

FONTHILL GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES of the Meeting held on 11 November 2024

There were present Mary Scott-Gall, Paul Gorford, James Hill, Caroline Marking, Cheryl Bell and James Evans
Councillor Richard Budden was also in attendance

1. There were no Declarations.
2. The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and signed.
3. Matters arising:
 - a. It is intended to apply to the Electoral Commission for reinstatement of the Hut as a Polling Station once all necessary facts have been collected.
 - b. The black barn near the foot of Stop Street is still being used by a firm of scaffolders and a large construction of poles has been erected to provide coverage for their vehicles, which may require Planning Permission. FGPC will provide Wiltshire Councillor Budden with a photograph to enable him to discuss the situation with the Planning Office. It was suggested an approach be made to the Fonthill Estate office to ask for nesting boxes to be fitted to accommodate the resident barn owls.
 - c. In order to keep the residents informed, Paul Gorford will put a list of the names of the Parish Councillors on the website and the notice board.
4. The Treasurer reported that the balances on the Bank Accounts remain as they were at the last Meeting. He reported having expended £49.50 on wine for the Christmas party, and he proposed, seconded by James Evans, that he should be reimbursed for this amount. Carried
The Precept for the current year was £2280, and the Treasurer proposed that for next year this figure should merely be rounded up to £2,300, seconded by James Evans, and passed unanimously.
5. The Chairman informed the Meeting that after four years of service, she wished to resign from the position of Chairman with immediate effect. She proposed, seconded by Cheryl Bell, and passed unanimously, that James Hill be elected to become Chairman forthwith.
6. Councillor Budden drew to the attention of the Meeting that the Wiltshire Council imposed fine for fly posting, in other words the putting up of temporary notices of local events without the relevant permissions, is to be increased to £500. He also reported that the Nadder Farmers group is continuing to check and report on pollution levels in the waterways.

There being no further business the Meeting was declared closed.
Date of next meeting: Monday 2nd December 2024 in the Village Hut at 7pm.