CHAFFCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

NOTES ATTACHED TO THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR

THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2023

- 1. The statement of accounts has been prepared as a receipts and payments account as required.
- 2. The clerk is designated as the Proper Officer and Responsible Financial Officer of the Council. Since 1st May 2011 the Clerk has been Mrs Sue Morley, 43 Butts, Ilminster, Somerset TA19 0AY.
- 3. Parish Councils are now required to register with HMRC and collect PAYE on salary payments to Clerks unless alternative arrangements have been made to collect the tax.
- 4. The Orchard Plot and War Memorial was donated to the parish in 1935 and is managed by trustees who are the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish and the Parish Council. The Parish Council pay for the upkeep of the Orchard Plot and War Memorial and cover the area through their insurance policy. The trustees have agreed that payments for the upkeep are paid direct by the Parish Council.
- 5. The Pound was donated to the village by 'Deed of Gift' and is managed by the Parish Council.
- 6. The Parish Council owns the former BT telephone box which is converted into a library of local information, a small wooden bench, one notice board and a 50% share with the Village Hall of a second notice board.
- 7. The Parish Council started funding a village website in 2012.
- 8. The Parish Council has a lease with the owner of the land on which the Water Wheel stands. Four years ago fundraising for maintenance of the Water Wheel was started to ensure it is preserved for the Village. Any money which is raised for the Water Wheel is held as restricted funds. No funds were raised this year but money was spent on maintenance of the Wheel.
- 9. A donation was received for £1,000 in 2020 for work on the drains and flood prevention. £200 was spent on the drains in that financial year. The Council holds the £800 remaining from the donation.
- Funds were collected for the Ukraine appeal at the Jubilee event in July, at a coffee morning and on Remembrance Sunday. These funds were transferred to Chard Nightingale.
- 11. The Village Hall is a registered charity and is managed by a Village Hall Committee who are the trustees. The Parish Council nominates one trustee.