

# **RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

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## 1334

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18th September 2017 in Ramsbury Memorial Hall

**PRESENT:** Sheila Glass (Chairman), Mary Holdsworth (Acting Clerk), D Barnett, Christopher Payne, Simon Smith, Denise Edwards, George Hawes, Helen Lloyd, Chris Morgan, Ron Young, Terry Brown, Erica Hodgson, Greame Fearon, James Sheppard. (C Councillor)  
 1 member of the public

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE and DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST:**

No apologies  
 There were 3 disclosures of interest.

**2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> August 2017** (document PC 21/08/17/01):

The Chairman asked if there were any amendments to any of the pages before approval.  
 There were no amendments and the minutes were passed as accurate.

Proposed by C Morgan and seconded by T Brown. All in favour.

**Jennifer Bowley- Mobile Youth Club** – Qualified Youth worker is looking to set up youth sessions in villages around Marlborough, Ramsbury, Baydon, Lockeridge. Funding from MAB. 1 session a month, with a pilot scheme of 6 months with sessions on cooking, sports, pottery, drumming, graffiti and a pizza party. The needs of the young people will be evaluated throughout, with a view to continuing if needed. It will be staffed by 3 qualified adults. Any adult volunteers will have DBS checks (free). It will start in Jan 2018 and be well advertised beforehand. Transport for young people could be provided by DBS checked W.C.taxi drivers. The members of the Parish Council were in favour of this but suggested that volunteer help may not be easily found.

**Action: Clerk to email details of Rec Centre contact and Memorial Hall, Scout Hall and Church Room booking secretaries.**

**3. NEW CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION** (document PC 18/09/2017/01):

The document had been circulated prior to the meeting and the Chairman asked if there were any items which needed further discussion and/or action.. The following items were highlighted:

				<b>Action/Comment</b>
A2312	23/8/2017	James Sheppard	Confirmation that Red Lion planning should go before committee on October 5 <sup>th</sup> . f/wd to <b>Councillors</b>	<b>S Glass to attend meeting 2pm. H Lloyd will notify committee that SG wishes to speak</b>
A2318	25/8/17	Ben Tottenham	Asking if parents and general public need notification of the sand discovery in the pre-school building works causing a delay, further costs, etc. f/wd to <b>S. Glass</b>	<b>It is not necessary to do this</b>
A2319	25/8/17	Marilyn Fremlin	Sent photo highlighting rubbish problem in the village in response to the Best Kept Village result. f/wd to <b>S. Glass</b>	<b>S Glass had responded to this and visited the site and found the rubbish had been cleared.</b>
A2324	2/9/17	M Fremlin	.Rat problem.	<b>S Glass had spoken to her about this. James Sheppard informed meeting that there is a WC website – <a href="mailto:pestcontrol@wiltshire.gov.uk">pestcontrol@wiltshire.gov.uk</a></b>
A2330	3/9/17	Jane Handford	Whittonditch play area – thank you. <b>Clerk responded with her thanks</b>	<b>SG's grandchildren had also enjoyed it at the weekend</b>
A2333	4/9/17	Wilts C	Notice of Parish Steward visits Sept – Dec f/wd <b>S. Glass</b>	<b>S Glass asked all councillors to advise her if they felt anything</b>

				needed doing. SG had already advised them of the pot holes at the top of Whittonditch Rd.
A2338	4/9/17	Lucy Stonestreet	Re bicycle security stamping – police can no longer do. f/wd to Councillors	bikeregister.com – able to register numbers for free and if stolen bicycles are recovered police can trace owners.
A2341	5/9/17	Averil Finn	Request for Walkers on Road red warning triangle Newtown Road/Halfway f/wd to Councillors	S Glass agreed this was a good idea. She had sourced signs that comply with UK Highways regs £38 each. S Glass proposed that the Parish Council buy 2 signs and erect them. Sec D Edwards, all councillors agreed.
A2350	7/9/17	Rosemary Triptree	Dog walkers must carry 2 bags. S. Glass df/wd to Wilts C to revive previous discussions about this.	S Glass had raised this problem of dog poo at MAB
A2351	11/9/17	Idverde	Whittonditch play area completed. Back Lane pavement start date 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Work on Whittonditch play area is completed. Pavement to be completed during half term
A2355	11/9/17	Function 28	Websites – Transparency code rules	G Fearon discussed this. It was suggested that Clerk sends out Agendas, Minutes etc as a blind copy. BCC.
A2360	11/9/17	S Glass	Reply to Clerk re. call from Environmental Health Officer from WC re solar panel activated sign.	Environmental Health officer confirmed that solar panels are not within their remit and will advise complainant accordingly
A2362	12/9/17	Santander	New Change of detail forms	Forms supplied by Santander had been completed and sent to Santander. Santander has sent new change of details forms for both accounts to be completed. Signatories to complete tonight.
A2363	12/9/17	WC	J Fooks – Confirming up to date distribution list for planning lists	Planning office is now sending all weekly details to each member of PC planning committee
A2367	12/9/17	Alistair Ewing	Request for extra funding for Broadband in Axford.	S Glass proposed that £3000 as budgeted be paid tonight. (See A2368). £3000 be precepted to be paid in April 2018, £3000 precepted for payment in April 2019. All money in Budget. £1200 CIL money from Red Lion House also to go to Axford when received. Prop. C Morgan, sec R Young. All councillors agreed
A2368	13/9/17	Ashley de Safrin	Request for grant for Axford Broadband Scheme	All councillors agreed that £3000 should be paid and cheque delivered the next day.
A2375	17/9/17	WALC	Newsletter Sept 2017 F/wd all councillors	Clerk's course mentioned in Newsletter.
A2380	17/9/17	Santander	New account statement - on line banking	Instructions in letter - how to view online banking
A2381	17/9/17	CPRE	CPRE campaign- reduce plastic waste F/wd all councillors	Scotland – deposits on bottles are paid. S Glass to write to Dept. Of Environment to suggest that this scheme is adopted in England as well. Tesco also run a scheme.

A2385	17/9/17	S Glass	Tree Lights	<b>The lights are out of the tree at the moment. SSE need to obtain a new transformer to test the lights. S Glass has sanctioned this. Awaiting developments.</b>
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#### 4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a) **Planning:** **Chairman: Helen Lloyd**  
The Planning Report (PC 18/9/17/03) had been circulated prior to the meeting. H. Lloyd had nothing to report.
- b) **Finance:** **Chairman: Erica Hodgson**  
There were no issues raised under Finance in the meeting. A Budget meeting is to be arranged with the Finance committee.
- c) **Rights of Way:** **Chairman: Terry Brown**  
R Copp is to cut Permissive Path at Whittonditch.  
There is no footpath to the village as per planning condition for houses at Whittonditch. WC Planning say the houses need to be occupied before the developers are in breach of condition. Situation to be monitored.
- d) **Play Area and Seats:** **Chairman: Simon Smith**  
1 seat warden – Dr Owen Jones will look after seat at the Knapp on the Froxfield Rd.  
Whittonditch play area is not complete yet after resident complaint (Aug minutes). Piece of equipment has been moved. Payment of invoice has been approved but will not be paid until work is completed.
- e) **Emergency Committee:** **Chairman: Diann Barnett**  
Nothing new to report since the last meeting.
- f) **Recreation Centre:** **George Hawes**  
AGM to be held 21<sup>st</sup> Oct...
- g) **Policy Committee:** **Chairman: Sheila Glass**  
Nothing to report since the last meeting.
5. **PUBLIC FORUM - Standing Orders suspended for this item** 1 member of the public had been present.(A2341)
6. **AXFORD:** **Diann Barratt**  
Red Lion House nearly completed (A2312)  
Highspeed broadband progressing (A2367).
7. **MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD (MAB):** **Sheila Glass**  
A Ramsbury resident has been found guilty of several burglaries and given a suspended prison sentence  
Two men were found guilty of 40 burglaries in Wiltshire and sentenced to 4 years in prison  
The Household Recycling Centre in Marlborough will be closed 2<sup>nd</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Nov for refurbishment.  
Garden rubbish is to be put in big skips (up steps).  
Marlborough Police Station is to close.  
There is to be a charge for non- household rubbish (will this lead to fly tipping!) **Action: S Glass to write to WC re. garden rubbish and non- household rubbish**
8. **CATG MEETNG:** **Sheila Glass**  
S Glass to attend meeting Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Sept.
9. **WW1 ANNIVERSARY 2018:**  
S Glass and D Barnett are planning together with H Lloyd
10. **PARISH STEWARD SCHEME:**  
See A2333
11. **BINS IN STREETS:**  
Bins still being left out **Action: S Glass to write to those residents identified as leaving bins on the highway.**
12. **BEST KEPT VILLAGE:**  
Nothing to report
13. **PRE-SCHOOL:**

AGM Thurs Oct 12th

**14. WEBSITE:**

S. Glass is keeping it up to date

**15. BRITISH LEGION BRANCH:**

No money received so far

**16. LIBRARY:**

Nothing to report at this time.

**17. ALLOTMENTS:**

Nothing to report at this time.

**18. TELEPHONE KIOSKS:**

G Fearon gave a set of keys to the Clerk.

**19. NATURE RESERVE:**

C. Morgan had nothing to report

**20. POLICE REPORT:**

This had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

**21. MEMORIAL HALL:**

Nothing to report. Maintenance was being carried out..

**22. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES:**

Quote for repair of door on the disabled toilet not yet received. Action: **S Glass to follow up.**

**23. KENNET TRIANGLE:**

Nothing to report

**24. PATIENTS' REP:**

Flu jabs begin on 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct on Mondays and Wednesdays.

**25. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT** (document PC 18/09/17/03):

\*I2768 is approved, but not paid until work completed (see4d)

**PC 18/09/17/03**

	<b>Accounts for Sept 2017 meeting</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	Net amount	VAT	CQ/DD	S137	Incl in Budget
I2764	British Gas- Electricity for Public Conveniences (DD2) a/c is £25.26 in credit (5% VAT rate)	<b>23.00</b>	21.96	1.04	DD	No	Y
I2765	PlusNet - Broadband Service(DD4)	<b>12.99</b>	10.83	2.16	DD	No	Y
I2766	1&1 Internet Ltd WP package (DD5)	<b>4.79</b>	3.99	0.80	DD	No	Y
I2767	C. Morgan – annual service/repair to Nature Reserve brush cutter	<b>195.16</b>	162.63	32.53	CQ	No	Y
*I2768	Rhino Play Ltd	<b>5,640.00</b>	940.00	4,700.00	CQ	No	Y
I2769	G. Woodward – Clerk’s salary Sept 2017	<b>465.36</b>	465.36		CQ	No	Y
I2770	Castle Water (water and waste)	<b>25.14</b>	0	25.14	DD	No	Y
I2771	Graeme Fearon (membership of Guild of Town Criers)	<b>35.00</b>	0	35.00	CQ	No	Y
I2772	Thusanish Private delivery Ltd. Newspapers for Library	<b>11.60</b>	11.60	0	CQ	No	Y
	<b>As at 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>6413.04</b>	4616.37	4796.67			
	<b>Late account for payment</b>						
I2773	Axford & Stitchcombe Broadband Scheme	3000.00	3000.00	0	CQ	Yes	Y
		<b>9413.04</b>	4616.37	4796.67			

**Late payment £3000 + £6413.04 brought forward from main Sept accounts = £9413.04**

**Payments received:**

R466	Santander – Interest on Business Savings account on 10/09/17	2.68	06/09/17	Direct Transfer
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Proposed for payment: R. Young and seconded by D. Edwards. All in favour

**Bank Balance:**

As at 04/09/2017

**Current A/C: £20,018.56**

As at 11/09/17

**Savings A/C £31,532.44**

**26. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:**

**Finance Committee Monday October 9<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Parish Council Office**

**Parish Council Monday October 16<sup>th</sup> at 19.45 in the Memorial Hall, Ramsbury.**

\* All documents can be found on <https://ramsbury.org.uk/parish-council-minutes>