

RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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**You are invited to attend a meeting of the Parish Council
on Monday 17th August in Ramsbury Memorial Hall at 7.45pm**

Apologies to the Clerk please

A G E N D A

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - Councillors to declare interests

3 MINUTES of the meeting held on 20th July (circulated) - for approval.

Councillors have requested the following amendments to Item 12 Village Maintenance in the draft minutes :

- Re. the broken Oxford Street sign – AF and MW (not EH) noted the sign was lying on the ground and said they would report it on My Wilts. **ACTION – AF/MW**
- EH noted that the collapsed sign at the junction of Newtown Road and the B4192 had been removed and she had reported on MyWilts. **SG agreed to follow up on that and, having done so, has been advised “unfortunately they cannot give a timeline on the repair”.**

4 MATTERS ARISING not included in the Agenda

- **Councillors’ contact details on parish noticeboards – (circulated)**
Should we continue publicising their phone numbers? If so, do their numbers need updating?

5 NEW CORRESPONDENCE – items highlighted are not for discussion*

*The full list of incoming correspondence from 8th July-5th August can be viewed on the parish council website

Ref. No	Date Received	July-August 2026 From :	Subject *Highlighted for August meeting Agenda
A8688	08 July	Jason Lucas, Wilts CC Traffic Order Team	TTRO (for Openreach works) on part of C194 in Ramsbury commencing 14 Sept. Fwd. to Cllrs. For info.
A8690	09 July	Wilts CC Democratic & Member Services	Advertising for two new Co-opted Members of the Wilts Police & Crime Panel. Fwd. to Cllrs For info.
A8691	09 July	Martin Cook, N. Wilts Highway Engineer	Instruction to the contractor to refresh white line markings. Fwd. to Cllrs.
A8693	10 July	Wilts CC Strategic Planning	Timetable for the preparation & commencement of the Wilts Local Plan. Fwd. to Planning C. For info.
A8699	19 July	Emily Johnson, Wilts. Police	Q2 parish crime report. Fwd. to Cllrs.
A8700	23 July	Fred Rendell, Parish Steward Supervisor	Pictures of work done at steward’s June visit (already received). Sweeper has been requested for Knowledge Crescent gutters. Fwd. to Cllrs. PS’s pictures of his July visit were received on 7th Aug. and circulated to Cllrs on the same day. For info.

A8701	23 July	Danny Austin, CPRE Wilts, BKV Project	Confirming Ramsbury was not the winner of the Large Village category this year. Fwd. to Cllrs. For info.
A8702	23 July	Resident	Reporting severe damage to garden wall following grass verge mowing. DB replied giving details of whom to contact at Wilts CC so resident can deal with them direct.
A8706	24 July	Wiltshire Council News	Upgrade to Planning Public Register. Fwd to Cllrs. For info.
A8707	27 July	Simon Garrett, Wilts Police	Rescheduling police public consultation, PCSO being off work long-term.
A8708	27 July	Helen Broughton, Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments (SAAA)	Introduction of new digital AGAR portal, expected to become mandatory for the 2029 AGAR submission.
A8710	28 July	Resident	Reporting dog poo bags are being left in the grass verge on the cut through near the surgery from the park to the footpath.
A8712	29 July	Resident	Speeding traffic at the Crowood Lane crossing point. DB replied
A8713	29 July	Jake Hartley, Wilts CC Traffic Management Team	TTRN re. urgent closure of part of Newtown Road for WCC to carry out removal and maintenance of trees commencing 24 August. Fwd. to Cllrs. For info.
A8714	30 July	Andy Cole, Chief Fire Office, D&W Fire & Rescue	Re. securing fire station funding in 2027 precept by asking local MP to support an increase in the next Local Government Finance Settlement. Fwd. to Cllrs. For info.
A8717	01 Aug	Resident	Reporting poor installation of manhole cover, below road level, by the old Crown & Anchor, is a hazard to cyclists and pedestrians. DB replied and advised reporting on MyWilts.
A8722	04 Aug	Anna McBride, Wilts CC Strategic Planning Officer	Request that we review the availability of facilities they have compiled for our parish to confirm if it is accurate and up to date before 11 Sept. Fwd. to Planning C.
A8723	04 Aug	Wiltshire Council News	Work has started on new Local Plan. Fwd. to Planning C. For info.
A8724	05 Aug	Jason Lucas, Wilts CC Traffic Order Team	TTRO for part of C206 in Ramsbury (for Thames Water repairs and other works) commencing 26 Oct. Fwd to Cllrs. For info.
A8725	05 Aug	Resident	Need more signage to deter massive trucks from using the High Street. DB replied and is looking into it.

6 COMMITTEE REPORTS

(i) Finance

Erica Hodgson

- Quotes for pavement repairs

(ii) Planning

Diann Barnett

PLANNING REPORT RAMSBURY AND AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL – Aug 2026

Planning Applications Processed since July 2026 report

New applications-

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| • PL/2026/04174 | Whittonditch House | Single-storey extension |
| • PL/2026/04359 | Maslin Close, Ramsbury | Treework |
| • PL/2026/04526 | Snellswood Dairy. W'ditch | Lean-to extension to animal unit. |
| • PL/2026/04230 | The Boot, Scholards lane | Treework |
| • PL/2026/04655 | Manor Farm, Ramsbury | Glazed extension. |

Still awaiting-

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| • PL/2025/01559 | Upcott Field, Whittonditch Rd | 9 houses and associated works. This application layout has been amended. |
| • PL/2025/09169 | West House, Ramsbury | Internal alterations, window change |
| • PL/2026/00995 | Bungalow, Whittonditch | Extension and remove S52 |
| • PL/2026/01214 | Dove Cottage, Axford | Loft space conversion + dormer windows |
| • PL/2026/03590 | Riverside Cottage, Axford | Retrospective 6 ft fence |
| • PL/2026/03716 | 51, High St, Ramsbury | Remove existing outhouse and rebuild |
| • PL/2026/04025 | 1, High St, Ramsbury | Change of use of shop + conservatory |
| • PL/2026/04088 | Downside, 4, High St, | Pollard willow |
| • PL/2026/04114 | Holy Cross, Ramsbury | Treework |

Decisions-

PL/2026/02746	Swansdown, Axford	Alterations and rear extension. APPROVED
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(iii) Rights of Way	<i>Doug Greenway</i>
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(iv) Play Areas and Seats	<i>Denise Edwards</i>
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- Repairs to Knowledge Crescent equipment and the bench by the bus stop are complete.
- Preferred quote for new birds nest swing at Knowledge Crescent
- Report file for monthly playground checks

(v) Emergency Committee	<i>Alison Foale</i>
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- Generator fuel
- SSE grant refund
- CPR training course in September
- Emergency Plan update

(vi) Environment Committee	<i>Maggie Waugh</i>
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Public Forum - Parish Council Standing Orders temporarily suspended for this item

7	AXFORD	<i>Di Barnett</i>
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8	ALLOTMENTS	<i>Denise Edwards</i>
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9	VANDALISM/CRIME	<i>Di Barnett</i>
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10	VILLAGE MAINTENANCE	<i>Di Barnett</i>
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- Village scheme to adopt a bench or a planter

11	EXTERNAL MEETINGS	<i>Di Barnett</i>
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- Next Local Highways & Footways Improvement Group meeting will be held on 10/09/26
- Next Marlborough Area Board meeting will be held on 6th Oct at Winterbourne Monkton
- Our PCSO did not turn up to the police community consultation on 22nd July 7-8pm. When DB complained we were told she is on long-term sick leave, yet no-one had seen fit to inform us. DB is trying to arrange another consultation for Sat 26th Sept with a different officer, but this remains TBC.

12 PARISH STEWARD'S ROTA
Next visit scheduled for 3rd September

13 MEMORIAL HALL & MEMORIAL GARDEN

Helen Lloyd/Sheila Glass

14 NATURE RESERVE

Chris Morgan

15 DATA FROM SIDS

Sheila Glass

16 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT IN AUGUST

Inv. No	Payments to Suppliers – Aug 2026	Amount	Net	VAT	Paid By	S137
I4540	HMRC – Clerk's income tax and PC Employer's NI. Paid in July	556.16	556.16	0.00	DD	No
I4541	Waitrose – thank you gift for IT support to G Curtis. Paid in July	31.00	25.83	5.17	VisaDebit	No
I4542	Waitrose – internal auditor's thank you gift. Paid in July	50.00	50.00	0.00	VisaDebit	No
I4543	Kedel – materials for repairing Knowledge Crescent bench. Paid in July	183.57	152.97	30.60	VisaDebit	No
I4544	Jeremy Hawkins – treeworks in The Paddocks. Paid in July	660.00	550.00	110.00	BACS	No
I4545	Coral Westall – public loo cleaning in Aug (incl. back-pay)	325.00	325.00	0.00	BACS	No
I4546	Castle Water – water charges for public loo in July	120.07	120.07	0.00	BACS	No
I4547	Robert Copp – mowing paths and watering apple trees in May	238.00	238.00	0.00	BACS	No
I4548	Lloyds Business Banking – Bank Charges in Aug	4.25	4.25	0.00	DD	No
I4549	WALC – Planning Enforcement & Appeals training course fee	36.00	30.00	6.00	BACS	No
I4550	BT – phone & broadband Aug-Oct	222.35	185.29	37.06	DD	No
I4551	Donation to Charity Shop for repairing Knowledge Cres. bench	100.00	100.00	0.00	BACS	No
I4552	Helen Lloyd – expenses reclaim for cost of scanning Mem Hall archive documents for the PC's records	11.00	9.17	1.83	BACS	No
	TOTAL (excl. Clerk's salary I4553)	£2,537.40	£2,346.74	£190.66		
	*TOTAL AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT on 31st July 2026	£128,365.69				
	incl. gross interest earned Dec 2022 to 31 st July 2026	£7,365.69				
	INCOME					
	Charity shop rent	£320.00				
	Memorial Hall share of broadband	9.60				
	TOTAL INCOME	£329.60				
	Current A/c balance at 31st July 2026	£5,632.64				

*This sum includes monies held in reserve for parish initiatives such as the Ramsbury Flyer, defibrillators, provision of play equipment, pavement and road repairs, etc.

DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 21st SEPTEMBER at 7.45pm at RAMSBURY MEMORIAL HALL
ALL ARE WELCOME