



## **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Present: Councillor Edwards (Chairman)**

**Councillors Ellis, Fletcher, Robinson, Smith, Venables, White & Willey (Vice Chairman) in the audience.**

**Also in attendance:**

Christopher Cook - Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer & Martin Worth  
County Councillor

Members of the public: **11 residents**

Residents were invited to speak, without a time restriction, on matters relating to the Parish.

This meeting was advertised as the Annual Parish Meeting and as such could be filmed or recorded by broadcasters, the media and members of the public. The public were advised that whilst every effort is taken to ensure that members of the public would not be filmed, it could not be guaranteed.

The Annual Parish Meeting was advertised from the 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 on the Parish Noticeboards, the Parish Council website and also on the Hatt Chat & Botus Banter and Botus Fleming Parish Council social media groups.

**Minutes 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**15/2024                      Chair's Welcome & Announcements**

Cllr Edwards (Chairman) welcomed residents to the Annual Parish Meeting and delivered Health and Safety housekeeping rules. No members of the public intended recording the Public Meeting. The Chairman explained that Covid safety measures would be adhered to for this Meeting.

**16                      Apologies for absence**

No apologies.

**Resolved** to note.



**17 To approve and sign as a correct the draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023.**

Proposed Sally White, seconded Steve Malcolm. All agreed.

No matters arising from the draft Minutes.

The Meeting **Resolved** to agree the draft Minutes.

**18 To receive the Chairman's Annual Report**

Cllr. Dave Edwards (Chairman) delivered the Annual report.

The full report can be viewed on the Parish Council website under 'Reports' at [www.botusfleming.org.uk](http://www.botusfleming.org.uk)

**Resolved** to note.

**19 To a Statement on the Parish Council accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024 from the Responsible Financial Officer**

The Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) delivered the end of year Accounts statement.

Annual receipts General Account £26,027.78 and payments £25,970.65.  
Annual receipts Earmarked Funds £22,845.00 and payments £14,648.67.  
**Total Annual receipts £48,872.78 and payments £40,619.32**

The Year end General Account balance £13,036.39, Earmarked Funds £19,461.06.  
**Total Funds £32,497.45**

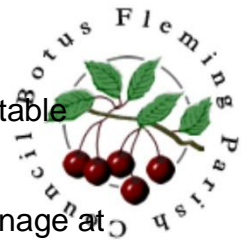
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**Resolved** to note.

**20 To invite the public to raise any matters of interest.**

Mervyn Ellis stated that buses were still completing U-turns at the entrance to Hatt outside the garage often causing an obstacle. These incidents had been referred to Plymouth CityBus for investigation once again.

Malcolm Fletcher praised the success of the local 'red bus's scheme providing a service for residents though the knock-on effect on the service was being felt by local



taxi firms who were finding it difficult to compete, especially with the bus time table now extended to longer hours.

Malcolm Fletcher mentioned the Playground area dog exclusion zone and signage at the Recreation Field warning residents of the penalties relating to non-compliance.

The question of dog wardens (volunteers, not Councillors) was raised. The Chairman explained the procedure and training available for a warden issuing a Fixed Penalty Notice. No volunteers had come forward to date.

**21 Close of Meeting at 19:00**

Cllr. Dave Edwards (Chairman) stated that the Public Meeting for the 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 would follow on immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting.

**Signed..... Date.....**  
**(Chairman)**