

# **RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

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## **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017 in Ramsbury Memorial Hall**

**PRESENT:** Diann Barnett, Denise Edwards, Sheila Glass (Chairman), George Hawes, Erica Hodgson, Helen Lloyd, Christopher Payne, Ron Young, Terence Brown, S. Arnold (outgoing Clerk), G. Woodward (new Clerk), Graeme Fearon, and 4 members of the public, reducing to 1 after the pre-school presentation.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FOR APPROVAL:**

Erica Hodgson, Helen Lloyd and Chris Morgan.

**2. DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE BY COUNCILLORS ELECTED UNOPPOSED:**

None outstanding.

**3. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST:**

There were none.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017:**

The Chairman asked if there were any amendments to any of the pages before approval.

C. Payne asked if the wording on page 1313 last para of point 3 could be changed to read – C. Payne expressed concern about the traffic problems.

Page 1318 item 11 WW1 Anniversary 2018 second line - it is not a community orchard but rather a wood.

Page 1319 item 21 Allotments - everything is going well as opposed to nothing to report.

The June Minutes were then approved following the amendment to the wording described above.

Proposed – R. Young, Seconded – C. Payne.

**5. NEW CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION:**

				Action/Comment
A2147	19/06/2017	Mr Sherlock	Asking for the hedge on footpath 39 to be reduced to enable memorial bench to have its original view. S. Glass responded will talk to Mr Sherlock.	<b>S. Glass has spoken to owner of the hedge who is not prepared to trim it as he has heard nothing from the seat owner for many years.</b>
A2151	19/06/2017	Wilts C	Ref A2118 invoice for Open Space payment. Raised too soon and will raise Again prior to occupation of house.	
A2153	19/06/2017	CAB Wilts	Letter from CEO to Ramsbury PC to consider a grant towards CAB funding.	<b>It was decided not to give any grant money to CAB at this time.</b>
A2165	26/06/2017	Wilts C	Email to Wilts C from S. Glass re request for barrier where Back Lane meets Isles Road. Forwarded to PC councillors. Wilts C response that it is a MAB issue but S. Glass concerned that next mtg not until Sept.	<b>S. Glass will reply to the person with the concern advising her to follow the matter up with Wilts Council herself.</b>
A2170	27/06/2017	J. Page	Complaint about dog mess near Watersmeet suggesting better signage and a bin.	<b>S. Glass will make more signs and also provide bags – and put notices in the Diary, Whittonways, etc.</b>
A2171	27/06/2017	CPRE Wilts	Best Kept Village first round results showing Ramsbury 5 <sup>th</sup> .	<b>H. Lloyd has drafted a notice for the Diary and Whittonways.</b>
A2172	27/06/2017	JB Youth Services	Proposal for mobile youth club in Ramsbury asking for info on best location, etc – to be discussed at PC meeting.	<b>It was agreed to ask Jenny Bowley to come to the next meeting or when she can, to speak to the Parish Council about her plans.</b>

A2182	30/06/2017	Wilts C	Response re Ringway's too high quote. Confirmed Idverde to carry out work on Back Lane. S. Glass hopeful of progress with Idverde.	<b>Idverde now on course to do the work – at half the price.</b>
A2189	03/07/2017	Helen Stone	Enquiry about ownership of PC Noticeboard, bus timetable and 20 mph sign outside Windsor House. S. Glass responded	<b>No further action.</b>
A2197	07/07/2017	Nick Swan	Wilts Rural Broadband rollout process update.	<b>Same as previous month.</b>
A2198	07/07/2017	Michael Handford	Benches on path between Bleeding Horse and the Manor.	<b>It was agreed that a notice should go out asking parishioners asking for volunteers to 'adopt a bench' for maintenance.</b>
A2201	04/07/2017	P. Kearns	Letter to PC <i>for info only</i> that he has written to Wilts C about dangerous drains on Whites Hill.	<b>Covers have now been replaced.</b>
A2202	04/07/2017	Wilts C	In response to S. Glass complain re drain covers on Manor Hill – highlighted for replacement later this year. Copy sent to P. Kearns.	
A2205	07/07/2017	Allan Davison	Permissive footpath Whittonditch Road overgrown with nettles, etc. S. Glass spoke to R. Copp who has done 2 <sup>nd</sup> cut.	<b>The work has been done and the path is now completely walkable again.</b>
A2207	07/07/2017	Averil Finn	Dangerous metal spikes at The Knap.	<b>S. Glass will knock the spikes back as a short-term solution.</b>
A2208	07/07/2017	Carol Howard	Mobile shredding van service.	<b>This was generally thought to be a good idea and S. Glass will follow up for further information.</b>
A2209	07/07/2017	Tim Gauntlett	Request for Freedom of Information Act re siting of SSIDs.	<b>Clerk to write to Mr Gauntlett asking for clarification as to which Council he is requesting information from.</b>

## 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

### A Planning:

Chairman: Helen Lloyd

#### Planning Applications Processed since June 2017 Report

#### NEW ITEMS:

Report date w/e	App. Number	Site location	Proposal	Comments REQ. date
23/6/17	17/05190/FUL	Loves Lane Stables, Loves Farm, Loves Lane, Ramsbury Wiltshire SN8 2HD	Permanent Equestrian Workers Dwelling	19/07/17
30/6/17	17/05321/FUL	Evelyn House, 7 High Street, Ramsbury Marlborough SN8 2PA	Replace garden-facing window at the end of extension with a set of doors.	27/07/17

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	17/05767/FUL	Red Lion, Axford, Wiltshire SN8 2HA	Full planning application for a new dwelling on land forming part of the curtilage of the Red Lion Inn, following previous approval 15/09840/FUL. The new changes are dwelling higher by 800mm, velux windows to roof and habitable room in loft.	28/7/17
	17/05890/LBC	Evelyn House 7 High Street Ramsbury Marlborough SN8 2PA	Replace garden-facing window at the end of extension with a set of doors	27/7/17

### STILL AWAITED:

19/5/17	17/03796/LBC	1 Oakes House, High Street, RAMSBURY, SN8 2QP	Removal of internal walls	15/06/17 PC – No Ob
26/5/17	17/02996/FUL	Carisbrooke Stud (formerly Raffin Stud), West Foley, Chilton Foliat, Wiltshire RG17 0TN	Erection of replacement Stud Director's dwelling and new assistant stud manager's house with additional groom's accommodation, in association with new thoroughbred stud buildings and associated works	29/06/17

### DECISIONS:

Report date w/e	App. Number	Site location	Proposal	Decision and date
19/5/17	17/04160/FUL	Eastridge House, Eastridge Ramsbury Wiltshire SN8 2HJ	New garden wall - Full Planning - PC had no Objections	Approved with conditions 16/6/17
12/5/17	17/03674/FUL	Loves Farm, Loves Lane, Ramsbury Wiltshire SN8 2HD	Application for a temporary equestrian workers dwelling – Full Planning – PC had no objections	Approved with conditions 22/6/17
12/05/17	17/00378/FUL	Balak Farm, Marridge Hill Ramsbury Wiltshire SN8 2HG	Demolition of existing glazed roof conservatory of approx 21 sq m and replacement with conservatory with flat roof and glazed elevation of approx 32.5 sq m – Full planning – PC had no objections	Approved with conditions 27/6/17
19/5/17	17/03726/FUL	Watersmeet, Mill Lane, Ramsbury SN8 2RE	Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of new single storey kitchen extension Full planning – PC had objections	Approved with conditions 29/6/17

The Red Lion planning application has been called to Committee. There is still concern about the height of the roof and that work is still ongoing. General feeling is that Wiltshire Council planning too lenient. C. Payne is on a planning training course tomorrow so will try and raise the item. H. Lloyd is also on a course fairly soon and will try and do likewise. Both S. Glass and H. Lloyd will be attending the Committee meeting.

The Laurel Garage amendment is for a 2 bed bungalow to replace one of the three bedroom houses.

Whittonditch houses – progressing but keeping an eye on the work.

Ambrose Farm – S. Glass and H. Lloyd met with the owner who wants to take the whole of the rear hotch-potch extensions off and rebuild it on one level. The front won't change at all. This has now gone to planning.

Draft Wiltshire Housing Spatial plan – not many changes to this. The PC planning committee should discuss this.  
**S.Glass and H. Lloyd to organise.**

## **B Finance:**

**Chairman: Erica Hodgson**

The quarterly report had been circulated prior to the meeting. There were no comments or queries.

## **C Rights of Way:**

**Chairman: Terry Brown**

Horses at Springs Hill - owner of the horses Peter Wilson was at the meeting and reported that he didn't think the right of way was being compromised by the fencing and there had been no complaints since the last meeting. He told the meeting that the horses would be moved to the other side of the hill at the end of July.

Permissive footpath – the work to clear this of nettles, blackthorn roots etc has been done at the cost of £288.00. It is now walkable again . Need to keep an eye on it.

T. Brown asked about the problem of 4x4s speeding through the ford by Riverside and Rachel's Cottage. There was some discussion on this and S. Glass reported that she had written to the owner of the cottages Mrs Evans and is waiting for her response.

## **D Play Area and Seats:**

**Chairman: Simon Smith**

S. Smith reported that it is looking good and should finish in the next few days. Very pleased with the work.

## **E Emergency Commiittee:**

**Chairman: Diann Barnett**

Nothing new to report other than the next meeting will be around September time.

## **F Recreation Centre:**

**George Hawes**

There have been no meetings.

## **G Policy Committee:**

**Chairman: Sheila Glass**

Nothing to report.

## **PUBLIC FORUM - Standing Orders Suspended for this item**

3 members of the public were present

Mr Paul Segal reported from the Pre-school saying that work will be starting next week. He asked whether the hedge could be trimmed and a barrier erected as discussed in June's meeting to avoid a repeat of the near-accident when a child on a scooter nearly ended up on Back Lane as there is no barrier to stop this happening. There was discussion about whether a barrier is actually the solution with many feeling that it is the parents' responsibility to control their children although it was agreed to look into the proposal further. R. Young suggested that the end of the hedge could be removed which would he thought improve visibility by 100% into Back lane from Isles Road. S. Glass agreed to look into this.

R. Young was also concerned about construction work traffic and requested that something be included in the contractors' contract stating that they must not park their vehicles in Isles Road itself. He will circulate the letter he has written to the pre-school about his concerns.

Mr Segal told the meeting that they have used Parentmail to ask all parents to be sensible about parking during the construction phase.

Mr Adrian Dodds who lives opposite the proposed Laurel Garage building attended the meeting as he is concerned about the revised application at Laurel Garage. His property is directly opposite the site next to Maslins Close and as such, is lower than the Laurel Garage proposed building. He was in total agreement that the village needs more smaller affordable houses but is concerned that the residents affected haven't been listened to and their concerns not adequately

addressed – particularly in terms of lack of privacy. The proposed new houses will look directly onto his property for example. If they could be set back a bit further it would make a lot of difference although S. Glass responded that if this was the case then it would mean that this would reduce parking on the site.

Traffic and parking was another concern raised by Mr. Dodds. There is to be a new pavement built along with the houses and whilst this is a positive thing, it means the width of the road becomes even narrower than it presently is with the result that there will be even more congestion and poor driving, with drivers mounting the pavement and parking along the pavement. He wondered if having a layby for passing could help this. He recently met with Wilts Council planning officer on-site who shared his concerns. Mr Dodds asked the PC to look at their comments again.

**7. AXFORD:**

**Diann Barratt**

D. Barnett reported on the recent Open Gardens day in Axford which took over £700 at the gate. The broadband situation remains the same as last month.

**8. MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD (MAB):**

**Sheila Glass**

Nothing to report yet as meeting tomorrow – 18<sup>th</sup> July.

**9. CATG MEETNG:**

**Sheila Glass and Diann Barratt**

S. Glass attended the June 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting – nothing to report. Pavement repairs ongoing.

**10. WW1 ANNIVERSARY 2018:**

Street fair including exhibition to be on June 23<sup>rd</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> 2018. The WI is going to knit 335 poppies which will form an ‘installation’ and be on general view.

**11. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS:**

No-one has applied so no action.

**12. COMMITTEES 2017-8:**

The updated lists have been circulated.

**13. PARISH STEWARD SCHEME:**

S.Glass reported that a road sweeper will be used to sweep the pavement by the Church rooms in Back Lane. Weed spraying has taken place and their attention was drawn to a blocked gully in Newtown Road which will be cleared when the gully cleaner is next scheduled to visit.

**14. BINS IN STREETS:**

S. Glass reported that information about this will be in the Diary, Whittonways and on the PC website.

**15. BEST KEPT VILLAGE:**

This has already been discussed in current correspondence so nothing to add.

**16. PRE-SCHOOL:**

Already discussed in Public Forum.

**17. WEBSITE:**

S. Glass has asked Graham Curtis to look after the PC computer. S. Glass and G. Woodward to meet with Dave Leake who currently looks after the website to hand over to G. Woodward at some point.

**18. BRITISH LEGION BRANCH:**

The Legion will arrange a letter re donations to the PC in August.

**19. LIBRARY:**

Nothing to report.

**20. ALLOTMENTS:**

D. Edwards reported that following recent meeting, 2 plots are on a 30-day notice and there are new people on the waiting list.

**21. TELEPHONE KIOSKS:**

Nothing to report

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**22. NATURE RESERVE:**

Nothing to report.

**23. TREE LIGHTS:**

S. Glass reported that she has made some progress on the matter of the tree lights.

**24. POLICE REPORT:**

This has been circulated to all councillors and S. Glass made a point of emphasising the fact that there have been a lot of non-dwelling burglaries and to be aware of this.

**25. MEMORIAL HALL:**

Nothing to report

**26. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES:**

Nothing to report

**27. KENNET TRIANGLE:**

S.Glass confirmed that the dog thought to have been bitten by an adder was **not** on the Triangle but rather along at Seven Bridges so the notices were not actually necessary. New signage has been put at the Triangle with photographs of grass snake and adder.

**28. PATIENTS' REP:**

G Hawes reported that the surgery had won an award for their Carers Support .

**29. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

	Items for July 2017 meeting	TOTAL	VAT	S137	Incl in Budget
I2732	British Gas- Electricity for Public Conveniences (DD2) a/c is £19.00 in credit	26.00	1.38	No	Y
I2733	PlusNet - Broadband Service(DD4)	12.99	2.16	No	Y
I2734	Wiltshire Wildlife - rent	10.00	0	No	Y
I2735	S. Arnold – stamps, envs and postage	22.39	0	No	Y
I2736	C. Morgan – petrol for brush cutter Nature Reserve	5.70	0.95	No	Y
I2737	S. Arnold – CDs for office computer backups	9.99	1.66	No	Y
I2738	S. Arnold – 1&1 Ltd WP package	4.79	0.80	No	Y
I2739	S. Arnold – Marlborough Photo	24.00	4.00	No	Y
I2740	G. Woodward – July salary	465.36	0	No	Y
I2741	G. Woodward – notebook for Minutes (Wilko)	2.15	0.36	No	Y
I2742	G. Woodward – Desk Diary/Hole punch/Ruler/Cork pin board (all WH Smith)	16.97	2.83	No	Y
I2743	S. Glass – flowers for Mem Gdn and vouchers for outgoing Clerk (Yewtree Gdn Centre)	60.00	10.00	No	Y
I2744	S. Glass – Card for outgoing Clerk (PO)	1.60	0.27	No	Y
	<b>As at 5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>661.94</b>	24.41		

**Plus LATE invoices for payment:**

I2745	Thunanish newspapers for Library 17/6/17 to 8/7/2017	11.40	0	No	Y
I2746	Idverde cleaning public conveniences	844.92	140.82	No	Y
I2747	R. A. Copp	288.00	0	No	Y
		<b>1144.32</b>	140.82		
	<b>TOTAL for payment</b>	<b>1806.26</b>	165.23		

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Proposed for payment: S. Smith and seconded by D. Edwards. All in favour.

**30. Payments received:**

None at time of meeting.

**31. Bank Balance:**

As at 03/07/2017 Current A/C: £34,427.88

Business Savings A/C balance not received yet

**DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING**

**MONDAY 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2017**

**at 19.45 pm**

**in**

**RAMSBURY MEMORIAL HALL**

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