

# FINANCE MINUTES

The Charing Parish Council's Finance Committee held their meeting on **8<sup>th</sup> April 2024 @19.30**

1.	Apologies: D Gudge In attendance: Chair D Bennett; RFO J Munro; J Strike; C Prinn & the clerk
2.	The minutes of the Finance meeting held on 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 minutes agreed.
3.	Matters arising from the meeting held on the 5 <sup>th</sup> of February 2024: Hall charges: unanimously agreed to increase the hiring charges due to continuous increases in utility , cleaning supplies ; staff wages for cleaning the hall and general maintenance .The increase in costs over the last 5 years have increased from 65% to 237%. The Royal Oak :The clerk will check with ABC to whether. The owner can refuse entry for a survey conducted. Communications Committee (Chair)Cllr White has taken over from Cllr Bennett as chair of the. communications committee.
4.	Year End Accounts, (reserves)These were agreed .
5.	Assets grant DB: the clerk will. Forward the details onto the Oak committee.
6.	Play Area costs new swing: The clerk has obtained a grant to cover the cost of the new swing unit in Piquets.
7.	AOB
	Date of Next Finance Meeting Monday 13th July 2024.