Councillors were **summoned** to the meeting of Wheathill Parish Council, held on **Tuesday 4th March 2025** at the Annex Room of The Three Horseshoes commenced at **7.00pm**

**MINUTES**

1. **Apologies**

None

1. Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting of any matter in which they have a pecuniary interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.
2. **Public open session to last no more than 15 minutes.**

A brilliant turnout of public with 8 members in attendance, lovely to see you all.

A few comments were made such as ownership of the War Memorial before any remedial works commence.

Clerk to reach out to Police and Crime Commissioner about horse riding signage and for Jack Mytton Way around the Parish.

1. **Approve the minutes of the last meeting 4th February 2024**

Minutes were approved and sanctioned to be posted to the website.

1. **Unitary Councillors Report**

See website for full report.

1. **Nature Recovery Initiative Update**

The cameras have been looked at once again and showed the first sighting of a polecat in Shropshire, there was great response from this and the Guardian newspaper was interested in doing an article.

1. **Wheathill Parish Walking Group**

10 people attended the event which was a great uptake for the first of hopefully many. It’ll be held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at The Three Horseshoes.

1. **Highway Items.**
2. Update on Speed Strips

Nick Newton is putting together the road design and will consult the Parish Council before final sign off and hopefully a Q&A can be established were public can get involved.

1. Lengthsman Activities

Joe Watton to get details of the war memorial to get quantities for repair.

Notice board at the Three Horseshoes needs a new back board and doors.

1. **SmartWater Kit Registration and Collections – only a few left to get!**

Clerk will email Amy Brice to check numbers and see how many more we need. Fingers crossed we have met the threshold for signage.

1. **Place Plan Questionnaire responses.**

Chairman Crichton shared summary of each question which is to be shared with Parishioners.

1. **Planning**

No new applications.

1. **Local News**

War Memorial Wall Restoration – get measurements for quoting off Joe Watton.

Use FixMyStreet for fly tipping reporting, it’s been effective so far with previous reports.

Defibrillators have all been checked and are operational.

Farlow voting station - any parishioner wanting to postal vote needs to do so by the 14th April 2025.

1. **Correspondence.**

Election nomination packs were handed out to current Councillors.

Stuart Anderson local MP posters were handed out to be put up on the local notice boards.

1. **Donation requests.**

None Received

**16. Finance -** Clerk now has access to online banking and can make BACS payments.

1**. Bank Reconciliation**

 Treasurers Account @ 27/02/2025 £10,405.77

2. **Payment of Invoices**

a) Jayne O’Grady for Room Hire for meetings £260.00 – approved for payment.

1. **Meetings and Training attended.**

Clerk went to elections training for the upcoming local elections on 1st May 2025

1. **Items to be put on the Meeting of the next meeting.**

None

1. **Date of next meeting****.**

**13th May 2025 (a week delayed) – Annual General Meeting**

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