

## FONTHILL GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES of the Meeting held on Monday 3 March 2025

There were present Cllr Hill, Chair, Cllr. Gorford, Treasurer, Cllr. Marking and Cllr. Scott-Gall

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr. Bell and Cllr. Evans

1. There were no Declarations
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed
3. Matters arising: Cllr. Hill has discussed the possibility of reclaiming footpaths with the appropriate official, who advised that the Ramblers Society are working on this issue which is difficult in view of the fact that on many maps footpaths appear to come to an abrupt end with no connection to the next section of the route. He also advised that 360 paths have been submitted to Wilts Council for decision, and as they only deal with 6 applications per year, there appears to be a 60-year waiting list. The Chair will aim to open discussions with the local Land Agents to see if any of the local paths can be reclaimed on a permissive.

Advice has been received that the proposed Devolution will not be going ahead in our area.

Insufficient time has yet elapsed for it to be established whether or not the letter circulated on the subject of traffic speed in Stop Street has had any great effect.

4. Financial Statement: The Treasurer reported that the balance on the Current Account is £1653: and on the Deposit Account £2085, making a total of £3739. These will be the End of Year figures shown in the accounts.

5. Any other business: The question of reactivating our membership of the Neighbourhood Watch scheme has been raised by one resident, Mr Bass, and the Chair has advised him that we will be happy for him to pursue this.

It was suggested that a Curry Evening should be organised as a joint venture of the Parish Council and the Trustees of the Hut.

There being no further business, the Meeting was declared closed.

Date of next Meeting: Monday 7th April 2025, at 7.00 pm.