NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Phoenix Hall On Thursday, 24th November, 2022 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT	Cllr. R. Ayling	Chairman
	Cllr. D. Burke	Vice-Chairman
	Cllr. F. Collison	
	Cllr. C. Coslett	
	Cllr. P. Mackay	
	Cllr. Mrs. P. Perry	
	Cllr. S. Perry	
In Attendance	Cllr. Ian Blair-Pilling	Wiltshire Councillor
	Mrs. Mary Towle	Clerk of the Council

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public were present

REPORT BY WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR

Cllr. Ian Blair-Pilling reported there is a new application for the land at the corner of Pigott Close and the A345. He will call it in to Committee if the Planning Officer is minded to approve the application.

The request by Netheravon Parish Council to review the parish boundary is going ahead. Meetings between the parishes to agree the boundary will be arranged shortly.

There is still no news on the request by Netheravon Parish Council for a reduction in the speed limit on the A345.

Cllr. Blair-Pilling was asked to follow up the request for a bus stop at the top of Whitesheet Hill west side of the road.

COMMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr. Ayling thanked everyone who supported the Avon Valley Parishes Skittles evening. It was a very good evening and an opportunity to network with other parishes along the Valley. Unfortunately it was proved that skittles is not Netheravon's strength and they won the wooden spoon.

22/60 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllrs: Brian Covil and Maureen Mitchell

22/61 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declaration of Interests

22/62 <u>MINUTES</u>

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 27th October 2022 be accepted as a true record.

22/63 FINANCE

1. Authorisation of Cheques

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the cheques for October/November 2022.

Payroll	£1017.79
Mrs. M. Towle – Use of home as office	£30.00
SSE	£54.01
Avon Security – trophy	£41.60
Playsafety – RoSPA inspection	£369.60
Hurdcott Landscapes	£524.15
British Legion	£100.00
Wiltshire Council – speed assessment	£625.00
Wessex Water	£109.55
Mrs. M. Towle – engraving, Viking Direct	£71.68

2. Bank Reconciliation

The Balance at the Bank as at 1st November, 2022 is £25,578.82

22/64 COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Planning

Cllr. Coslett reported that there were 2 new planning applications

PL/2022/08411	TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA Reduction of crown of 2 conifer trees and removal of 3 conifers. This work would allow light into an adjoining property. At the Vicarage, High Street. Parish Council Comments: No objections
PL/2022/08709	FULL PLANNING PERMISSION for construction of 2 detached 4 bed dwellings at land off Pigott Close. This land has planning permission for 2 semi-detached 3 bed dwellings. Netheravon Parish Council objected to this planning application, but it was subsequently approved. A planning meeting to discuss the new application will be arranged. Parish Council Comments:

2. Flooding and Adverse Weather

Nothing to report

3. Highways (plus Parish Steward)

The Clerk reported that the Parish Steward did a very good job clearing around the War Memorial before Remembrance Sunday. She has reported the missing HGV sign and Wiltshire Council confirmed that they are aware of this and will replace it in due course. The footpath between Old Post Office Lane and the Dog and Gun has been examined by Wiltshire Council and they report that the potholes are not large enough for their intervention.

The Clerk will ask Cllr. Covil to contact the Parish Steward to look at the grips along Stagg's Lane as it floods frequently and the water does not run away.

4. LHFIG

There has been no further word about the application to lower the speed limit along the A345.

5. Cemetery /Enhancement

The Clerk reported Commonwealth War Graves Commission will be putting a sign on the Cemetery Gate.

6. Recreation

Cllr. Ayling reported that the RoSPA report is in and that an action plan will be drawn up in due course.

7. Allotment

It was agreed that the vacant allotment on the Dog and Gun site can be taken by a current allotment holder.

It was agreed that the vacant allotment on the Pigott Close site could be allocated for a Community Allotment if volunteers are found.

8. Rights of Way

It was agreed that the acquisition of the field at Corfe End Lakes will be put on hold for the present.

22/65 REPORT FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GROUPS

a. Phoenix Hall

Cllr. Perry reported that the bank account for the Phoenix Hall is healthy, but that the money has been allocated for new projects and refurbishment. The bookings continue to hold steady.

b. Stonehenge Area Board

The next Stonehenge Area Board will be on 15th December. Cllr. Burke and Cllr. Ayling agreed to attend.

c. Jubilee Committee

It was reported that there will be a meeting in the New Year to discuss having a 'Music in the Park' to celebrate the Coronation in May 2023.

22/66 PROPOSAL TO ASK FOR ONE-WAY SYSTEM IN MILL ROAD

It was suggested that there should be a roundabout at the top of Mill Lane which could help to lower the speed of motorists and will help with the safety of exiting Mill Road onto the A345. Cllr. Ayling agreed to draw up a plan which will be sent to LHFIG.

22/67 <u>**REPORT</u>** by the Clerk</u>

- The Clerk is getting a quotation for the repair of the safety surfacing in Court Farm Play Ground.
- It was agreed to defer the decision to put electricity and water in the Millennium Park because of the ongoing cost of the standing charges.
- The Clerk has written to Salisbury Reds requesting a bus stop at the top of Whitesheet Hill, west side. She has asked Cllr. Blair-Pilling to intervene.
- The Clerk has reported obscured lights in Vicarage Gardens and faulty street lights in Choulston Farm Road.
- A working party for putting up the Christmas tree was arranged.

22/68 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Community Governance Review. Online survey has been passed to all councillors.

All email correspondence from Wiltshire Council has been forwarded to Councillors

22/69 GENERAL PARISH MATTERS

- A meeting about the Community Larder will be arranged. It is hoped that it will be open before Christmas
- It was reported that there is dog fouling around the Village. Clerk to put item in the next Newsletter
- It was agreed that a Christmas meal would be arranged at the Dog and Gun after Christmas on 16th February.

22/70 DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING 12th January, 2023 at 7.00pm in the Phoenix Hall.

22/71 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

It was **RESOLVED** that in the interest of the public, the next item of business be dealt with as Confidential Business, and the press and public be excluded.

22/72 <u>CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR</u>

It was **RESOLVED** Alan Brown be co-opted onto the Council at the next meeting.

22/73 <u>REVIEW OF STAFF WAGES</u>

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would be paid in line with the National Salary Award 2022/23 which will be backdated to April 2022.

Other staff are paid the Minimum Wage which is automatically raised in April each year.

Signed.....Chairman Date.....