

## CHIRNSIDE COMMON GOOD ASSOCIATION (SCIO)

Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.30pm  
via video link

**Apologies:** Josh Oldfield, Hollie Crowe, Mark & Muriel Kinghorn,

**Attendees:** Sara Doggett(Chair), Kevin Prior(Treasurer), Linda Gray (Secretary)  
Susan Swan, Maureen Anderson, Simon Wright, David Wesley, Adele Kerr,  
Sophie Hannant.

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

**Finance:** accounts circulated prior to meeting were approved and accepted as  
correct at the meeting items raised by Treasurer - £27.00 for hall lets paid. £The  
outstanding advert fee from the newsletter has been paid. Still to receive £5.00  
or £6.00 from Amazon smile.

Funds £6,282.97 (unrestricted)  
4,510.10 (restricted)

Overall outcome General Fund income up to 28.2.2023 £3,127.98 expenditure  
£3,956.11 deficit £828.13. Some of the grants received last year were spent in  
this year. Also had legal fees of £2,000 which we won't incur again.

Swap and Share and ink jet doing well by providing small contributions to  
general funds. Newsletter is continuing to breakeven.


Windfarm people may be able to give a donation to the cost of the resurfacing  
of the tennis court but unable to pick up the total cost. They suggest we retry  
SCB Community Fund which is usually oversubscribed. Will keep looking for  
funds.

**Tennis Court:** we need £17,500 to completely resurface the court. Susan spoke  
to The Park Tennis association to see if they could help sadly our tennis court  
does not fit the criterial we have only one court needs to be a package of 4 or 5  
courts. If we had been eligible Park Scotland would refurbish then the local  
council would take on the maintenance.

Sara has spoken to John about the Basketball hoops which are still to be  
installed he said the one we intend to purchase would be suitable for the site.  
Sara will order have it delivered to John ready for installation. There is still  
£2,000 left from the Co-op grant. We still need to raise fund for the storage  
shed we could at a pinch use the general funds.

**Berwickshire Green Route:** still going through the bureaucracy. BGR are  
encouraging Community Councils to attend the Webinar funding if available  
from Sustrans to help improve the existing routes.

**East End Orchard:** Simon held a meeting with Neil Pringle (SBC) and Ian Brown (volunteer) to discuss work that was required. Trees need a protective barrier of stakes round them also some mulch. Hedging plants and trees available for the north corner of the boundary near the cottage. The volunteers are now covered by the CC liability insurance.

**CGA Park:** still to fix a date with P7 to do the much round the trees. The oak tree will be planted by the  Gala Queen in the quarry on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March.

**Play equipment:** a site meeting with SBC and CC to look at the requirements for new play equipment there is £65,000 to be spent. SBC only use one supplier this money will not go far so need to get the right equipment. Need to look at all three sites Common Good Park, Wind ram Park and Lammerview. Developer contribution from the Springfield site will not be available for a while.

**Litter Pick:** was very successful a good turnout of helpers including the junior football team. Hollie from the Berwickshire Anti-Litter group is hoping to conduct litter pick in various places and asked to borrow our pickers and hoops. The committee approved the loan of 10 pickers and 5 hoops secretary will contact Hollie re collection from Sara.

**School parking** still issues due to the number of cars on Tuesday cars were parked on both sides on the Kirkgate. Police will attend to assess the situation. The idea is to encourage the pupils to walk to school particularly the village children. This has been an issue for 25 years.

**Coronation:** an event will be held on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> of May to mark the Coronation of King Charles 111 will take the form of a coffee morn/tea Crown making and crafting for the children. Community Council can apply to SBC for funding to help with the event.

**Civic Week:** will be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> May this year. Their committee have asked to borrow our trestle tables after discussion the committee approved the loan. Susan will be available for the opening speech. They also asked for a donation committee agreed to £50.00.

**Any other business –**

**Village tubs and planters –** discussed the maintenance of the various tubs and planters Susan will look after the Allanton Road one Kevin the Ford Road. The large stone bed at East End need replanting SBC unable to supply plants We have a small fund for plants (no invoiced before the 1<sup>st</sup> of April please)

**Brownies:** have asked permission to plant a tree to make the coronation in the CGA park committee agreed to this a site near the existing planting will be allocated.

**Next meeting –** Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April at Community Centre when the Account will need to be approved. We are legally obliged to publish the date of the AGM one month before.

