

Annual Parish Meeting for Whitchurch South and Stanton St Gabriel

Held: 7:30pm on 5th May 2022 in the James Hargreaves Hall, Morcombelake

Present: Councillors: Andrew Carey, Christopher Noon

Residents: Helen Halkes, Avril Sherring, Debbie Hewson

As per regulations, there was no agenda.

The first action was to elect a meeting 'manager' – Cllr. Noon.

Councillors Carey and Noon gave a brief summary of local parish council activities and events affecting the local area in the previous year.

There was a general discussion on the concerns and suggestions from local residents with the following main points:

- 1) The Char Valley Parish Council should advertise the local Resilience Plan
- 2) Where can emergency services safely land a helicopter for those times when vehicular access is not sufficient (Helen Halkes offered to talk to a contact in the NHS who later advised that we should contact Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance Service.)
- 3) A defibrillator would be welcome at the village hall but its location is not agreed
- 4) Concern over what is happening to the Moore's Bakery site in Morcombelake
- 5) Is it possible to get a dial-a-ride scheme for transport to and from Bridport – perhaps sponsored by the Bridport supermarkets
- 6) Can CVPC erect a notice board at the east end of Morcombelake as many residents visit Felicity's farm shop but no longer have any reason to visit the current noticeboard locations, especially with the traffic on the A35 splitting the village?

Meeting closed at 9:30pm