

FINAL VERSION

NYTHE, ELDENE & LIDEN PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on 16th May 2023 at 6.30pm
At Liden Library

Present Cllr K Parry (Chair)
Cllr D Bell (Vice)
Cllr Z Hawson
Cllr G Perkins
Cllr M Davies
Cllr M Vallender
Cllr B Soloman

Officers Ms Emma Hill (Parish Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer)

Public Six present in the room

779 Apologies
Cllr Graham Stubbs, Cllr Curtis Flux

780 Welcome – Report by the Parish Council Chairman
Firstly, thank you to David Bell for being Vice Chair this year and Emma our Clerk for all her work. We must give thanks to the police who have attended lots of our meetings this year and have provided us with good information on what has been happening in our Parish.

Last Year

Last year we:

- Cut the grass 15 times.
- Added more bins
- Contact details added to the bins.
- More Benches
- Improved our Play Equipment
- Invested over £60,000 into Shaftesbury Play Park
- Bulb Planting at Nythe Lake
- Continues our weekly litter picks.
- Further bush and tree work including more up-lifting of trees to enhance the area.
- Provided a grant and supported Liden Library
- Received over £80,000 for allotment funds.
- We have provided a visual positive difference to our community.
- Youth Service

Year Ahead

We will:

- Continue to deliver our standard works programme.
- We will add more bins.
- We will carry out the repairs to the Play Equipment
- Work on the Allotments programme
- Push Swindon Borough Council to repair Nythe Community Centre

We will make year on year improvements, and we are delivering on our promise.

We are still one of the lowest Parish Precepts in Swindon.

Our programme and strategy are working, and we continue to deliver for the residents.

781 Election of Chair

Cllr Kevin Parry was the only nominee for the Chairman position for 2023/2024. The Councillors unanimously voted and agreed for Kevin Parry to be re-elected as Chairman for Nythe, Eldene & Liden Parish Council.

782 Election of Vice Chair

Cllr David Bell was the only nominee for Vice Chairman for 2023/2024. The councillors unanimously agreed. Cllr David Bell re-elected as Vice Chairman for Nythe, Eldene & Liden Parish Council.

783 Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation

Cllr Bell, Cllr Garry Perkins, and Cllr Bazil Soloman declared members of the Library Trust.

784 Public Questions, Comments or Representations (maximum of 15 minutes – extended at Chair’s discretion).

A question was raised regarding cleaning of the drains Chairman Parry advised this was for Swindon Borough Council and one of the Borough Councillors would report it.

A resident asked a question regarding the ringfenced monies of £7,000 for the Youth Service, Chairman Parry advised this money was now being used to support BEST, to date they have held one event day which was successful, the Parish hopes to bring back further feedback from these events from when they happen and have them more widely advertised.

A resident advised that she is now finding it difficult to maintain the flowerbeds on Eastmere, Parish to try and source a volunteer or contractor to take over this task.

A resident raised a concern the trees by the Traffic Calming area around Liden Drive, the clerk to advise the contractor to cut back accordingly.

The meeting was followed by the Scheduled Parish Council Meeting:

Signed

Chair of the Council

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