

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF CILCAIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL AT THE CILCAIN
VILLAGE HALL ON 15 APRIL 2024.**

Present: Chairperson: Cllr Gareth W Hughes
Councillors: Cllr J Emyr Davies Malcolm Down
Ian Hughes Tim Mitchell
Karen Parker J V Worthington
The Clerk was also in attendance

1. CHAIRPERSON'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chairperson welcomed Members to the April Meeting. (Croeso i bawb i Gyngor Mis Ebrill) The Chair also welcomed one local residents (DF) to the Meeting. Chair welcomed County Councillor Andrew Parkhurst to the Council Meeting.

- 2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Cllr Pauline Douglas, Cllr John Doyle, Cllr Gwenda Hardman, Cllr Michael Parr, Cllr Christine Vaughan.
Cllr Karen Parker had made arrangements for Cllr Michael Parr to join the meeting on line. However, a technical problem had occurred and Cllr Michael Parr's connection was not made.

- 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - County Councillor Andrew Parkhurst referred to having an interest in the Maes Cilan bus turning item included in the correspondence list.

- 4. MINUTES OF LAST COUNCIL MEETING** (18March 2024) - Cllr John Worthington proposed, Cllr Ian Hughes seconded and all Members present agreed to approve the minutes subject to a modification on page 98 - where 12 Mill Terrace should have read No 10 Mill Terrace.

5. MATTERS ARISING HIGHWAY MATTERS

Neil's Action Plan dated (18 March 2024) - was considered:

- Item 2 Tre Lan culvert, Cilcain - Cllr Emyr Davies reported culvert completed but waiting for better weather to install an entrance grille. No change.
- Item 3 A541 Rhydymwyn fronting garage - Chair agreed with Neil's comment - work done.
- Item 7 Pen Lan culvert, Loggerheads Rd, Cilcain - Cllr John Worthington had spoken to Neil - waiting for a JCB to become available. No change.
- Item 8 Pedair y Groesffordd hedge cutting work will probably not now be done because of seasonal restrictions coming into place at the end of February. No change.
- Item 10 (a) Nant Alyn Road, Land Slip (the landslip referred to was near the Coed Du Hall Junction. Neil's comment was that this item was no longer an issue.

However, Cllr Tim Mitchell reported a crack developing along the edge of the last repair. Neil requested to monitor this cracking.

- -- (b) Chair referred to the reinstatement that was undertaken approx 80 m on the Rhydymwyn side of the Coed Du Hall junction which had started to settle again and the pot-hole on the edge of the re-instatement is getting bigger.
- Item 17 Faded white lines, various junctions. Indication required from Neil regarding the approximate timescale for this work to be done. Chair noted that 10 months had gone by since the item went on the Action list
- Item 18 Cilan Lodge Cilcain - seat base required. Clerk to remind Neil of the need for a concrete base. No change
- Item 19 Coed Du to Plas Wilkin, sweeping - Chair agreed with Neil's comment - work done.
- -- Chair reported that all the sweeping in Rhydymwyn had now been done
- Item 24 Hendre Village - Cllr Karen Parker reported that the path encroachment between the Royal Oak and Hendre village was getting worse and was now extremely dangerous to pedestrian using the highway footway. However, Neil's comment on item 24 was that the work had been done.
- -- Chair maintained that the confusion that arises on a number of the Action List items was less likely to occur if Neil was attending the meetings. Members agreed for the Clerk to request that Neil either attends Council meetings every three months or attend a site meeting in each village every three months.
- Item 30 Sweeping in Dolfechlas Road, Rhydymwyn - Chair and Cllr Tim Mitchell agreed that the sweeping from Llys Alyn up to Vista Alegre had now been done.
- Item 31 Coed Du to Plas Wilkin. Rhydymwyn - Chair agreed with Neil's comment that sweeping from Coed Du Farm as far as Plas Wilkin had been done.
- Item 32 Village to The Graig, Rhydymwyn - Chair agreed with Neil's comment that sweeping from the village to the Graig had been done.
- -- Hedge between playing field and cemetery. Chair requested that hedge between playing field and cemetery in Rhydymwyn be added to the Action List.
- Item 33 A541 Rhydymwyn garage to Rhosesmor Junction - Chair reported that the gulleys must be completely blocked. Surface water is now flowing right past all the gulleys in this section of the road, even in moderate rainfall. Neil to be informed of the position.

- Item 35 Berth Road, Cilcain. The sink hole opposite OT's shed had now been filled according to Neil's Action List. Cllr J Emyr Davies confirmed that the work was done last week.
- Item 36 Fechlas Brook between Hendre and Nant Road - Debris in Fechlas Brook passed on to Peter Ellis in NRW. Hedge overgrowth on Action List. Issue mentioned in the recent quarry liaison meeting.
- Item 37 Tyn y Caeau, Siamber Wen, Cilcain - Neil had passed the missing stop tap cover in the carriageway on to Welsh Water.
- Item 38 Pentre Road, Cilcain - Large pothole half way between The Nook and Tyddyn Mihangel (opposite St Michael's Well). Fairly constant flow of water crossing the carriageway. Neil's Action List indicated - works order issued
A solution for dealing with the seepage across the road was not obvious.

Additional items reported at the Council meeting that need adding to Neil's list:

- (1) Fforrest Farm junction - Cllr J Emyr Davies reported a substantial flow of water had been crossing the road for several weeks now. Solution again not obvious. Members noted the presence of a gulley system nearby on the Star Crossing side of the Fforrest Farm Junction. The problem could be due to a high water table.
- (2) Between Star Crossing and Fforrest Farm Junction (Opposite Tyn y Caeau entrance) Deep depression around a gulley grid. Depression located on a left hand bend, very close to the inner wheel track - pothole considered to be very dangerous.

Cllr Andrew Parkhurst had made Neil aware of Issue No 1 and issue No 2 above on a recent drive around the area with Mr Hickie.

- (3) Members noted that Neil inspects the roads for potholes once per month. Members assumed that gulley pots were cleaned out on a once per year basis. Clerk to request Neil to confirm that the Community Council's understanding of the maintenance policy is correct.
- (4) Three gulleys blocked near Winwood - Cllr Tim Mitchell reported the three gulleys near Winwood on the Playing Field side were all blocked. Members assumed either the gulleys needed cleaning out or the soakaway in the field needed checking.
- (5) Cllr Gareth Hughes reported a gulley blocked on the RHS of Nant Alyn Road, on the village side of the Graig
- (6) Plas Uchaf to Plas Newydd - Cllr Emyr Davies reported potholes.
- (7) Plas Uchaf to the Pistyll - Cllr Emyr Davies reported potholes.
- (8) Tre Lan to The Gors - Cllr Emyr Davies reported potholes.

- (9) A541 (Star Crossing to The Royal Oak) - two or three deep square significant sized potholes on the near side wheel track have developed in the last month.
- (10) New pot-hole repair machine - Cllr Parkhurst had been with Neil to see the repair work done by the new machine in Loggerheads Road. The repair done by the machine was good but one of the downsides with the equipment was that it used a lot of tarmac compared to the amount used in the traditional hand laying pothole repair work. Cllr Worthington maintained that the high tarmac consumption used by the pothole repair equipment should have been foreseen prior to making the investment.

6. MATTERS ARISING (NON HIGHWAY MATTERS)

- p99 Anti Social Behaviour and Criminal Activity, Cilcain - Cllr Karen Parker reported that there is no new information on the Police website for March 2024. The Clerk had sent all members the Police link again for criminal activity. None of the Members, apart from Cllr Parker had been able to find specific crime details for various parts or streets of the villages.
- p99 Solar Panels, Cilcain Village Hall - Since Cllr Gwen Hardman was not in attendance at the Council Meeting there was no new information available on this item.
- p99 Cilcain Shop - Chair and Cllr Karen Parker have a meeting scheduled for 6.30 pm on 24 April 2024 with the Hall Ctee and the Shop Ctee.
- p100 Cilcain cemetery - No new information available on this item.
- p100 Cilcain Play area - The Clerk reported that Flintshire is due to write to all Town and Community Councils to outline the arrangement for match funding grants for the 2024 / 2025 financial year. When the position regarding grants has been clarified, a site meeting can be arranged.
- p100 Cilcain Cemetery, leaning headstone - Chair had spoken to the Memorial Mason. Work to be done before the end of this week.
- p100 Street Lighting, Cilcain - No new information since the March Council meeting.
- p100 Hendre Quarry Liaison Meeting - Chair and Cllr Karen Parker reported that the meeting took place on Monday 8th April. Item discussed:
 - (a) Resident from Felin Newydd, Hendre was in attendance. Quarry Manager to make land enquiries.
 - (b) Plans are being drawn up for the landslip. Nant Road was scheduled to be closed to allow the ground water investigation to take place.
 - (c) Flooding reported by Ian Smith back in October 2023 was not discussed. Clerk to write directly to the Quarry Manager regarding this item.
 - (d) Wagons parking on the A541. Cllr Pauline Douglas had raised an item in the March Council meeting regarding the concern expressed by several Rhydymwyn villagers about a number of quarry wagons regularly parking along the A541 between the village and Nant Road. The parked wagons in close proximity to the bend at the Nant Road

/A541 junction created a potential traffic hazard. The Manager promised to look into this concern to see if a solution could be found to deal with the issue.

The Chair referred to two emails received from Community Councillors who felt the law was not being broken by the parked wagons. The Chair and the Members present felt there was a potential danger due to parking and overtaking close to a bend in the road junction at this point.

(e) Quarry Manager to take up the lack of effective sweeping of the A541 with GoPlant.

p100 Covid Snake - Cllr John Doyle had requested guidelines regarding the requirements for the Covid Snake. Clerk to seek views from Mr Richard Roberts in Flintshire. Chair confirmed there would be a plaque erected in due course to explain the background and mention the involvement of youngsters from Rhydymwyn and Hendre in the stone painting.

p100 River Alyn, Rhydymwyn - Tree in the River Alyn opposite the Sewage Treatment Plant. NRW had passed the issue on to Dwr Cymru (Ronnie Kelbrick). Clerk to pursue with Dwr Cymru and NRW.

p100 Roadside verge fenced off, Rhydymwyn - Clerk and Cllr Gwen Hardman to make the necessary enquiries with the Land Registry.

p101 32 Maes Cilan, Cilcain - Only one side of the tree had been taken down. Cllr Andrew Parkhurst had emailed Daniel Delaney to find out what the position was with taking the whole tree down.

p101 Lloyds Spar Quarry - Cllr Andrew Parkhurst expressed disappointment that he had not received a response from the Firm's Head Office. Cllr Parkhurst was now going to request local residents to make complaints to Lloyds Spar and include a copy to Flintshire CC, himself and the Community Council.

p101 Catch-pit full by the DEFRA bridge - Clerk to discuss the temporary storage option with NRW's Bangor Office (Mr Tim Owens).

p101 Footbridge at Nant Alyn, down river of the Caravan Park - Chair and Cllr Andrew Parkhurst reported that work had commenced but modifications are required to the current step up arrangement to the footbridge.

p101 Cefn Road / Nant Alyn Rd - Speed issues

Chair reported that an articulated vehicle had come down Nant Alyn from the Trimm Rock direction. The vehicle had been reported to the website provided by Flintshire CC. But since the arctic was gaining access to the Caravan Site, no legal action could be taken on that occasion.

The Chair was not aware of an effective solution to deal with the issue.

Cllr Karen Parker maintained that the two DHL wagons that went down Nant Alyn some time ago could have been reported, but at the time the Community Council or the local residents were not aware of the reporting website.

Cllr J V Worthington wondered if it was possible to contact the organisation that controls sat nav maps to see if the system can be adapted to warn vehicles of the constraints of using the lane. Chair and Vice Chair referred to the last occasion the Council encountered a similar problem at Brithdir Mawr Lane, where a local resident (BG) was able to obtain help from David Hanson at the time. Clerk to initially make enquiries with Flintshire Traffic Section.

Cllr Malcolm Down was of the opinion that there was no chance of altering Google maps. Cllr Malcolm Down maintained that since residents need to have deliveries made to properties in this section of road, one cannot control the vehicle which the transport firm uses to make the delivery.

The wide verge either side of the carriageway near Trimm Rock gave a false impression that the wide verge would still be available further along towards Rhydymwyn. The provision of fence posts in the verge may assist to give the impression the verge was going to become narrower.

Cllr Parkhurst reported that the fence suggestion was briefly discussed with Mr Richard Flood at the site meeting. Mr Flood had been reasonably receptive to the suggestion.

Chair requested Cllr Hughes and Cllr Worthington to assess the feasibility of providing the white posts option.

p102 Planning matters - Members noted that observations made by the Community Council had made a reference to the need for a Section 106 condition to be included in the planning condition.

Cllr Parkhurst had included a similar request as a County Councillor in his observations to the Planning Officer.

Members requested Cllr Parkhurst to monitor the application going to Flintshire Planning Ctee to ensure that the Planning Officer's report includes a section 106 reference in the recommended planning conditions.

p102 Rhydymwyn Flood Culvert Intake - Cllr Tim Mitchell reported on the site meeting with Mr Dafydd Roberts (NRW).

The suggestion put forward by Cllr Mitchell was to replace / modify the existing metal boundary fence at the back of the grille with a removable railing to make it easier for volunteers or NRW maintenance operatives to gain access to the top of the grille. Flood debris could then be removed during flood conditions by raking the grille through the handrail above the grille.

NRW was receptive to the suggestion and would make the necessary arrangements this year to implement the necessary modification works.

Cllr Mitchell also reported on the progress being made by NRW to install a remote camera in the grille area to allow remote monitoring of conditions during storms. In the same way as the

river gauge levels are available online, Members felt it would be useful if the camera information could be viewed online.

- p103 Cilcain School Bus - Cllr Parkhurst thanked the Community Council for writing to the residents in Maes Cilan. There had already been an improvement. Cllr Parkhurst was going to keep a diary for the next month to note the level of parking. Cllr Parkhurst would then present the information to Flintshire County Council.
- p104 Fechlas Brook, removal of the fence obstruction at the rear of The Institute. Clerk reported having reminded Mr Dafydd Roberts of the serious obstruction drawn to the attention of NRW in the 15 November 2023 river walk. Mr Roberts had responded that the obstruction had been forwarded to a maintenance Section in NRW. A swing gate across the brook had been suggested as a possible solution.
- p104 Vehicle parked in Cilcain village car park - Chairman reported that a response had been received from the vehicle owner. The Chair was disappointed to note that a local resident had recommended to the van owner that he parked his van in the village car park.

8. CORRESPONDENCE / COMMUNICATIONS / ITEMS DISCUSSED -

- 1) 19/03 Water works entrance, Rhydymwyn - Report and photo of mud and debris on entrance received from the Chairman - report forwarded to Welsh Water (Ronnie Kelbrick). Clearing work had not been done. Clerk to remind Welsh Water.
- 2) 20/03 Fechlas Brook, Rhydymwyn ('main river' status). Reminder sent to NRW regarding the obstruction to the brook due to a fence across the river. Item discussed earlier.
- 3) 20/03 Rhydymwyn flood relief culvert grille - Suggestion made by Cllr Tim Mitchell considered at the March Council meeting forwarded to NRW with a request for a site meeting. A site meeting took place on Monday 8 April. Item discussed earlier.
- 4) 21/03 Rhydymwyn War Memorial Institute - Thank you note and receipt from Ctee Treasurer for the £600 donation to assist with renovation works. Position noted.
- 5) 22/03 Vehicle parked in village car park. Letter sent to vehicle owner. Item discussed earlier.
- 6) 24/03 Cilcain Bowling Club - Thank you note from Club Secretary for the Council's donation to assist with essential maintenance of the green. Position noted.
- 7) 25/03 Response from the yellow van owner regarding the parking issue referred to in item dated 22/03 above. Item discussed earlier.
- 8) 26/03 Photo of the vehicle referred to item dated 22/03. Van now being parked on Pentre Road. Item discussed earlier.
- 9) 26/03 Debris in the Fechlas Brook (Main River) between the Coed y Felin/A541 junction and the Tarmac Quarry entrance (Nant Road).

Report and photos of debris in river received from Cllr Karen Parker sent to NRW (Peter Ellis). Copy of the email to NRW to be forwarded to Cllr Parker. Cllr Parker mentioned that the issue had been discussed in the recent Quarry Liaison meeting. Members noted that removing obstructions from the brook was the responsibility of the riparian owner. The Quarry Manager had indicated in the liaison meeting that he would make enquiries regarding land ownership.

Clerk to send a reminder to NRW.

Chair indicated that the Quarry Manager had indicated that he would keep the Community Council informed of the results of his land ownership enquiries.

- 10) 28/03 Standing water on carriageway at Dolfechlas Road / A541 Junction - Item reported by Chairman forwarded to Flintshire Streetscene. Position noted.
- 11) 01/04 A541, Rhydymwyn, (Service Station to Tarmac entrance) - Concern by Rhydymwyn resident (IS) regarding quarry wagons parking on the A541 to gain access to Tarmac Quarry on most mornings. Litter in verge and hedge. Chair and Cllr Parker raised the item in the Quarry Liaison Meeting that took place on Monday 08 April 2024. Item discussed in item (12) below.
- 12) 01/04 Concern received from Rhydymwyn resident (IS) regarding traffic congestion in Nant Road / A541 junction (Tarmac quarry entrance). Scan photos from the video clip submitted by the Rhydymwyn resident were included in the correspondence pack. Chair and Cllr Parker had raised the item in the recent Quarry Liaison meeting.

Cllr J Emyr Davies enquired why has this parking problem had suddenly raised its head. Chair explained that there had been closures in a number of nearby quarries resulting in pressure on Tarmac quarry for the supply of stone aggregate. The Hendre quarry had now become one of the busiest quarries in the area, selling approximately a million tons of limestone aggregates in a twelve month period.

Cllr J Emyr Davies expressed concern that Flintshire CC Planners had not taken a blind bit of notice of the observations made by the Community Council at the recent 25 yr planning extension stage about the alignment inadequacies at the Nant Road / A541 junction.

Cllr John Worthington commented that the quarry access road was very wide and asked why waiting wagons could not double park in the quarry access road. Chair and Cllr Parker indicated that the quarry has to take into account that access has to be maintained for the adjoining industrial estate and residential properties (Ruby Houses and Ruby Villas).

The quarry manager was going to contact wagon operators regarding the possibility of operating an arranged loading arrival time.

Emails had been received from Cllr John Doyle and Cllr Michael Parr regarding the issue. However, all Members present maintained that the parking of vehicles on the A541 close to the bend at the A541 / Nant Road junction constituted a potential danger to other road users.

- 13) 02/04 Parking of Quarry wagons on the A541, on the Rhydymwyn side of the quarry entrance. Comment received from Cllr Doyle regarding the concern expressed in the item dated 01/04 above. Item discussed earlier.
- 14) 02/04 Bereavement of Rhydymwyn resident - Chair reported that the Clerk had sent a very nice bereavement letter to a Rhydymwyn resident (PB) on behalf of the Community Council following the loss of her husband. Position noted.
- 15) 02/04 32 Maes Cilan, Cilcain - Information from Flintshire Streetscene regarding planned interruption to electricity supply to enable tree to be felled. Position noted.
- 16) 05/04 Possible dates for Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) consultation and revised Flintshire Housing Strategy & Action plan. Information from Flintshire Housing Strategy Manager. Members noted this assessment related to the renewal of the 5 year housing structure for the whole of Flintshire. The survey discussed for Rhydymwyn some twelve to eighteen months ago was a different arrangement. Position noted.

Chair reported odour from the Dolfechlas Road play area location on Sunday 14 April. Clerk to report to Dwr Cymru (Mr Ronnie Kelbrick).
- 17) 05/04 Pothole repair machine - photo of Flintshire's new JCB pothole repair equipment. Item discussed earlier.
- 18) 05/04 Quarry Wagons parked on the A541 waiting for access to Tarmac Quarry - Observations received from Cllr Michael Parr Item discussed earlier.
- 19) 06/04 Pothole repair machine - Flintshire CC's new machine in Loggerheads Road earlier this week. Observations received from Chairman regarding Flintshire's pothole repair machine. Item discussed earlier.
- 20) 07/04 Pothole repair machine - Flintshire CC's new machine in Loggerheads Road earlier this week. Observations received from Cllr Michael Parr regarding Flintshire's pothole repair machine. Item discussed earlier.
- 21) 08/04 Pothole repair - Information from Cllr Andrew Parkhurst regarding a meeting he was scheduled to have with Mr Neil Hickie on 09 April. Members noted that a video clip of the pothole repair machine in action could be viewed on the internet.
- 22) 09/04 Fechlas Brook, Rhydymwyn ('main river' status). Response received from NRW (Dafydd Roberts) regarding the obstruction to the brook due to a fence across the river. Item discussed earlier.

- 23) 09/04 Rhydymwyn flood relief culvert grille - Update following the site meeting attended by Dafydd Roberts (NRW) and Cllr Tim Mitchell on Monday 8 April. NRW to take the kee-klamp suggestion forward. Item discussed earlier.
- 24) 09/04 Maes Cilan, Cilcain - Letter posted to the Maes Cilan residents to request that they refrain from parking on the bus turning circle. Item discussed earlier.
- 25) 9/04 Nant Alyn, Rhydymwyn - Report received from Rhydymwyn Ward Member of sewage odour at the Coed Du Hall junction. This issue had occurred on a few occasions in the past. Clerk to report to NRW. In the previous smell complaint, the odour was attributed to the lack of maintenance of the nearby sewage treatment facility.
- 26) 15/03 Flintshire Streetscene Action Plan - For Members to comment on, and to add to as appropriate. Item discussed earlier.

Cllr Malcolm Down maintained that the highway reporting and discussion system is not working effectively with Mr Hickie not being in attendance.

Members agreed that Flintshire Streetscene should now be requested to reconsider its decision not to allow Neil to attend the Community Council on a regular basis. Clerk to enquire if Neil could either attend one Community Council meeting every three months or a site meeting with Neil be arranged every three months.

09. **PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS** - The accounts scheduled in the Appendix were approved for payment.
10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - The next meeting of the Council is scheduled to be held on the 20 May 2024. However, the Chair and Vice Chair reserve the right to change the date, having regard to the three clear working days statutory notice being given for any new date.

PAYMENT SECTION NOT FOR PUBLICATION UNTIL APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL

1. Payment of Accounts

(i)	A E (sal + fixed exp) for March 2024	665.85
(ii)	HMRC - PAYE (L.G.A.1972 S112) Confirmation of the BACS payment made	98.45
(iii)	Office Equipment and stationery - (L.G.A.1972 S111) (Invoices available at the Council Meeting)	139.99
(iv)	AE - web fee	18.00
(v)	Bloomin Gardens	230.00
(vi)	Scottish Power - street lighting energy (3 months)	938.26
(vii)	Transfer to Chairman's Account	300.00
(viii)*	Cilcain Village Hall - donation to assist with annual insurance premium	350.00
(ix)	Flintshire CC - Non domestic rate bill for Cilcain cemetery and premises.	97.23

*Item (viii) - £350 included in budget agreed in Jan 2024 Council Meeting.

Please Note: Payment for the above items being made by BACS - authorised by the following two signatories.

Chairman Vice Chair (or 2nd Councillor)

2. ACCOUNTS FOR 2023/2024 FINANCIAL YEAR

- (i) The computerised version of the Payments and Income and the Council’s ‘balance’ for the year ending 31 March 2024 was attached to this month’s Agenda. Members noted the ‘balance’ on 31 March 2024 was £29,139.38. (Balance at 31 March 2023 was £29,185.96). (Balance at 31 March 2022 was £32,846.64).
- (ii) The accounts will shortly be submitted to the Internal Auditor. The current system involves the Accounts being audited by the Internal Auditor prior to being considered and approved by the Community Council. However, the Council noted the following:
 - (iii) Risk Assessment - The Council approved its schedule of risk assessment which identified the risk, the potential consequence of risk, the assessment of impact, the likelihood of risk occurring and the controls in place to manage the risk.
- (iv) Council’s System of Internal Controls - The effectiveness of the Council’s system of internal controls was reviewed and approved.
- (v) Investment Strategy - The Council’s Investment Strategy was reviewed and approved.

- (vi) Standing Orders / Financial Regulations - The Council's Standing Orders and the Financial Regulations were approved by the Council.
- (vii) The Council approved the Council's Asset Register and approved the basis on which the Register was drawn up.
- (viii) The Council authorised the Clerk to appoint JDH, Business Services Ltd, Pantymwyn to undertake an internal audit of the Council's accounts. The Council to request the Internal Auditor to provide an updated statement to confirm their independence from the Council.
- (ix) The External Auditor would shortly be notifying the Council of the various target dates for the Annual Return process.

3. Current Council Bank Balance. Members noted that the closing balance in the Council's Bank Account on 08 April 2024 was:

Current Account: £68.10
 Deposit Account: £ 31,188.59

Dep. Acc. interest:
 2024 (Mar £46.29) (Feb £54.96) (Jan £56.41)
 2023 (Dec £42.40) (Nov £43.74) (Oct £42.26) (Sep £42.94) (Aug £40.61)
 (Jul £34.56) (June £33.51) (May £30.79) (April £30.04) (March £26.85) (Feb £21.53) (Jan
 £19.08) (Dec £15.52)

Chair ClerkDate