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Minutes

Wednesday 4th November 2026

1. **Register**: Ollie, Andy, Sophie, Molly, George, Issy, Alice, Nellie, Harry, Rafi, Ollie, Charlotte, Dani, Caitlin
2. **Apologies from** Matilda, Amelie B, Nia, Lily, Isabel, Kaia, Audrey, Hannah T
3. **Welcome, Resignations and Introductions:**
4. **Issue Hoodies to** Ollie
5. **Check on who has earned a sweatshirt.** Hoodie to Alice, Lily and Kaia at the next meeting.
6. **Minutes and Matters arising from the October Meeting** Sophie to discuss Harry Potter posters with Mr Pearsall.

7. **New Issues from Young People.** Dark lighting: Unfortunately, no one owns the alleyway by Ashton Car Park. Ideas around placing light source on an area of owned land (i.e. Ashton Car Park)
8. **Westminster Trip Report** (Amelie) Deferred to the next meeting. Discussion on a trip to the Welsh Parliament is more accessible **ACTION: Rafi to investigate times and Caitlin transport**

9. **Links to Chippenham Youth Council** (Caitlin) – Izzy Letter. Thank you to Izzy for writing the letter. **ACTION: Izzy to add more questions & send letter to Andy for proof reading.**
10. **Report back on October Town Council Meeting.** Remembrance Sunday this Sunday, if possible, please attend. B&NES intend to charge the town council for renting Timeout.
11. **Review Photos for the Winter Festival.** Thank you to all the members all sent in photos. **ACTION: All members send at least 3 photos of Keynsham by FRIDAY 6th NOVEMBER. Caitlin to send in photos to Molly this weekend.**

12. **Confirm Helpers for the Winter Festival on November 28th** New poll on the group chat. **ACTION: Please can all members select which shifts they can help at. This is a commitment so only vote if you are definitely coming.**

13. **WhatsApp Etiquette** How to use our WhatsApp Page. Please refrain from sending spam such as stickers as it clogs up the group chat. Keep an eye on the Announcements page on the Group chat for upcoming polls and other important information.
14. **Update from the Subcommittee on Teviot Park,** Bulb Planting at Teviot Road. Well done to Sophie, Charlotte, Andy and Dawn (Town Clerk) for planting the bulbs. Tenants near Teviot Park have sent a survey of 10 people to the Town Clark criticising the work claiming the committee have not consulted locals despite the many consultations and meetings with them that have taken place.

15. **Report back on October litter pick** Successful litter pick with around 10 in attendance. Lower level of rubbish compared to last litter pick along Avon Mill Lane.
    15.1. Anti-Homophobia campaign update Sophie has organised a meeting with Mr Pearsall and Ms Chapman to discuss restarting Equalities Club at Wellsway. **ACTION: Nellie to speak with Ms Stone to also run an equalities club in Broadlands.**

16. **Is Anti-Social Behaviour by some young people getting worse?** Alice has seen anti social behaviour by some young people. George has experienced young people attempting to enter locked spaces. Charlotte notes police have intervened with groups of young people due to their behaviour. Many members experienced unwanted comments and harassment by young people perhaps due to an influx of children grown up on the internet surrounded by media like the 'Manosphere'**. ACTION: Always report antisocial behaviour to the police so they can deal with it and KEEP SAFE.**

17. **Recruitment of New Members:** Deferred
18. **KeynshamNow Homework and Future Topics** Deferred

19. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday 2nd December 2026 at 5.30pm, in The Space