MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD ON THURSDAY 25TH APRIL 2024 AT 19:30 HOURS IN BACKWELL PARISH HALL, BACKWELL

PRESENT: Parish Cllrs S Ould (Chairman), H Power, P Ramos, B Harland, D Lloyd, K Barclay and R Taylor, plus approximately 12 members of the public. Mrs C Melton (Temporary Clerk to the Council), Mrs L Galpin (Office Assistant) and Ms H MacCallum-New (Temporary Office Support)

The Chairman welcomed the electors to the 127th Annual Parish Meeting of Electors of Backwell Parish and confirmed that Notice convening the meeting had been displayed in the Parish for more than 7 days as required by legislation.

1. APOLOGIES

001 Cllrs P Harris, M Bowerman and C Hatcher.

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH MEETING

002 The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Electors held on Thursday 27th April 2023 were confirmed as a correct record by those present at that meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

003 Three questions were submitted prior to the Meeting and were responded to by Cllr Ould on behalf of the Council. Questions related to a new Neighbourhood Plan, potential Local Green Space at Farleigh Fields and Community Infrastructure Levy.

4. BACKWELL PARISH HALL – To appoint 4 Trustees

004 Mr Bill Churnock, Mr Andrew Stagg, Mr Christopher Elliott and Mr Christopher McMahon were duly appointed as Trustees to Backwell Parish Hall

5. BACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL – Presentation on becoming a Parish Councillor

005 Cllr Lloyd gave a presentation about being a Parish Councillor. There are currently four vacancies on the Parish Council.

6. BACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL – Presentation on Precept increase for 2024/25

006 Cllr Taylor gave a presentation on the Precept increase for 2024/25.

7. BACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL - Financial Report year ended 31st March 2024

007 Cllr Taylor gave a presentation on the Financial position of the Parish Council for the 2023/24 financial year.

8. BACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL

008 a) Chairman's report

Cllr Ould gave her report as Chairman of the Parish Council (see Appendix 1)

009 b) List of grants awarded to local organisations by Backwell Parish Council for the 2024/25 financial year

Cllr Ould read a list of all the grants awarded for 2024/25 (see Appendix 2). All grants will be paid by bank transfer this year with one exception. This exception was paid by cheque which was presented by Cllr Ould and accepted by a representative from the organisation.

010 At this point, Cllr Lloyd gave thanks to Cllr Ould for all her hard work as Chairman this year.

011 The meeting closed at 20:25 hours

Dated this day of 2025