CHIRNSIDE COMMON GOOD ASSOCIATION Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 8th December 2021 via video link.

Apologies: Annette Scobie, Anne Robertson.

Linda Gray(secretary), Mark Kinghorn, Susan Swan, Maureen Anderson, David Wesley, Kerry Collins, Josh Oldfield,

Minutes: Minutes of the previous meeting were circulated prior to the meeting and approved as correct by the members present.

Finance: Treasurer circulated his report prior to the meeting – We have received the grant from Fallago Rig of £2500. Tree planting the £750 will be paid to us once the trees are planted. Treasurer and Secretary met the solicitor at Hasting Legal re the land transfer, we are waiting from a quote from him for the work. He advised of the worst-case scenario i.e., if any boundary disputes which could prolong the action and be more costly if no word from him in the next few day will need to contact him as we have a shut of date of 31st March 2022. The committee approved the increase of £1000 to the contingency fund of £2000 for this work.

Matters arising:

Winding up of CGA: the big issue will be getting the land transfer done in time. Once we receive a quote, we will be able to proceed. Treasurer is in the process of moving our fund from RBS to the Co-op Bank he is also closing the now unused PayPal account. A big vote of thanks was given to Kevin for his hard work in progressing the changeover.

Village enhancement -

Tennis court -Sara got another quote for the proposed work at the tennis court of £1500 for the fence with the same amount for resurfacing. Sara will get another detailed quote for comparison. This project is still ongoing as we need to source more funding. Sara heard of a company who would help with funding, but they take a cut. Scottish tennis association only fund registered tennis clubs.

CGA Park: trees still waiting to hear from Cheviot Trees Simon will contact him he will also contact the surrounding neighbours to advise them about the tree planting in the park.

Quarry: still ongoing the willow is growing well will plant them in the Spring with the help of the nursey school children.

East end orchard: all the pruning work has been done thank to Ian for this. The blown tree has been cut up waiting for SBC to bring the chipper in to deal with the branches.

Benches: Thanks to Ian for refurbishing the benches on the loaning. He will look at the one on the ford road.

Bike repair stands: Deborah has been trying to source funding for a bike repair stand she spoke to the leader of SBC as a result has three groups willing to help She will move this on further in the new year.

Electric Car: Kevin and Josh had a meeting with BAVS re the electric car project Julianna is keen for CGA to be involved with the project. BAvs have funding to provide a private charger the main issues are we would need a building for the charger to go on. Josh offered Southview building as its at the crosshill car park.

After discussion with his trustees, they are keen to help the village and support green energy but had some concerns about insurance implication, running costs, safety issues, power supply. Julianna confirmed this was very much a pilot scheme. Agreed we still support the project but need more information.

Any other business:

Who are we – Kevin sent out a document informing the members of our aims etc. entitled Who we are what we do?

Christmas light – the switch on went ahead despite the poor weather thanks to Josh for the use of Southview as a shelter.

Next meeting – will be Wednesday 9th February 2022