

**NETHER WALLOP PARISH COUNCIL**  
**May 2023 Meeting.**

Legislation provides that the Annual Meeting of the Council must be held<sup>1</sup> :

PART II  
 PARISH COUNCILS

- 7 (1) A parish council shall in every year hold an annual meeting.
- (2) In a year which is a year of ordinary elections of parish councillors, the annual meeting of a parish council shall be held on, or within fourteen days after, the day on which the councillors elected at that election take office, and in any other year the annual meeting shall be held on such day in May as the parish council may determine.
- (3) The annual meeting of a parish council shall be held at such hour as the council may fix or, if no hour is so fixed, 6 o'clock in the evening.

2023 is an election year, and therefore the new councillors take office<sup>2</sup> per:

- (3) Subject to any provision included in an order by virtue of section 67 below and to the provisions of paragraphs 12 and 13 of Schedule 3 to this Act, the ordinary elections of parish councillors shall take place in 1976, 1979 and every fourth year thereafter, their term of office shall be three years in the case of those elected at the ordinary elections in 1976 and four years in the case of those elected at ordinary elections held thereafter, and **the whole number of parish councillors shall retire together in every ordinary year of election of such councillors on the fourth day after the ordinary day of election of such councillors, and the newly elected councillors shall come into office on the day on which their predecessors retire.**

Election Date:	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> May
Fourth day after the day of election:	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May
Fourteen days after the councillors take office:	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May

The current May meeting is scheduled for Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May, but as this has now been designated as a Bank Holiday, there is a little confusion as to whether this day counts.<sup>3</sup>

**The Clerk advises it may be better to hold the meeting on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May to be certain of complying with regulations. COUNCILLORS TO AGREE OR SUGGEST ANOTHER DAY.**

<sup>1</sup> [Local Government Act 1972, Sch 12, Part II, 7 \(2\).](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Local Government Act 1972, Part I, Parishes, Section 16 \(3\).](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Local Government Act 1972, s.243](#)