

## FONTHILL GIFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held on Monday 5th January 2026

There were present Cllr James Hill, Chair, Cllr Paul Gorfod, Treasurer, Cllrs James Evans, Cheryl Bell, Caroline Marking and Mary Scott-Gall

Councillor Gerry Murray was also in attendance.

1. There were no Declarations.
2. The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and signed.
3. Matters arising: James Evans will go ahead and order the agreed speeding signs.
4. Financial Statement: The Treasurer reported that the balance on the Current Account stands at £2816 and on the Deposit Account at £2101, making a total of £4917. At the next Meeting the Treasurer will be seeking a decision on what donations we should consider making before the end of the current financial year.
5. Planning: No member of the Council wished to make any comment on the planning application discussed at the previous Meeting.
6. Cllr Murray reported that the new local plan has been passed but there is need for consultation in relation to the Wiltshire Strategic Plan which is an urgent matter. Access to the recycling centres in Wiltshire is going to be via a booking system. The police are improving their success rate at dealing with fly-tipping. The scheme for replacement of septic tanks has ground to a halt as the available funds are running out and staff resources within WC are an issue. The owners of 2nd homes within Wilts will be required to pay double council tax rates from April.

There being no further business the Meeting was declared closed.

Date of next Meeting: Monday 2 February 2026 at 7.00 pm