

**HUNTON PARISH  
COUNCIL  
ANNUAL OPEN MEETING  
held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 8pm in the Village  
Hall**

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Date: 20th May 2024

<b>Present:</b>	Cllr R Wyatt Cllr R Smith, Cllr R Worsdale, Cllr J Wylie Cllr W Knight  Kathleen Allison – Treasurer Dee Lynn – Clerk	Chair
<b>Items</b>	<b>Recording of Meeting</b>	<b>Actions</b>
<b>Item 1</b>	<b>Election of Chairman</b> Proper Officer Dee Lynn opened the meeting at 8.00pm and invited nominations for the post of Chairman. Cllr Knight proposed Cllr Smith for Chairman and this was seconded by Cllr Wylie . Cllr Smith confirmed he would accept the nomination.  Cllr Smith thanked Cllr Wyatt for his service to the Parish Council. I'd like to thank Cllr Wyatt for his 13 years of service as Chairman of the Parish Council, but in my view a simple thank you doesn't go far enough.  The village owes a huge dept of gratitude to him, he has overseen and delivered a countless number of projects that has made Hunton what it is today.  I spoke to a resident recently who said when they moved to the village about 15 years ago, the village as they put it looked a little' tired and unloved'.  Robert has overseen the installation of the new play park equipment in 2015, the replacement of 'tired' swings, a completely 'warn out' adventure trail, the surfacing of the village hall car park, a makeover of the War Memorial and most recently the replacement of the wooden footbridge, albeit at a cost slightly higher than the £120 of the original !  I put it to him one day that we should have a look at improving the drainage on the play park, his immediate response was "We	

	<p>can do that”, and for me that sums up our departing Chairman, he simply has the drive to get things done.</p> <p>Back in my working career ,the fancy HR departments of the day would use what was called Belbin’s theory, a way to categorise and describe the type of worker you were. Robert would without doubt be tagged as the ‘ completer finisher’, and although he is not completely finished with the Parish Council, he will be a very hard act to follow.</p> <p>I hope I speak on behalf of all the village , thanking you for those endless hours applying for grant applications , all the unseen manual hours doing odd maintenance jobs around and about and for leaving behind a far better village from when you started your role as Chairman .</p>	
<b>Item 2</b>	<b>Apologies</b> none	
<b>Item 3</b>	<b>Minutes from Previous Meeting 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023</b> Cllr Wyatt confirmed minutes are a true reflection of previous meeting and was seconded by Cllr Wylie.	
<b>Item 4</b>	<b>Chairman’s Annual Report</b> Cllr Wyatt’s annual report of May 2024 had been circulated to all and copies available at the meeting and a copy is attached to minutes and will be posted on website and in noticeboard.	
<b>Item 5</b>	<b>Financial Report</b> The Treasurer had circulated a financial report and copies were available at the meeting. The Treasurer drew the meetings attention to the grants and donations received this year. The assets register will be updated to include works to Greenacres island. The Annual Governance Review (AGAR) statement had been circulated and the meeting agreed the accuracy of the statement and the year end financial statement was approved as a true representation of accounts. The Treasurer was thanked for her reports.	
<b>Item 6</b>	<b>Questions from Public</b> None. Meeting closed at 8.20pm	

Dee Lynn  
On behalf of Hunton PC

Signed Chairman      Date \_\_\_\_\_

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