**CALVERT GREEN PARISH COUNCIL Minutes of Meeting held on 28th November 2023**

**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 Carl Blakeley **(CB)**

Cllr David Russell **(DR)**

Members of the public

**Apologies**

Cllr Frank Mahon **(Cllr FM)**

Clerk Tracy Horsfield **(TH)**

Cllr Colin Sharples **(CS)**

1. **Declarations of interest**

**KG** None declared

**Minutes of meeting held on 1st November 2023**

Agreed and signed

1. **New Councillor** (Gary Atkins) approved by Parish Council, documents signed. **TH** to book new councillor training.
2. **Public participation**

**PG** asked the room, Resident advised that on the news that TV Police have made a statement that they will prosecute parents re the misuse of electric scooters. **PG** stated we did put a post on Facebook a few months ago, but there hasn’t been as many around the village, **DR** did arrange a talk by the local PCO’s. **PG** the Local Councils do have Electric Scooter initiatives. But private scooters are against the law and the PCO’s have said they will drive through on occasion. **DR** it is illegal to drive them on public highways with insurance.

1. **Neighbourhood plan**

**CS** No update, KG commented that we need to push this through and ask **CS** if we could help.

1. **Dunsty Hill**

**KG** Nothing to report

1. **Tracker**

**Street lights** **TH** lamp post now fixed

**Bollards PG** > **TH** to chase LAT visit. **CB** to check they haven’t been replaced first and let **TH** know.

**Allotments** **PG** > **DR** not had a response, on a meeting I asked for any other land available, they did say possibly. **DR** to make contact again.

**Funding** **TH** ongoing

**Litter bins** **TH** to be added for when LAT attend

**Memorial Garden** **TH** all completed

**Green** **TH** now has a contact in Bucks as soon as policy is updated, they will send it out.

**Oakpark**/

**Hall Ceiling DR** arranged all of the work, **PG** thanked him for his efforts, **DR** box of tiles in cupboard, **DR** to email GB Partitions about the clips. **PG** has spoken with the **CGCA** to not let anyone play ball games in the hall.

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

1. **HS2/EWR**

**PG** The bridge is closed, demolition will start soon. **KG** yesterday my house was vibrating**, PG** possibly they started yesterday. The road will be closed for 2 years, there will be drill piling over the next few months. **PG** just to highlight, now the new Gawcott road is open, eventually it will connect to go over HS2. This will mean more road closures. **PG** drop-in session in the Community centre in the week, there was an assurance years ago that they would provide a footpath between Calvert and Steeple Claydon, this is being done, however they did say not on the bridge, **PG** has asked them to look into this. They may not put the street lights back either. A request came in from Greg Smith’s office to allow access for residents with disabilities. They are putting a defib in Old Calvert. **CB** Planning application, **PG** nothing to object around the Bat structure. **PG** the boarding across where the bridge was will be painted green.

1. **Solar Farm**

**PG >**Did anyone attend? No, we objected formerly at the scale of the project and other reasons. **PG** to speak to East Claydon Chairman. **TH** had asked for a Councillor representative, **GA** agreed to take this on.

1. **Financials**

All signed off

**AOB**

**TH** Heaters in the hall, works completed. **DR** emailed the manufacturer and they aren’t happy with the installation. **PG** to go back to the builder.

**TH** still to organise the fixed wiring inspection 3 quotes, at present has one.

**Next meeting 30th Jan 2023**

**Meeting ended 21.00**