

RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on

Monday DECEMBER 13th 2021 7.45pm held on Zoom

Present - D Barnett Vice Chair (DB), D Edwards (DE), S Glass (SG) Chairman, Hawes(GH), E Hodgson (EH), R Greasley (RG), D Gill (DG), M Waugh(MW), L Jauncey (LJ), H Lloyd (HL), A Foale (AF) C Standage (Clerk), M Holdsworth (Minute clerk)

County Councillor J Sheppard (JS) and 4 members of the public were present

Before the meeting began SG asked if Item 10 Co-option of the new councillor could be moved to the end of the agenda and become Item 26. This is so that the prospective candidates could leave the meeting so that the councillors could discuss the applications. All agreed.

1 APOLOGIES for absence -C Morgan, R Young approved

2 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST- None

3 MINUTES of the meeting held 15th November.

P 1685 Item 10 should read 8th Nov not 8th Dec.

The adoption of the Minutes with this amendment was proposed by DB and seconded by DE. **All agreed**

4 MATTERS ARISING - None

5 NEW CORRESPONDENCE

December 2021

A6639 16/11/21 Democratic & member Service RE: Christmas Waste and recycling collections All waste collections are as normal this year

A6641 16/11/21 WC Financial Planning F/w to Councillors RE: Council Tax Precept Calculator

Noted

A6642 16/11/21 Traffic Surveys RE: Traffic Survey Request

This applies to Newtown Rd.

A6645 19/11/21 Traffic Surveys RE: Backlog Update

WC are working hard to catch up on all traffic surveys.

A6646 19/11/21 Wiltshire Council F/w to Councillors RE: Latest news and advice for residents on COVID 19 - Action - This notification has been put on the website.

A6648 22/11/21 Wiltshire Council F/w to Councillors RE: Blanket TTRO confirmed dates – Whittonditch Road Ramsbury – this is now completed and has been done well with little disruption to the residents

A6649 22/11/21 Resident F/w to Lynn Jauncey RE: Rights of Way Committee – Project walk Ramsbury and Axford The resident is very willing to share his knowledge of the footpaths with LJ and has several maps of interest. **Action – LJ has replied**

A6650 22/11/21 John Herbertson F/w to Councillors RE: December Diary - noted

A6652 23/11/21 Graham Ellis – Melksham Council RE: Wiltshire Public Transport Cuts – December 2021 – noted. These cuts do not affect us.

A6654 23/11/21 Andrew Jack RE: Marlborough CATG Meeting 9th December - noted

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A6656 25/11/21 Resident RE: Fly Tipping- Crowood Lane
Action – This had been reported and cleared away.

A6657 25/11/21 Steve Hind RE: Approval of Traffic Survey
This refers to Newtown Road. This Traffic survey has to be approved as it is in a 60mph area.

A6658 25/11/21 Ab Fab Loos RE: Confirmations of order –
Boundary Walk - noted

A6659 26/11/21 Wiltshire Council F/w to Councillors RE: Latest news and advice for
residents on COVID 19 Action – SG to put on the website.

A6661 28/11/21 Namesco - Domain RE: Renewals due 2022 Action – SG to
renew

A6662 28/11/21 CPRE F/w to Councillors RE: The link to the recording of the
recent Neighbourhood Plan Webinar held on the 9th November 2021 - noted

A6663 28/11/21 Helen Lea SSE RE: Unmetered 2021 UMS
Certificate

This is for the electricity for the lights on the Tree in the Square.

A6664 29/11/21 Paul Metcalfe RE: Application for Banner across a
highway Ramsbury This also refers to the lighting on the Tree for the wire to go across the road to
the Tree

A6666 02/12/21 Elections RE: Councillor Vacancy

There had been no request for elections to be held – **Action - the new Parish Councillor can be co-**
opted. See item 10(22)

A6667 03/12/21 Cheryl Byfield – Wilts Council RE: Electoral Register
December 2021

A new Electoral Register has been received.

A6671 04/12/21 Residents Various F/w to Planning RE: PL/20201/10698 Land
Adjacent to Whitton Lodge – see Item 6A

6 Committee Reports:

A Planning

Diann Barnett

*Report on Committee meeting re application PL/2021/10698 held immediately
before this meeting*

The meeting was held on zoom attended by 14 members of the public. The committee discussed the application and took note of comments from members of the public including the applicant's agent and various neighbours and residents. Minutes are attached. A further Planning Committee meeting will be held on Tues 21st December in the Memorial Hall face to face at 7pm to discuss and finalise the PC comments to WC Planning

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PLANNING REPORT RAMSBURY AND AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL –December 2021 Planning Applications Processed since November 2021 Report –

New applications-

- PL/2021/10698 Land adjacent to Whitton Lodge, Whittonditch Road Erection of new dwelling, car parking and landscaping etc
- PL/2021/11058 Dutch Barn, Knighton SN8 2QB Enclose both sides and back of existing barn with corrugated sheets.
- PL/2021/11182 Meadow Far Stud, Halfway Lane, Ramsbury. SN8 2PP Erection of replacement dwelling, car port etc

Still awaiting-

- 20/07498/FUL Anvil Cottage, Newtown Rd Remove barn and build new house.
Further information provided, but still not sufficient to approve.
- PL/2021/07132 Chandlers Barn Change of use from barn to Class E and alterations.
Hilldrop Lane. SN8 2HB
- PL/2021/08870 Springmead, Back Lane Garage.
- PL/2021/08942 Willow Cottage, Newtown Single storey side extension and new entrance
gate
- PL/2021/09665 The Tiled House, Preston 2 storey extension.
Gate Cottage, SN8 2QH
- PL/201/09807 1 Swans Close SN8 2PH Demolish existing porch and single storey side extension. Erect new porch and 2 storey ext.
- PL/2021/09604 Swans Close, Grass patch. Additional 6 bay parking next to existing.

Decisions-

- PL/2021/09158 8 Orchard Close, Ramsbury side and rear extensions with internal alterations.
Approved

B Finance

Erica Hodgson

Proposed budget for approval - EH proposed that the budget be increased to include higher water and electric bills and more for play equipment. EH stated that these were reasonable increases for these things. EH proposed that the Budget be increased to £69,936.00 , DB seconded this proposal and all the Councillors agreed. **Action - SG suggested that a 1 item agenda meeting be held on Tues 21st December before the Planning Meeting at 7pm. This meeting at 6.45pm would be to approve the Budget at a face to face meeting. All councillors agreed. SG to post dates on Tues 14th December. The precept request needs to be sent before the next PC meeting in January. All agreed.**

C Rights of Way

Lynn Jauncey

- (i) Footpath project – plans for this are going ahead, it will start in the new Year.
- (ii) Boundary Walk – Action – LJ to contact the Scouts and the Pre – School re. Refreshments.

D Play Areas and Seats*Denise Edwards*

Play areas committee met on 29th November to discuss the proposals for Knowledge Crescent replacement roundabout. Quotes from Sutcliffe, Rhino Play & HAG. We discussed in detail all quotes and would like to propose to full council Rhino Play £16,230.00 which is a complete project. Replacement inclusive roundabout with grass matting and installation of 3 new play boards on the mounded area. The quote expires on Christmas Eve of this year. DE proposed that £16,230.00 be spent on play equipment for Knowledge Crescent Play area, DB seconded this.

All councillors in favour.

All play areas in good order this month. **Action: SG to confirm order with Rhino Play**

F Emergency Committee*Alison Foale*

(i) Wardens list – now the PC has a new Electoral list it will be possible to select wardens from each street.

(ii) Emergency data base up to date as far as possible and new wardens will be able to help complete it.

(iii) Emergency plan-ideas – Both Axford and Ramsbury halls have generators which will provide light and heat in an emergency.

AF to look at other Councils' emergency plans for any ideas. Foil blankets?

Public Forum -Parish Council Standing Orders temporarily suspended for this item

No members of the public wished to speak

7 AXFORD

Diann Barnett/Simon Smith

2 street lights have still not been replaced.

More building work is happening at the Red Lion. **Action - DB to write to the enforcement officer again. JS asked to be copied into all communications**

8 WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Denise Edwards/Sheila Glass

New website will be organised in the New Year

9 NEW COUNCILLOR

Co-option - moved to Item 28

10 COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP

Sheila Glass

Report on meeting 9/12/21 – SG had attended the meeting. Action – In the spring slow signs will be painted at the top and bottom of the hill in Back Lane, near Knowledge Crescent and white lines painted down both sides of the road. A traffic survey has already been applied for.

11 MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD

Sheila Glass

Next meeting 11/1/22

12 ALLOTMENTS

Denise Edwards

The Allotment Society held their AGM on 30th November, unfortunately only 1 plot holder in attendance. Rentals are in the process of coming in. The site is looking as it should be for the time of year.

13 QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE JUNE 2022

14 VILLAGE FRESHERS DAY/VOLUNTEER EVENT 2022

Date set for April 23rd 2022

15 VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

(i) Christmas trees-permissions in place SSE notified – see A6663 and A6664. Action -SG had replaced the batteries in one tree and had ordered some new lights.

(ii) Traffic calming in Back Lane- see item 11

(iii) Reminder 20mph notices in Back Lane – Action - SG had seen some notices in Burford which read “it's 20mph for a reason” she had contacted Oxfordshire Council who would not help her. SG asked JS if WC did anything similar. He will enquire **Action:SG to send photo of sign to JS**

(iv) Rail on steps at Whittonditch play area – **Action – SG to get quotes**

- (v) Speed limit in Newtown Road-traffic survey approved – see A6657
- (vi) Work on Whittonditch Road – finished, done well and did not cause problems.
- (vii) BKV Dec report Karen Rees - Our BKV ideas thus far have been sent to SG for consideration and discussion in the New Year. Mark and I have put up the Christmas lights around the sign at the top of Whittonditch, the information box and the phone box.

Not sure the PC are aware that the road sign on Union Street (Newtown end) disappeared about a year ago and has to date not been replaced? There is also a very old and faded ‘Neighbourhood Watch’ sign on the post which perhaps should be taken down.

The WC engineer was supposed to review the flooding on the road next to the lay by on Whittonditch Road to assess what could be done to improve drainage. I’m conscious that winter is upon us and nothing has been done thus far. House number 21, adjacent to the field suffers from the flooding as the footpath into their home becomes water logged and there are 2 small children living there. Not ideal conditions for a young family. Last year the drains in the vicinity of the lay by were cleared by the council. I wonder if you can arrange for this to occur again?

Fly tipping on Crowood; we were told by a neighbour that she had spotted plastic bags and plastic industrial bottles along Crowood, the same place where the dirty nappies had been left some months ago. We mentioned this to LJ in passing that weekend. Mark then raised a ticket with WC and by the following weekend the litter had been removed. This matter was resolved in record time.

Once again, we’d both like to thank the Ramsbury Parish Council members for all their hard work and dedication to our village over this past year. We appreciate all you do for us. Happy Christmas to you all.

16 MEMORIAL GARDEN

All well

17 PARISH STEWARD’S ROTA

Road gritting etc in December - no rota

18 LIBRARY -no reports

19 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Electrical work completed. Frost protection water heater working well

20 MEMORIAL HALL

Sheila Glass/George Hawes

21 NATURE RESERVE

Chris Morgan

Nothing to report

22 RECREATION CENTRE

George Hawes

Nothing to report

23 RAMSBURY SCHOOL

Roger Greasley

199 pupils in attendance. There is space for 11 more pupils. School closes for the holiday on Friday 17th and re-opens on 4th January 2022. The Christmas Bazaar was well attended

24 VANDALISM

Damage in Memorial Garden – 3 posts have been broken. Action – SG has contacted R Copp to repair.

25 PATIENTS REP

George Hawes

Nothing to report. All news will be posted on the website.

26 NEW COUNCILLOR

Members of the public and the applicants left the meeting

Co-option - there were 3 applicants for the 1 post. After discussion SG asked all councillors to send her their votes by email and she would notify the Council and the new Councillor. **Update Matthew Tester was elected to the post.**

27 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

• PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS FOR DECEMBER 2021

	TOTAL	NET	VAT	S137
• I3549 Dobbies Garden Centre -	15.99	13.32	2.67	No DEB SG
• I3550 Zoom PRO for Parish Council Meetings	14.39	11.99	2.40	No DEB SG
• I3551 British Gas - Elec for Public Toilets 18 th Nov to 17 th Dec	20.00	19.05	0.95	No DD
• I3552 Plus Net Broadband Service December 2021 Broadband	15.91	13.26	2.65	No DD
• I3553 I&I IONOS Web Package Basic Fee December 2021 -website	8.39	6.99	1.40	No DD
• I3554 I&I IONOS Web Hosting Fee December 2021 - website (1&1 IONOS SSL 20/11/21 to 20/11/22 Pro Windows SSL Security Year)	46.79	38.99	7.80	No DD
• I3555 BT Q3 Bill	118.91	99.09	19.82	No DD
• I3556 Carol Standage November Salary 2021	416.22	416.22	0.00	No BACS
• I3557 Mary Holdsworth November Minute Taking	95.85	95.85	0.00	No BACS
• I3558 Coral Westall – December Public Conveniences Cleaning	160.00	160.00	0.00	No BACS
• I3559 Coral Westall – Q3 Office Cleaning	32.50	32.50	0.00	No BACS
• I3560 Idverde – Monthly charge Bin Empty	12.00	10.00	2.00	No BACS
• I3561 Ramsbury Memorial Hall – 6 Month Rent	636.25	636.25	0.00	No BACS
• I3562 Ramsbury Electrical – Wire in Water Heater Public Loos	133.46	111.21	22.25	No BACS
• I3563 Littleworth Plumbing & Heating- Public Loo Repair	649.00	649.00	0.00	No BACS
• I3564 Robert Copp – Grass mowing - Year Invoice	2384.00	2384.00	0.00	No BACS
• I3565 Poppy Appeal - Wreath - Remembrance Service	50.00	50.00	0.00	No CQ
• PAID OUT	4809.66	4747.72	61.94	

Final Accounts Prop SG sec. DB All in favour

• PAYMENTS RECEIVED				
• R549 Rent of Love's Lane allotment site: 2022	600.00	600.00	0.00	No FPO
• Total	600.00	600.00	0.00	

Bank Balance at 30th November 2021

Current Account £77,956.96

DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETINGS
SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY DEC 21ST 6.45PM IN MEMORIAL HALL
PLANNING COMMITTEE DEC 21ST 7PM MEMORIAL HALL
FULL COUNCIL MONDAY 17th JANUARY 2022
7.45PM VENUE TBA

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
YOU WILL BE WELCOME

