

# NETHERAVON, HAXTON & FITTLETON NEWSLETTER

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### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### March 2023

4 <sup>th</sup>	10am – 1pm	Monthly Market	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
4 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm	Fittleton Church Spring Quiz	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
7 <sup>th</sup>	7:30pm	Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council Mtg	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
9 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	Enford Gardening Club – My Greenhouse Year	Enford Village Hall
16 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm	Netheravon Annual Parish Meeting	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
20 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	Victoria Walsh book launching	Pewsey Heritage Centre
26 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Friends of Netheravon School PTFA Bingo	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
29 <sup>th</sup>	6pm	Salisbury Hospital Constituency Meeting	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon

#### April 2023

1 <sup>st</sup>	10am – 1pm	Monthly Market	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon
30 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Friends of Netheravon School PTFA Bingo	Phoenix Hall, Netheravon

### MINI DIRECTORY

(01980 unless otherwise stated)

Phoenix Hall Bookings (Pam/Steve Perry)	670021
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## Avon River Team Services for March 2023

Parish\Date	March 5	March 12	March 19	March 26
Bulford	11.00 HC CW		10.30 Family Service	11.00 HC CW
Durrington	9.30 Fun Church		9.30 HC CW	9.30 Informal HC
Enford	9.30 HC CW		9.30 Breakfast Church	6.00 Evensong
Figheldean	11.00 Morning Worship		11.00 HC CW	11.00 Breakfast Church
<b>Fittleton</b>	<b>With Netheravon</b>	<b>10.30 Team Service</b>	<b>6.00 Evensong</b>	
Milston	9.30 HC BCP		9.30 HC BCP	9.30 Matins
<b>Netheravon</b>	<b>11.00 HC CW</b>		<b>With Fittleton</b>	<b>11.00 Morning Worship</b>

Each Wednesday at 10.00 HC at Bulford

Each Thursday at 10.30 HC at Durrington

For details of Sunday ZOOM Service see the Avon River Team web site.

HC – Holy Communion; BCP – Book of Common Prayer



## FITTLETON CHURCH FUNDRAISING SPRING QUIZ!

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March

Phoenix Hall

From 6.30pm

Sharpen your wits and come along!

Ticket price £10 each (tables of 6)

includes supper and a glass of wine

Tickets in advance: [robreames@hotmail.com](mailto:robreames@hotmail.com)



**Save the Date!**

**Sunday 7th May**

**12:30 - 17:30,**

**King Charles' Coronation  
Celebration**

Millenium Park, Netheravon

Music, BBQ, entertainment  
lucky programme and Raffle.

***Donations for the raffle would be  
very much appreciated!***

**Contact Margaret Sleeman:**

**07884 147286**



## Looking ahead

- \* A bus station is where a bus stops.
- \* A train station is where a train stops.
- \* My desk is my work station ...

One day the work will stop. I don't mean retirement because that comes with more than its fair share of work... just a different kind of work. No, I mean one day, in this life, everything will come to an end. In the Season of Lent we are reminded... ashes to ashes, dust to dust.

Some people believe in heaven, or an after-life or even a reincarnated life. Some believe there will be nothing. Pascal the mathematician, philosopher and all-round clever clogs, said that if you were a betting person on the existence of God, you'd better wager on God being there than not. If God isn't there it doesn't matter. If God is... then you win.

If God is there, as you die, what will you say? Sorry Lord, I messed up, please forgive me... Or, thank goodness for that, I've been looking forward to heaven all my life... I think I will say, words to the effect of... thank you Jesus that you died for me and I am able to stand in this holy place through your loving grace.

On the subject of our mortality, your parish church is here for everyone in our community, especially in times of grief and loss. We have a deeply compassionate Staff team all highly able to work with any family to take you through it all. We do Services in church, by a graveside or at a crematorium. We can offer thanksgiving services for people if a loved one has chosen to be cremated directly without a Service. Such a choice saves money, but it often fails to meet the need of those grieving.

Ministering to people in bereavement is of course not just a one-off event, it is ongoing pastoral care and support, provided by the local church.

Every blessing,

**Rev Philip Bromiley (Team Rector)**

### Lent Lunches

Do join us for a simple soup lunch, between 12noon and 1.30pm, and support Christian Aid.

**Date**

**Venue**

1<sup>st</sup> March

Camilla Hall, St Leonard's Church, BULFORD SP4 9DB

8<sup>th</sup> March

No Lunch this week

15<sup>th</sup> March

Old School Hall, DURRINGTON SP4 8HP

22<sup>nd</sup> March

Phoenix Hall, NETHERAVON SP4 9PJ

29<sup>th</sup> March

Old School Hall, DURRINGTON SP4 8HP

5<sup>th</sup> April

Enford Church, ENFORD SN9 6DJ

## ENFORD GARDENING CLUB

**Gillian Taylor – “My Greenhouse Year” Thursday 9th March 2023**

**7.00 for 7.15 pm ENFORD VILLAGE HALL**

Bring and buy plant stall. Raffle, Tea and coffee, entry £5

Everyone Welcome!

Further details from Steve Stringer 07899 758222

email: [steve.stringer@outlook.fr](mailto:steve.stringer@outlook.fr)

## Changes to parking at Salisbury Hospital

As of Monday February 6, patient and visitor car parks are controlled by Automatic Number Plate Recognition ANPR cameras, which capture vehicle registrations as you drive onto the hospital site. When you return to your vehicle, enter your vehicle registration number into the car park pay terminal, located inside the car park and pay for the time used. Payment can be made with cash, bank card, including contactless, or via **mobile phone app**. Payment machines do not give change.

### Grace period

There is a 30-minute grace period for vehicles; this allows time to pick up and drop off items or people and the vehicle owner will not be charged. If they are getting close to the 30-minute mark, they are asked to please enter their vehicle registration number at a payment machine to be sure that they are within the time limit. Drivers can take advantage of several grace periods in a day as long as they are no longer than 30 minutes, i.e. they can drop off in the morning and pick up in the afternoon.

### Charges:

Car parking charges apply 24 hours a day.

Up to 2 hours **£2.70**

Up to 4 hours **£4.50**

Up to 6 hours **£6.50**

Up to 24 hours **£8.00**

### APCOA APP - Want to skip the queues?

Cashless parking is available.

1. Download the APCOA connect app on your mobile device
2. Enter the location code - 2759
3. Select your vehicle, the app will display your entry time and auto calculate your tariff
4. Pay and then exit the car park

### Pay online

You can pay online here **<https://www.apcoaconnect.com/locationDetail>**

### Free parking

The following groups of patients and visitors are entitled to free parking:

#### Blue Badge holders

- Parking is free for holders of a valid Blue Badge.
- Please display your Blue Badge on your dashboard.
- Please register your Blue Badge on the APCOA Blue Badge Permit Portal ideally before you come to hospital. **<https://bluebadge.apcoa.co.uk/>**
- If you arrive at hospital before registering your Blue Badge, you can validate your free parking using the tablets at the Main Entrance Enquiries Desk or the Cashiers

#### Parents of children staying in hospital overnight

- Your parking is free if your child has to stay overnight in hospital.
- Please speak to the ward team caring for your child, who will validate your parking.

#### Regular outpatient attenders

Parking will be provided free to all outpatients who attend hospital for an appointment at least three times within a month and for an overall period of at least three months. A 'month' is defined as a period of 30 days. Full details can be found on the hospital website: **[Car parking changes at Salisbury District Hospital](#)**

You can find this newsletter and previous issues on the local parish council websites:  
<https://www.netheravonparishcouncil.co.uk>  
<https://www.fittletoncumhaxton.co.uk>

# **NETHERAVON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**WILL BE HELD**

**ON**

**THURSDAY,**

**16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023**

**AT 6.30 P.M.**

**IN**

**THE PHOENIX HALL, NETHERAVON**

**SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION:**

- **NETHERAVON BOUNDARY CHANGES**
- **A345 PROPOSED 40MPH SPEED LIMIT**
- **NETHERAVON SPEED WATCH GROUP – Can you help?**
  - **COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT – Can you help?**

**DO COME ALONG IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT  
MORE**

**COME TO THE PHOENIX HALL AND HAVE A GLASS  
OF WINE WITH YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS  
EVERYONE WELCOME**



**Spring has almost sprung – and with it an unbelievably good new local biography. Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of March** marks the first day of Spring, and the launch of a local author's first book. ***Unbelievable! A Working Country Life***, by Victoria Walsh, tells the story of Fittleton man Martin Aris.

Victoria met Martin seven years ago, when she and her partner Simon moved to the mill at Coombe, where Martin works as a river keeper. They've always loved hearing Martin's hilarious stories about country life: of a naughty little boy growing up in the 1950s & 60s Cotswolds, of moving to Wiltshire as a cheeky young farmer, and ending up a wise but still sparky river keeper. It was these stories and Martin's musings on nature and life, which sparked the idea for the book. However, this isn't any old countryside book: *Unbelievable!* contains not just wildlife but also 'the wild life' - poaching, punch-ups and more. It's also written phonetically, in Martin's own Cots-Wilts accent, and embellished with expletives. This definitely isn't the Queen's (or King's) English!

*Unbelievable!* has lots of local and historic interest, and it's supporting local businesses. The book has been produced by a Wiltshire publisher (Chalk Stream Books) and illustrated by a Wiltshire artist (Alex Crump). It's also supporting a good cause, as 10% of profits will be donated to The Angling Trust.

Victoria will be launching the book on the evening of the 20<sup>th</sup> of March at the Pewsey Heritage Centre (6-7.30pm). Please email [victoriawalsh.info@gmail.com](mailto:victoriawalsh.info@gmail.com) for information and (free) tickets. Places limited.

The book (a hardback) will be available at The Swan in Enford, on the publisher's website ([chalkstreambooks.com](http://chalkstreambooks.com)) and elsewhere, priced £13.99. It will also be available as an eBook, on Amazon and elsewhere.

## Salisbury Hospital Constituency Meeting

**Wednesday 29th March at 6pm**

**Phoenix Hall, Netheravon**

Peter Kosminsky - elected hospital trust governor for Kennet - invites you to meet the Trust Chair Ian Green, together with senior executives from Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust. There will be short presentation about the current situation at the hospital but the purpose of the meeting is for you to ask questions of your governor and of senior hospital officers.

**Please come - all welcome.**



## Netheravon Working Men's Club



★ We are still showing the 6 Nations Rugby.

★ We had a great Duo last Month. If you missed them, they will be back.  
60s and 70s Music. Dance the night away.

Sat 15<sup>th</sup> March Quiz

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> March Six Nations all matches Shown. Ireland vs England 17:00

Sat 25<sup>th</sup> March Member's Wedding

Check out our NoticeBoards for:

**Easter Eggtravaganza -**

Lots of Children's Games on Easter Sunday!! Very Eggciting!!

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**Looking forward to the Kings Coronation**

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Sat 6<sup>th</sup> May Truly Buble' Everyone Welcome  
(Partly Sponsored by the Jubilee Committee)

### **COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT**

**We are starting a Community Allotment at the Piggot Close Allotments  
If you would like to help, please come up to the allotments on  
Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> March at 9.00am  
To plan the way forward  
It will be a great way to supply the Community Larder in the summer!**

### **Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council**

The next meeting of the parish council is  
**Tuesday 7 March  
7:30pm, Phoenix Hall, Netheravon**

Members of the public are invited to attend.

### **SPTA NEWS**

**For Salisbury Plain Training Area News, giving times of live firing, current and upcoming exercises, go to:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/salisbury-plain-training-area-spta-newsletter>**

## **Police and Crime Commissioner Philip Wilkinson**

My annual budget proposed a raise the amount of money you pay for the policing part of your council tax, known as the precept, by 6.2%.

For an average Band D household, that equates to £15 a year or £1.25 a month.

It's been a difficult decision to make and that's why it was important we consulted you. Over 2,700 people responded to the survey. We also took it out across Swindon and Wiltshire to gather your feedback. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you if you took the time to complete it. 54% of people who responded said they would be prepared to support a maximum rise but it's important to make clear why I asked you to support that option.

Without putting up the precept, Wiltshire Police would need to save over £4m in the next year. Even by increasing the precept, savings will be key but I'm confident this will happen at the same time as delivering a better service. We will put 32 extra police officers on the streets of Wiltshire, in addition to the new Uplift officers. We should have 1,189 police officers by the end of March this year – the highest number for quite some time.

I am constantly speaking to our local MPs and government ministers about the funding formula. We need a fairer system which provides our police force with the investment equal to forces similar to ours. By raising the precept, we can show we are playing our part in funding our police force and this puts us in a stronger position.

With more officers on our streets and a better use of our existing funds, I hope you will see an improvement in the service you receive and see value for money in the measures I've taken to make Wiltshire a safer place to live and work.

## **CHEERFUL CUPPA**

**Thank you to everyone who came along to support the Cheerful Cuppa on Valentine's Day**

**It was a great morning with about 70 people crammed into the Phoenix Hall to enjoy the singing of the Pewsey Vale Male Voice Choir, lots of tea, coffee, cakes and a raffle.**

**£245 was made which will be sent to two charities:**

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