

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL OPEN MEETING
ARNCOTT PARISH COUNCIL, VILLAGE HALL
ON May 6th 2025 AT 7.30 PM**

Present: Paul Wilson (Chairman), Matt Todd, Dinesh Patel
and Daniel Cooper

Apologies: Martin Byrne, Alex Dean. Cllr L Gordon (OCC)
Cllr G Coton (CDC)

Also Present: 3 Representatives of conrad Energy
Parishioners
Representatives of Village organisations and
societies.

1. Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated, were approved as drawn.

2. Conrad Energy

Conrad Energy explained their proposals for further solar panels in the village, which would be linked to the existing provision, and would use the current site access.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman updated residents on Parish council activities during the year 2024/5 and advised that the council now holds 4 meetings a year – in January, May, July and October.

4. Finance

The Clerk reported that, during the financial year 2024/5 the Parish Council had been able to maintain a low rate of increase on the precept, due to the generosity of local resident, Mr David Orchard, who had directed a substantial sum of money for projects in the village as

part of the planning permissions for development in Arncott. The end of year accounts are now displayed on the Parish Council website, and the Clerk confirmed she welcomed any questions from residents.

5. Village Hall

The Village Hall committee confirmed that the Village Hall is a registered charity which provides benefits including reduced Council tax payments. The Committee will be holding its Annual meeting on 31st May and it meets on the last Tuesday of every other month in the Village hall. Everyone is welcome.

6. Football Club

The club is now an active part of the Village, and uses both the Football [pitch and the changing facilities in the Village hall.

7. Garrison update

The Chairman reported that there had been discussions with the MOD about a request to change the direction of lighting at the site entrance to avoid glare disturbing residents at night.

8. Any Other Business

None

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00pm.