## **Draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 28th May 2024**

Council Pledge: Let our debating be reasoned and temperate, recognising that others may have a different point of view; and may we always remember that our deliberations and decisions are ultimately for the good of the people of Mayfield.

- 24.05.01 Cllr Boura welcomed those present to the meeting. No apologies were received.
- 24.05.02 Few of those present had been present at the APM held on 31st May 2022 and it was agreed not to take any action to approve these minutes.
- 24.05.03 The chairman read the report on the year 2023-24 provided by former chairman, Nat Wakefield, and this report is appended to these minutes. Nat was thanked for all her work in the year that she was a councillor.
- 24.05.04 Cllr Stephenson, acting RFO, presented information explaining the Parish Council finances and why the precept has had to be increased.
- 24.05.05 Borough Councillor Steve Sankey presented a verbal report. He said that there were revised car parking charges in Burton and Uttoxeter and that a charge for emptying brown bins would be introduced later in the year. He said that it was important to work together if projects were to be achieved.
  - A written report had been received from County Councillor Philip Atkins.
- 24.05.06 The Friday Club had received a small grant from the Parish Council recently but did not present a report.
- 24.05.07 A Ward Enhancement Grant is currently available from ESBC. The Parish Council has been working on a proposal for a "Year of The Arts" and ideas included Well Dressing and an Art and Craft Exhibition. Cllr Boura showed photos of the results of a Community Art Project, using recycled materials, which she had seen in Madiera.
- 24.05.08 A member of the Heritage Group has been developing ideas for a Village Sign. It was noted that this would be an expensive project which would require grant funding.
- 24.05.09 An out of control dog recently attacked livestock in the parish. Dog mess is regularly raised as a problem. Signs to educate the public are available from the Parish Council if anyone would like to put one up.
- 24.05.10 Footpaths were not discussed through lack of time.
- 24.05.11 A working party led by John Parker will develop a community plan for the redundant school building. A community cafe and craft workshops were suggested. It was noted that it was important that the proposal did not compete with the existing community buildings. This will be actioned quickly to potentially take advantage of the Ward Enhancement Grant funding currently available.
- 24.05.12 No other matters were raised through lack of time.