

RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16th APRIL 2018 at Ramsbury Memorial Hall

PRESENT: Sheila Glass, Chairman (SG), Gillian Woodward, Clerk (GW)
Diann Barnett (DB), Denise Edwards (DE), Graeme Fearon (GF), Erica Hodgson (EH) Helen Lloyd (HL), Christopher Payne (CP), Simon Smith (SS), George Hawes (GH) and Chris Morgan (CM)

There was one member of the public present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE and DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST:

Apologies were received from Ron Young (RY). There was one disclosure of interest from CP (planning application 18/00219/FUL).

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19th March 2018 (document PC 19/03/18/01 prev circulated):
The Chairman asked if there were any amendments to any of the pages before approval.

Page 1361 SG pointed out two small amendments from EH given to the Clerk in the 7 day checking period – the word ‘appropriate’ instead of ‘politic’ on line 3 of the first paragraph, and reference to social media removed from the correspondence about the mobile youth club in the Action column..

CP commented at this meeting (outside of the agreed 7 day checking period) on page 1363 point 15 and wanted it to read – CP reported on information from Wilts CC Waste Dept. In the case of three addresses the issue of the bins was satisfactorily resolved, and was pending at two more.

The minutes were then approved as a true record. Proposed by DB and seconded by EH. All in favour.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING on 19th March 2018:

There were none.

4. NEW CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION (document PC 19/03/18/02) prev circulated):

				ACTION
A2707	20/3/18	Wilts C	Temp road closure Aldbourne and Ramsbury revised date F/wd Councillors	To note
A2712	22/3/18	Wilts C	Minutes of April 13 th Marlborough Area Board meeting F/wd S. Glass	
A2714	25/3/18	Emma Wilson	Re bad dog fouling situation in Ramsbury F/wd S. Glass	Agreed to install a No Dogs sign in the Nature Reserve – CM to follow up. SG to reply to resident.
A2716	26/3/18	Wilts C	Asking who owns/maintains Axford war memorial re registration with the Church. F/wd S. Glass and D. Barnett	It is not known who owns it but it was agreed that the Ramsbury & Axford PC should take the responsibility on. SG to notify Wilts Council. All agreed
A2718	27/3/18	Wilts C	Further date revision on Ramsbury and Aldbourne road closure. F/wd to Councillors	To note
A2720	28/3/18	Claire Perry	Response to Chairman re new GDPR. F/wd S. Glass	
A2724	28/3/18	Wilts C	Notification of Planning Appeal Red Lion Axford F/wd Councillors	A meeting held prior to this meeting – on agenda for discussion.

A2736	9/4/18	Jenny Bowley	Ramsbury Mobile Youth Club update F/wd Councillors	EH gave an update – only 2 people at the last meeting but it is hoped that there will be more for the next meeting.
A2737	9/4/18	Community First	April Newsletter (incl new model standing orders and guidance) F/wd Councillors	To note and discuss on next month's agenda.
A2742	10/4/18	Wilts C	Re SIDS (report on meeting)	SG reported on the recent meeting between Councillor Wayman, two Highway Engineers and Councillor Sheppard. A very constructive meeting. SG to write to Mr Gauntlett saying that the PC had agreed to 'turn the panel away from the south' and to paint the post black. SG to also write to Wilts Council to reiterate what was agreed during the meeting. The Freedom of information request is still in the system for sight of Mr Gauntlett's letter to Wiltshire Council.
A2743	10/4/18	Wilts C	Notice of Councillor Vacancy (T. Brown) on notice boards	This is on the notice boards until April 26 th
LATES				
A2745	16/4/18	Ramsbury Library	Re newspapers in library	It was agreed to cancel the papers for the time and review in three months. Action SG to speak to Midway Stores.
A2746	16/4/18	Teconex	Music project	A financial contribution has been requested but as the proposal seems to be for a personal interest rather than something which is of benefit to the village or can be tied in with a village event, it was decided not to contribute as this could set a precedent for other projects. Action: SG to write and explain why the PC is unable to contribute.
A2747	16/4/18	Wilts C	Metrocount on Newtown Road	The results of this indicate that the average speed fits the profile for a community speed watch group. SG has requested a breakdown of the results which will show speeds in both directions.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a) Planning:

Chairman: Helen Lloyd

HL reported on the pre-PC Council meeting that evening:

The Red Lion appeal is in with May 6th deadline but nothing really new to report.. HL will make a point of saying that the PC stands by everything it originally said. There were a couple of points to note:

- i) In the new documents the size of the plot seems to be incorrect.
- ii) If planning was applied for at this point in time permission probably wouldn't have been given.

The owners of Anvil Cottage attended the meeting to ask what the PC's objections had been to their planning application. The objection was that the barn fell outside the permitted development area.

b) Finance:

Chairman: Erica Hodgson

EH ran through the figures she had circulated in an email dated April 15th 2018 for the year end accounts. She and the Clerk will be looking at the year end figures shortly with a view to an internal audit being done prior to submitting for approval at the PC meeting in **May or June meeting** after which they will be handed over to the external auditor.

c) Rights of Way:

GF had nothing to report. All the plans for the May Boundary Walk are progressing well. DB will organise a small cup for the Harkers Hill prize and SG to sort out more medals.

d) Play Area and Seats:

Chairman: Simon Smith

Nothing to report other than one piece of equipment on Knowledge Hill needs oiling. SS agreed to look at

it, and to let SG have the information need to claim the open Space Payment.

- e) **Emergency Committee:**
Progressing slowly.

Chairman: Diann Barnett

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- f) **Recreation Centre:**
Nothing to report.

George Hawes

- g) **Policy Committee:**
Nothing to report.

Chairman: Sheila Glass

6. **PUBLIC FORUM - Standing Orders suspended for this item** – one member of the public present.

7. **AXFORD:**

DB reported that broadband was due to be commissioned shortly. The beer festival plans are progressing.

8. **DRAFT MINUTES PROCEDURE FROM JANUARY 2018 PC MEETING:**

CP reminded everyone that in the January meeting the proposed new minutes procedure was for an initial period of 3 months and should now be discussed again.

The agreed proposal was for councillors only to have a 7 day period in which they can check the minutes and let the Clerk know if there are any amendments to be made. This was to make the Clerk's job easier so that the draft minutes presented at the PC meeting would only need a quick run through so that the Chairman could sign them off, thereby saving time and discussion in PC meetings as with the previous system.

CP proposed that the 7 day checking system for councillors only should be abandoned and that the system which he proposed in January be adopted ie no minutes sent out until approved at the following meeting
There was no seconder for the motion so it was lost.

GF's counter proposal was that we should continue with the current system for a further 3 months as it has not had long enough to be a true reflection on how it is working. DB seconded the proposal. There was 1 against the proposal and 9 for. The motion was carried.

9. **MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD (MAB):**
Nothing to report.

Sheila Glass

10. **CATG MEETNG:**
Nothing to report.

Sheila Glass

11. **WW1 ANNIVERSARY 2018:**
Plans are progressing well.

12. **PARISH STEWARD SCHEME:**

SG reported that things are back to normal now after the bad weather. There are a few issues to be reported including a drain in Crowood Lane and the road sign at Hilldrop. **Action: SG to complete Parish Steward form**

13. **BINS IN STREETS:**

SG reported that Councillor **James Sheppard** had received a telephone call from **one resident** saying the council had removed her bin (she had received the letter warning her this might happen) and she was not happy about it. SG is waiting to hear from Councillor **Sheppard** about any outcome. There are other bins in the High Street which are causing problems. SG agreed to have a word with **the resident**.

BEST KEPT VILLAGE:

Entry for this will be done by the deadline this Friday.

14. **PRE-SCHOOL:**

Work is nearly complete with May 8th as the moving in date. **SG mentioned that the school had informed her that the school grounds were broken into and a fire set in a bin and equipment damaged.** The Isles Road sign now seems to be too far up the road to be seen; perhaps it was moved for the builders. **Action: SG to check**

WEBSITE:

SG continues to update the website.

17. **BRITISH LEGION BRANCH:**

Mr Vere-Whiting has been contacted several times about the grant money but nothing forthcoming.

18. LIBRARY:

It was agreed to stop paying for the local newspapers in the library for the time being.

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19. ALLOTMENTS:

DE reported that all ok.

20. TELEPHONE KIOSKS:

Nothing to report.

21. NATURE RESERVE:

CM reported that a large tree had come down and he had reported it to Wiltshire Wildlife who will get it sorted.

22. POLICE REPORT:

There was no report for this month. It was agreed that Vandalism should be reinstated on future meeting agendas. A new – badly drawn - white line had appeared in the existing disabled bay in the High Street **Action: SG to investigate**

23. MEMORIAL HALL:

Nothing to report.

24. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES:

Nothing to report.

25. KENNET TRIANGLE:

Nothing new to report.

26. PATIENTS' REP:

GH reported that the temporary doctor, Dr Amy Hetherington was now a permanent part of the surgery team.

27. ACCOUNTS:

	Accounts for April 2018	TOTAL	Net	VAT	CQ/DD	S137	Incl in Budget
I2848	British Gas - electricity for Pub Convs	19.00	18.10	0.90	DD	No	Yes
I2849	1&1 Internet Ltd Pro-windows 6 months	86.33	71.94	14.39	DD	No	Yes
I2850	Plusnet - Broadband service	9.99	8.33	1.66	DD	No	Yes
I2851	G. Woodward - Clerk's April salary	465.36	465.36	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2852	WALC annual subscription 2018/19	760.15	633.46	126.69	CQ	No	Yes
I2853	1&1 Internet Ltd - Managed WP	8.39	6.99	1.40	DD	No	Yes
I2854	Idverde - Public Convs Jan/Feb/March	844.92	704.10	140.82	CQ	No	Yes
I2855	Ramsbury Electrical Ltd (public loo/SSID)	85.19	70.99	14.20	CQ	No	Yes
	Total	2279.33	1979.27	300.06			
	LATES:						
I2856	WALC GDPR course	42.00	35.00	7.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2587	Salisbury DBF 6 mths rent on playing field	212.50	212.50	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
		2533.83	2226.77	307.06			
	Payments received:						
R476	Santander - interest on Business Savings a/c on 6/4/18	8.04			Direct transfer		
	Bank Balances as at 3rd April 2018						
	Current account: £14,593.54						
	Savings account: £31,571.51						

Proposed by HL, seconded by DB. All in favour.

28. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Monday May 21st 2018 at Axford Village Hall

AGM of the Parish Council 7.45pm followed by the May Parish Council meeting

Members of the Public very welcome to

The meeting closed at 21.30

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