

**Little Bedwyn & Chisbury Parish Council Annual Meeting**  
**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7.30pm**  
**St Michael's Church**

**Those present:**

Cllr Ball (Chair), Cllr Preston, Cllr Brown, Cllr Wilson, Cllr Nokes

**Apologies:** Cllr Wheeler (Wiltshire Council), Cllr Weatherill (RFO)

There were 4 members of the public in attendance.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from Annual Meeting of May 8th 2023:** Proposed by Cllr Preston, seconded by Cllr Brown, unanimously approved.

- 2. Matters arising**

2.1 **Defibrillators:** Cllr Ball has had a conversation with a defibrillator supplier to establish the most appropriate solution for Little Bedwyn and Chisbury. This appears to be a battery-powered defibrillator that does not need a power supply and is straightforward to install; it is also one that can be used both for adults and children. The total cost of providing two defibrillators (one for Little Bedwyn and one for Chisbury) would be £2,770.

- 3. Chairman's Report**

Cllr Ball thanked the members of the Parish Council and the Clerk for their hard work over the past year.

The Parish Council did not organise a litter pick in autumn 2023 as turnout the previous year was significantly down on the first year that the litter pick was held. Cllr Ball noted that volunteers from the Great Bedwyn Footpaths Group had kindly picked up litter from some of the roads into Little Bedwyn, and that individuals in the villages also often pick up litter on their walks.

Phil Gray has resigned from the Parish Council; Cllr Ball thanked him for his work, including as Treasurer of the Little Bedwyn Playing Field Trust. The Council unanimously approved a vote of thanks.

- 4. RFO's Report (delivered by the Chairman in Cllr Weatherill's absence)**

4.1 The Council discussed the Certificate of Exemption. The Council certified itself as exempt and subsequently completed the Certificate of Exemption.

4.2 The Council were presented with the Annual Internal Audit Report for 2023/24; approval of the report was proposed by Cllr Nokes, seconded by Cllr Brown, and unanimously approved. The Council thanked the internal auditor for the work undertaken.

4.3 The Annual Governance Statement 2023/24 was presented to the Council; approval of the AGS was proposed by Cllr Nokes, seconded by Cllr Brown and unanimously approved. The AGS was signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

4.4 The Accounting Statements 2023/24 were presented to the Council; approval of the Accounting Statements was proposed by Cllr Nokes, seconded by Cllr Wilson, and unanimously approved. The Accounting Statements were signed by the Chairman.

4.5 The Chairman presented the RFO's report for the year, including the grants made over the financial year:

- Little Bedwyn Playing Field Trust: £350
- St Michael's PCC: £350

- St Katharine's CoE School: £300
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- The Bedwyns Link Scheme: £200
- Bedwyn Trains Passenger Group: £250
- Great Bedwyn CoE School: £300
- Pewsey Community Area Partnership: £250
- Little Bedwyn and Chisbury Street Market and Coronation celebration: £500

The Annual Meeting ended at 7.50pm.