

Annual Meeting of Electors 3rd April 2023

Present

Alderman Peter Tyzack (Chairman) and Jonathan Edwardes (Parish Clerk)

Also present

Sue Binns, Mike Pruett, Kevin Weeks, Nick Davies, Richard Edwards, Gary Sheppard, Gillian Cox, Heather Rickards and Ian S Roberts. Two further residents of the parish

Apologies

Carol Woodhouse,

Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Annual Parish Meeting, explaining that this is an opportunity for residents to speak about any topic they wished. The Chairman took to opportunity, on behalf of the resident of the parish, to thank the Parish Councillors for all their hard work, particularly those Councillors that will be standing down at the upcoming election.

Coronation Benches

The Parish Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council had resolved to buy two benches one for Pilning and another for Severn Beach to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III. These should be in place near to the Coronation date.

WECA Buses

Although the introduction of a new "as required" bus service by the West of England Combined Authority is broadly welcomed. There do appear to be some teething issues. Firstly, that the area is divided into three arbitrary zones, making cross zone transport difficult and secondly for a journey from Northwick to Pilning Station the bus ran empty from Bath.

Litter Noted that there is a constant battle against littering and fly tipping.

Cross Hands

Residents wanted to know an update on the status with the former pub and any action being taken by South Gloucestershire Council. Court case is ongoing.

M49 J1 The question was asked if there was any update on the Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO) for the M49 J1. There is one small plot of land that has no identifiable owner and this is likely to be subject to a CPO. All other land is in the process of being acquired by normal negotiation.

A403 The worsening state of the A403 was mentioned and is there any money from South Gloucestershire Council to repair the road.

With no further business the meeting closed at 7:18pm

Minutes approved at a full Parish Council meeting on May 15th 2023.