



**Draft Minutes of Grafton Annual Parish Meeting held at the Coronation Hall, East Grafton on Monday 13 May 2024 at 7:30 p.m.**

Item	Topics and Actions
1.	<p><b>Attendees:</b> Mr Edward Nelson (Vice Chair), Mrs Annie Witcher, Mrs Ann Dudney (acting Clerk), Mr Mike Hatherell, Mr Kevin Burke, Mr Richard Pash, Mr Rupert Bentley.</p> <p><b>Apologies for absence:</b> Mr Lemon, Mr Hosier, Ms Vonsova (Clerk).</p> <p><b>Member of the Public:</b> Mrs Marijke Craig, Mrs Susie Brew, Mr Chris Beale, Mrs Sue England, Mr Stuart Wheeler.</p>
2.	<p><b>Matters arising from Minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 15 May 2023:</b> None. Minutes proposed by Mr Pash, seconded by Mrs Witcher and signed by the Mr Nelson.</p>
3.	<p><b>Parish Reviews :</b> All will be published in June issue of Community News</p> <p>Mr Nelson read the Chairman’s Review.</p> <p>Mrs Craig presented the Horticultural Society report</p> <p>Mrs Brew presented reports from the Pewsey Community Area Board and the Pewsey Vale Tourism Board.</p> <p>Mrs England reported on Sunflowers and Goslings</p> <p>Mrs Witcher read the Coronation Hall report by Mr Clemence (Chair)</p> <p>Mr Wheeler summarised the Wiltshire Council year end statement</p> <p>Mrs Dudney read the St Nicholas’ Church report from Rev. McHugh</p> <p><b>Other reports were submitted in writing.</b></p>
4.	<p>Mr Beale asked the Council about the current situation regarding Neighbourhood Watch. It was agreed that the police should be contacted for full details on the current support available to the scheme</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Clerk to follow this up with Wiltshire Police and report at next council meeting</p>



**Draft Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at the Coronation Hall, East Grafton on Monday 13 May 2024 commencing after APM**

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1.	<p><b>Attendees:</b> Mr Edward Nelson (Vice Chair), Mrs Annie Witcher, Mrs Ann Dudney (acting Clerk), Mr Mike Hatherell, Mr Kevin Burke, Mr Richard Pash, Mr Rupert Bentley.</p> <p><b>Apologies for absence:</b> Mr Lemon, Mr Hosier, Ms Vonsova (Clerk).</p>
2.	<p><b>Election of Chair:</b> Mr Nelson was proposed by Mr Hatherell, seconded by Mr Burke and unanimously agreed. Mr Nelson thanked Mr Lemon for his diligent and successful time as Chair – this had the full support of the Council</p>
3.	<p><b>Nomination &amp; Election of Vice Chair:</b> The meeting decided that it would be appropriate to leave this position open. Members will take meetings when required on an adhoc basis.</p>
4.	<p><b>Adoption of Standing Orders:</b></p> <p>The Standing Orders were adopted by the council. (<a href="http://www.graftonparish.com">www.graftonparish.com</a>)</p>
5.	<p><b>Allocation of Councillors duties:</b></p> <p>The full allocation of duties for 2024 will be published on the website. The Council agreed that it was necessary to reach out for volunteers to assist with Community Events and special projects with a view to encouraging new members of the Council. An invitation is to be published in the Community News.</p>