

RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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**You are invited to attend a meeting of the Parish Council
on Monday 16th February in Ramsbury Memorial Hall at 7.45pm**

Apologies to the Clerk please

AGENDA

- 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - H. Lloyd; M Tester
- 2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS - Councillors to declare interests
- 3 MINUTES of the meeting held on 19th January (circulated) - for approval
- 4 MATTERS ARISING not included in the Agenda
- 5 **NEW CORRESPONDENCE** – items highlighted for discussion

*The full list of incoming correspondence from 12th Jan- 6th Feb. can be viewed on the parish council website

Ref. No	Date Received	January-February 2026 From :	Subject *Highlighted for Discussion
A8500	27 Jan	Fred Rendell, Parish Steward Supervisor (ii)	Temporary suspension of PS visits until further notice, to attend to pothole repairs. Fwd to Cllrs.
A8509	30 Jan	Kieran Elliott, Wilts CC Democratic Services (ii)	Noting the name of the parish is Ramsbury (not Ramsbury & Axford, and asking if that is a change the PC would like to make. Fwd. to Cllrs.
A8511	02Feb	Andrew Jack, Wilts CC	Ramsbury has been identified by Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure fund as a priority target area for funding of on-street EV charging. Invitation to attend a community engagement meeting on 25 Feb. Fwd. to Environment C.
A8514	03 Feb	Andy Elliott, Fire & Rescue Service Association	Asking about PC's position on the closure of Ramsbury Fire Station and what steps the PC might take to oppose what is a 16% reduction across our area, and seek more protection and resilience in this already high risk area. Fwd to Cllrs.
A8518	04Feb	Roger Turnbull	Querying whether PL/2025/09448 will be discussed at our meeting on 16/02/26. Forwarded to DB
A8519	05 Feb	Google Analytics	Website traffic report in Jan. Fwd to Cllrs.
A8520	05Feb	Clerk to Aldbourne Parish Council	Suggesting that Ramsbury and Aldbourne councils liaise to object to proposal to close Ramsbury fire Station. See item 14
A8523	06 Feb	Wiltshire & Swindon Community Foundation	Leaflet re 2026 University Bursaries - leaflet posted on noticeboards, will advertise in WW & Village Diary. Fwd. to Cllrs.

6	FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT	<i>Erica Hodgson</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corrected Q3 report for approval • Spending proposal to fence Ashley Piece play area • Standing Orders, Asset Register and Financial Risk Analysis for approval • Pavements for repair • Payroll services from April 2026 	
7	PLAY AREAS AND SEATS REPORT	<i>Denise Edwards</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee meeting to be arranged 	
8	ALLOTMENTS REPORT	<i>Denise Edwards</i>
9	RIGHTS OF WAY COMMITTEE REPORT	<i>Doug Greenway</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of Feb. circular walk • Hedges on bridleway 28 • Update on preparations for Boundary walk on Sunday 3rd May • Lofts Bridge 	
10	EMERGENCY COMMITTEE REPORT	<i>Alison Foale</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of Committee meeting on 11/02/26 • SSE Grant for new generators for Memorial Hall and Axford Village Hall has been received • Emergency database – DB's review of progress • Quotes for new defibrillator for Whittonditch Road phone box • Purchase of new walkie talkies • Generators for halls/removal of old generators 	
11	VILLAGE MAINTENANCE	<i>Sheila Glass/Diann Barnett</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on redeployable CCTV demonstration • Grit bin for Chapel Lane • Wheelie bins at Saxon Forge 	
12	NATURE RESERVE	<i>Chris Morgan</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report of Flood risk meeting 	
13	COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW (circulated)	<i>Sheila Glass</i>
14	CLOSURE OF RAMSBURY FIRE STATION	<i>Sheila Glass</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters sent to Fire Service authority members, etc. 	
	<u>Public Forum - Parish Council Standing Orders temporarily suspended for this item</u>	
15	AXFORD	<i>Di Barnett</i>

16 PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT*Di Barnett***PLANNING REPORT RAMSBURY AND AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL – Feb 2026**

Planning Applications Processed since January 2026 report

New applications-

- PL/2026/00104 Knypersley, 79 High St Alterations and extension to rear.
- PL/2026/00597 Susie Watson, The Square Change of use to residential.

Still awaiting-

- PL/2025/01559 Upcott Field, Whittonditch Rd 9 houses and associated works. This application layout has been amended.
- PL/2025/08376 Crown and Anchor Delicence, change of use.
- PL/2025/08684 Land rear of 36 Oxford St Detached 3 bed bungalow.
- PL/2025/09209 9 Union Street Create off-street parking
- PL/2025/09169 West House, Ramsbury Internal alterations, window change
- PL/2025/09011 West House, Ramsbury Swimming pool and garden shed
- PL/2025/09376 42/43 Oxford Street Proposed garage.
- PL/2025/09823 1 High St, Ramsbury Change of use, remodel and conservatory

Decisions-

- PL/2025/09502 The Old Tannery, High St Treework APPROVED
- PL/2025/06883 Coombe Farm, Axford Self-build house, garaging, tennis court with Landscaping, demolishing modern farm buildings. APPROVED
- PL/2025/09620 19 Isles Road Treework APPROVED
- 3357357 Red Lion enforcement appeal NC
- 3362810 Red Lion planning appeal NC Land at Lamplands, enforcement notified and in progress.

Planning Inspectorate have been contacted regarding a year's wait for outcome of Red Lion, their response was that they are behind and working through the backlog.

17 PLAY AREAS AND SEATS REPORT*Denise Edwards*

- Committee meeting to be arranged

18 ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT*Maggie Waugh*

- Zoom meeting re funding for EV chargers on 25/02/26

19 MEMORIAL HALL*Helen Lloyd***20 LOCAL HIGHWAYS & FOOTWAYS IMPROVEMENT GROUP***Sheila Glass*

- Any feedback so far on experimental one-way system in Union Street?
- Report of meeting held on 05/02/26

21 MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD*Sheila Glass***22 TOWN & PARISH CLERKS MEETING***Sheila Glass*

- Report on meeting 22/01/26

23 PARISH STEWARD'S ROTA

- Rota suspended until further notice (repairing potholes)

24 VANDALISM/CRIME

- Vandalism in public loo
- Police consultation arranged for 30/03/26 at 11am in the British Legion

25 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT IN FEBRUARY

Inv. No	Payments to Suppliers – February 2026	Amount	Net	VAT	Paid By	S137
I4428	HMRC – PAYE & Employer's NI on Clerk's salary. Paid in Jan.	556.16	556.16	0.00	DD	No
I4429	Toolstation – New wireless doorbell for PC office. Paid in Jan.	8.99	7.49	1.50	VisaDebit	No
I4430	M J Baker Accountancy – payroll fee for January	11.25	11.25	0.00	DD	No
I4431	Idverde Ltd - Bin emptying in January	22.20	18.50	3.70	BACS	No
I4432	Coral Westall – public loo cleaning in February	200.00	200.00	0.00	BACS	No
I4433	Postage – first class stamps x 4	6.80	6.80	0.00	VisaDebit	No
I4434	Lloyds Business Banking – Bank Charges in Feb	4.75	4.75	0.00	DD	No
I4435	Castle Water – water charges for public loo in Jan	42.82	42.82	0.00	BACS	No
I4436	BT – Phone & Broadband Feb - April	193.00	160.83	32.17	DD	No
TOTAL (excl. Clerk's salary I4437)		£1,045.97	£1,008.60	£37.37		
TOTAL AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT on 31st January 2026*		£102,489.36				
incl. gross interest earned Dec 2022 to 31 st Dec 2025		£6,489.56				
INCOME						
	Charity shop rent	£320.00				
	December SO for Memorial Hall broadband	9.60				
	SSE – grant for new generators. Received in January	5789.00				
	HMRC – VAT reclaim March-December 2025	9,383.57				
TOTAL INCOME		£15,502.17				
	Current A/c balance at 31st January 2026	£9,601.39				

*This 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 16TH MARCH 2026 at 7.45pm at AXFORD VILLAGE HALL

ALL ARE WELCOME