

Minutes of the Chair's Annual Parish Meeting of Yarnton

Meeting held on 27th March 2025 at 6.30pm at Yarnton Village Hall

Attendees	
Fiona Mawson (FM)	Yarnton Parish Council Vice Chair
Joe McEaney (JM)	Yarnton Parish Councillor
Ian Middleton (IM)	Yarnton Parish Councillor, Oxfordshire County Councillor
Steve Smith (SS)	Yarnton Parish Councillor
Dorothy Walker (DW)	Yarnton Parish Councillor, Cherwell District Councillor
David Thornhill (DT)	Yarnton Parish Council Clerk

1. Apologies	Mike Groves (MG)
2. Minutes	The minutes of the Chair's Annual Parish Meeting of Yarnton held on 7/3/24 having been previously circulated were accepted as a true record by all.
3. Matters arising	None.
4,5. Presentations	Dr Pete Sudbury from Oxfordshire County Council spoke eloquently on the affects of Climate Change and flooding. Imogen Parker from Wild Oxfordshire made an interesting presentation about Community Ecology; Meadows and Margins.
6. Finance	The Clerk made a presentation to the members of public who attended the meeting on the Council's observations of its finances for 2024/2025, including an overview of income and expenditure, precept calculations and S.137 spend.
7. Chair's report	The Vice Chair made a presentation of their observations over the past year, and informed the members of the public who attended the meeting of plans and initiatives for the coming year.
8. County Councillor's report	The County Councillor reported on matters affecting Oxfordshire County Council's funding, Environmental matters and Highways concerns. IM also mare representations concerning the upcoming local government reform plans, and outlined the different potential pathways for councils.
9. District Councillor's report	The District Councillor gave a verbal account of issues affecting Cherwell District Council's budget in this financial year, and plans for the future including schemes and initiatives for release in the coming financial year.

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10. Consideration of resolutions	None.
11. AOB & Q&A	No AOB was raised. Resident questions were asked of Councillors concerning environmental issues including flooding, littering, antisocial behaviour, traffic and highways concerns. The member of the public who raised these concerns asked how they can help and showed interest in becoming a Parish Councillor.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm

Date of next Chair's Annual Parish Meeting: Wednesday 22nd April 2026 at 6.30pm at Yarnton Village Hall

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