - 2023