NETHERAVON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held in the Phoenix Hall On Thursday, 11th February, 2024 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT	Cllr. R. Ayling Cllr. D. Burke Cllr. A. Bridewell Cllr. A. Brown Cllr. C. Coslett Cllr. B. Covil Cllr. P. Mackay Cllr. Mrs. P. Perry	Chairman Vice-Chairman
	Cllr. Mrs. P. Perry Cllr. S. Perry	
In Attendance	Cllr. I. Blair-Pilling	Wiltshire Councillor
	Mrs. Mary Towle	Clerk of the Council

WELCOME BY CHAIRMAN

Cllr. Ayling thanked the Wiltshire Councillor Ian Blair-Pilling for all his help with the A345 speed limit trial, getting potholes filled in along Choulston Farm Road and his support with the project to make the bus stop at Harefield Crescent safer for users.

REPORT BY WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR

Cllr. Blair-Pilling:

- Stressed the importance of attending LHFIG meetings especially with the aim of getting a safer bus stop at Harefield Crescent
- There will be a meeting with the Highways cabinet member and Highways team at Figheldean Village Hall on 27th March to discuss priorities for the Area. He asked that Netheravon's top three priorities be sent to Cllr. Graham Wright prior to the meeting.
- The Clerk asked Cllr. Blair-Pilling if he could find out how to apply for a grant to plant a Community Orchard.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public were present.

23/81 APOLOGIES

No apologies received

23/82 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest

23/83 MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2024 be accepted as a true record.

23/84 FINANCE

1. Authorisation of Cheques

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the cheques for January/February 2024.

Hurdcott Landscapes	£244.63
Salisbury Hospice	£50.00
Mary Towle – village clock, misc	£35.84
Payroll	£1003.36
Mrs. M. Towle – use of home as office	£30.00
Carer Support Wiltshire	£100.00
Hurdcott Landscape	£244.63
Phoenix Hall	£42.00

2. Bank Reconciliation

The Balance at the Bank as at 8th February, 2024 is £16,404.57

3. Donation to Carers Support, Wiltshire

It was **RESOLVED** send a donation of £100 to Carers Support Wiltshire.

4. Money from disbanded Youth Club

The Clerk advised Councillors that the Youth Club have forwarded their surplus funds of £3170.24 to the Parish Council to use on Youth Projects.

23/85 COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Planning

Cllr. Coslett reported that there is 1 new planning application:

PL/2024/01161 PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES IN A CA to fell one apple tree

and one holly tree at Old Brewery House, High Street

Parish Council Comments: Support. The applicant is the Netheravon Wiltshire Councillor and so is known to the planning committee.

2. Flooding and Adverse Weather

Cllr. Burke reported that no more problems have been experienced.

3. Highways

The Clerk reported that the Village Handyman has cleared all the leaves from the layby opposite the Library and swept the pavement.

4. Cemetery/Enhancement/Netheravon in Bloom

There is a working party to plant the excess trees in the Cemetery on Saturday, 17th February at 9.00am. Clerk to obtain tree protectors and ties.

It was agreed that before the hanging baskets are ordered an advert should be put on facebook to ask for volunteers to look after them.

5. Recreation

The Clerk reported that the bins in the BMX track have been vandalized again. Also the cycle rack has been broken and burnt.

6. Allotments

A meeting was arranged to discuss the possible reduction in size of an allotment in the Piggott Close allotment area. The allotment holder did not attend. It was **RESOLVED** that the allotment holder be given notice that his tenancy will be terminated as his allotment has not been tended according to his tenancy agreement for two years.

Community Allotment

Nothing to report.

The Community Larder

Nothing further to report.

7. Rights of Way

It was reported that fencing has been vandalized next to the kissing gate along the Corfe Track.

23/86 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVE OF OTHER GROUPS

a. Phoenix Hall

Finances show a current bank balance of £12562.69 With an additional £6062.69 on deposit.

The bookings total for this year is currently £11404.60

For the first 10 months, we are up by 9.3% on last year.

Current bookings with 2 months of the year to go are up by £612.85.

A very successful race night was held which provisionally rised £700. Thank you Alan Wood for your hard work in organizing this event.

Maintenance and Improvements

The guttering has been repaired. Thank you Alan Brown.

Looking ahead

Friday nights have the most availability.

Steve Perry, Chairman

b. Jubilee Committee

Nothing to report. No events planned.

c. Stonehenge Community Area Board

The next meeting is on 29th February at Antrobus House. The Chairman and Clerk to attend.

d. All Saints School

Cllr. Andy Bridewell reported that he had a good first School Council Meeting. A Chair, Vice-Chair and Clerk have been chosen. 8 people are on the Council of all ages at the moment. They have been asked to provide a wish-list of things for the School and the Village.

e. Netheravon Speed Watch Group

The Speed has come down with the erection of two SIDs. Most people are doing less than 40 mph along the stretch by Court Farm Road. The third SID will be going up near Mill Road in March after the next speed assessment.

23/87 RESIGNATION OF THE CLERK

The Chairman announced the resignation of the Clerk. She will remain in post to finalise the accounts and to give a new Clerk a good handover.

23/88 REPORT BY THE CLERK

• The Clerk reported that the litter bins are being used for household waste and electrical goods. The Chairman will put an article on fb asking people not to do this as it is flytipping.

- The Clerk advised that it is the Annual Parish Meeting in March. She asked for topics to be discussed at the meeting with the public. She suggested: Speedwatch, D-Day80 Commemoration, Newsletter report on progress and reports by village organisations.
- Councillors 9th were asked to provide photographs of village events so that the website can be updated.
- There will be a Newsletter Committee Meeting on 15th February and a D-Day80 meeting with Fittleton and Figheldean on 19th February.

23/89 CORRESPONDENCE

• All emails have been forwarded to Councillors for their information

23/90 GENERAL PARISH MATTERS

There were no General Parish Matters

23/91 DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

Annual Parish Meeting 14th March, 2024. 6.30pm in the Phoenix Hall followed by a Parish Council Meeting

Signed		Date	
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	Chairman		