

Minutes of the Fittleton cum Haxton Parish Council Meeting
1900hrs Tuesday 10th March 2026 @ Phoenix Hall Netheravon

Present:

Cllr Paul Cranch	(PC)-Chair
Cllr Kevin Friery	(KF)
Cllr Corinne Gowman	(CG)
Cllr Victoria Jago	(VJ)
Cllr Sheila Symes	(SS)
Cllr Julian Lamont	(JL)

In Attendance:

Laura Turner	(Clerk)
Ian Blair Pilling	(IBP) Wiltshire Council
1 member of the public.	

10.03.26/01 Acceptance of Apologies

10.03.26/02 Declaration of Interests

10.03.26/03 Questions from members of the public- Nil

10.03.26/04 Report from Wiltshire Councillor- National government has now set a 3 year settlement to the county councils, this could enable the ability to forecast budgets more accurately rather than year on year. Council Tax due to rise by 4.99%. Car parking charges due to rise by 20% and the duration they are enforced is likely to be raised to 7am to 7pm. New rubbish and recycling systems (3 weekly) are also likely to come into play this year. Area board still working towards better engagement from local councils and moving forward with smaller working groups.

10.03.26/05 Police Report – Working in the valley locally to prevent hare coursing, local graffiti has been reported and is being monitored through the valley.

10.03.26/06 Agree Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of previous meeting, 13th January 2026, agreed and signed by Cllr PC.

10.03.26/07 Reports from Sub-Committees & Representatives on other Groups

- a) **Phoenix Hall-** Utility costs have raised significantly putting financial pressure on the management committee. Not renewing their music license. Significant monies owed to them by previous hirers.
- b) **Planning** – to be discussed in Parish matters.
- c) **Footpaths and Rights of Way**– Nil
- d) **Transport and Highways** – LT to contact Kate Davey to discuss adding 'horse rider' signs to each end of the village. Possibility of adding to existing signage.
- e) **Allotments** – 1 vacant plot. Community shed repaired, guttering fixed, invoice to pay for guttering clips etc.
- f) **Jubilee Committee** - nil
- g) **Stonehenge Area Board** – Extensive minutes are available on line via the Wilts Council website.
- h) **Parish Steward** – Focusing on pot holes currently around the county.

10.03.26/08 Account balances and transactions: Balance £13,085.42 (10/03/26) incoming £38, allotments.

Paid since Last Meeting £513.16	To Approve
Bank Fee £9.50	
Clerk Salary £450.66 Remembrance day wreaths £42	
Clerks Use of Home £50	

10.03.26/09 Correspondence Received – Parish matters, planning as below.

10.03.26/10 Parish Matters

- a) National Insurance- will be liable as of the next financial year.
- b) Planning PL/2025/09677- For: 3 Against: 2 Abstain: 1
- c) Phoenix Hall Clerk wage contribution- Request has been made for a contribution to the clerk wage on an ongoing basis. All Councillors agree that we cannot look to a regular contribution as not budgeted for this year.
- d) May/APM meeting date- 19th May APM and regular Parish Council meeting.

10.03.26/11 Items For Next Meeting

Horse rider signs,

10.03.26/12 Date of next meeting

19th May 2026 at Phoenix Hall, Netheravon, 7pm.

Signed:

Dated: