

RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21st MAY 2018 after the Annual Parish meeting at Axford Village Hall **The meeting started at 8.05pm**

PRESENT: Sheila Glass, Chairman (SG), Carol Standage, Clerk (CS), M Holdsworth Minutes Secretary (MH) Diann Barnett (DB), Denise Edwards (DE), Graeme Fearon (GF), Erica Hodgson (EH) Helen Lloyd (HL), Christopher Payne (CP), George Hawes (GH) and Chris Morgan (CM)
Simon Smith (SS)(after 8.15pm)

There were no members of the public present

Before the meeting began CP questioned the legality of holding the meeting as the amended agenda (to include the nomination and election of Chairman and Vice Chairman) was sent out during the afternoon of 20th May thus not giving 3 clear days notice..Due to an administrative error these two items were omitted from the original agenda. SG proposed that the meeting go ahead as planned. The rest of the agenda had been sent out on 16th May and Councillors were aware of the election by virtue of nominations for the posts being requested After discussion 8 councillors voted to hold the meeting , there was one abstention. SG proposed that Nomination of Chairman and Vice Chairman be moved to items 1 and 2 on the amended agenda. 8 councillors agreed, 1 abstention.

1. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

SG had received 5 nominations, There were no further nominations. SG was proposed as Chairman by GF and seconded by DE.CP requested a recorded vote. FOR –7 votes, DB, GF,DE,CM,EH,HL,GH. AGAINST – 0. ABSTENTION - CP.
SG was elected.

2. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

DB had received 5 nominations. There were no further nominations. DB was proposed as Vice Chairman by SG and seconded by GH.CP requested a recorded vote. FOR –7 votes, SG,GF,DE,CM, EH, HL,GH. AGAINST – 0. ABSTENTION - CP.
DB was elected.
SG and DB completed Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms.

3 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE and DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST:

Apologies were received from Ron Young (RY). Simon Smith (SS) was late. (arrived 8.15pm)
There were 2 disclosures of interest, one from CP (planning application 18/02786/TCA) one from GF White lines on Oxford St (correspondence A 2786)

SS arrived.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16th April 2018 (prev. circulated):The Chairman asked if there were any amendments to any of the pages before approval.

1365 3rd paragraph. CP asked that “ (outside of agreed 7 day checking period)” be removed. All agreed. The minutes were then approved as a true record. Proposed by DB and seconded by SS. All in favour.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING on 16th April 2018:

There were none.

6. NEW CORRESPONDENCE FOR DISCUSSION (document PC 21/0518/01) prev. circulated:

				ACTION
A2753	20/04/18	Wilts C	Briefing note No349 Changes to planning legislation F/wd to Councillors	HL explained that changes to planning legislation from June 1 st 2018 would in future allow developers to apply for planning permission in 3 different ways which it is hoped will increase the delivery of new housing.
A2758	24/04/18	River Kennet	Re: Barbed Wire over River S Glass	Barbed wire had been put over the river near Froxfield Road bridge by river keeper Eddie Starr. The Environment Agency had removed a tree without consultation with the landowner and barbed wire was put there to stop poachers.
A2765	26/04/18	Wilts C	Temporary Road Closure notice (Aldbourne and Ramsbury) F/wd to Councillors and on notice board	This finally took place. Buses were cancelled.
A2771	30/04/18	Wilts C	Confirmation no requests for election of Councillor vacancy F/wd to S Glass	There will be no election.
A2780	30/04/18	Wilts C	Grit Bins, Salting Routes and salt Bins. F/wd to Councillors	SG to check bins
A2784	04/05/18	Sheila Glass	Boundary Walk. F/wd to Councillors	This letter was from K Hiscocks praising the Boundary walk and all involved.
A2786	04/05/18	Wilts C	To Sheila Glass -Budget for White Lining. F/wd to Councillors	SG had asked for white advisory lines – parking – to be replaced. There is more money in WC budget for white lining than expected. SG to ask at next Highways meeting for lines in High St, Oxford St and the Bell to be repainted.
A2790	08/05/18	Ramsbury Primary	To Sheila Glass – Concerns of Plastic. F/wd to Councillors	Letter from a Y6 child from the Primary School detailing their concerns about plastic in the environment. Plastic free shopping afternoon at the School on Wed 23 rd May 2pm-3pm. SG to reply applauding their concerns and their efforts.
A2792	08/05/18	Manoli Yannaghas	Speeding concern on Newtown Road. F/wd to Sheila Glass	Reply to letter sent by Andrew Jack after the metro count on Newtown Rd. As yet there has been no reply from WC regarding the breakdown of information collected by the Metro Count. SG to reply suggesting that if the residents of Newtown Rd would like to set up a Community Speed Watch Group the PC would approve.
A2793	08/05/18	Community first	PC Insurance renewal quote 2018 – 19.	Insurance quote for 2018-19 is less than last year. There are now 11 more pieces of play equipment so the insurance needs to be increased. Updated quote has been requested (see accounts).

A2793 a	29/05/18	Sophie Pollock	Newton Road, Speeding Cars. Direct to Sheila Glass	See above A2792
A2796	16/05/18	Wilts C	Proposed Temporary Closure of High Street Ramsbury. F/wd to Councillors	Closure of the High St. for the Street Fair on 30 th June. Cars to be directed along Back Lane. PC has no objection.
A2802	16/05/18	Wilts C	CIL payment £1101.60	PC meeting Sept 2017 it was agreed that this money should go to Axford Village Hall. SG re-proposed that now the money had been paid to PC it should go to Axford Village Hall. It was seconded by GH and all councillors agreed.
A2803	16/05/18	Wilts C	Letter FOI SIDS	WC has refused to release a letter from a resident re SIDS on the grounds of confidentiality. It was agreed not to waste time pursuing the matter

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a) **Planning:** (document PC 21/05/18/02) prev circulated) **Chairman: Helen Lloyd**
There was nothing to report further to the planning report which had been circulated with the agenda.

b) **Finance:** **Chairman: Erica Hodgson**
The accounts are with the internal auditor prior to going to the external auditor

c) **Rights of Way** **Chairman: Graeme Fearon**
Nothing to report

d) **Play Area and Seats:** **Chairman: Simon Smith**
Some equipment needs attention and will be dealt with. Goal posts from the Rec Centre will be erected on the Whittonditch play area. **Action : SS to check equipment**

e) **Emergency Committee:** **Chairman: Diann Barnett**
Nothing to report

f) **Recreation Centre:** **George Hawes**
Nothing to report.

g) **Policy Committee:** **Chairman: Sheila Glass**
Nothing to report.

8. **PUBLIC FORUM - Standing Orders suspended for this item** – no members of the public present.

9. **AXFORD:** **Diann Barnett**
Broadband is now completed and all lines are commissioned. Ramsbury Estates have organised for BT Openreach engineers to link Broadband up to houses as residents get their routers.
HL to get in touch with WC Planning officer to inform them that the Red Lion is still open, at least on Sat/Sun. **Action: HL**

10. **MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD (MAB):** **Sheila Glass**
SG did not attend meeting

11. **CATG MEETNG:** **Sheila Glass**
Next meeting 21st June.

12. WW1 ANNIVERSARY 2018:

WW1 book is ready to be published. 3 quotes had been received, SG proposed £1410 for 200 copies which would be ready for sale at Street Fair. ISBN number registration to be paid. SG proposed £1500 and asked for authorisation to write cheque before next month's meeting. Proposed GF and seconded HL, all agreed. 640 poppies have been made to be displayed at the street Fair and in November.

Action: DB to organise publication and ISBN number

The Ravensbury Players have borrowed 40 poppies as part of their set.

13. PARISH STEWARD SCHEME:

Parish Stewards had been weed pulling during May and will send rota for June.

14. BINS IN STREETS:

CP proposed that he should contact Wiltshire Waste Dept. about bins and boxes at Saxon Forge. All agreed.

Action CP to contact WC

15. BEST KEPT VILLAGE:

The village is entered and judging will happen soon. Last year DE contacted Astor who cleared weeds etc from Bungalows car park. It has not been done since. DE to contact this year .

Action: DE to contact Aster

16. PRE-SCHOOL:

Opened Tues 8th May. Traffic is not a problem in Isles Rd at the moment. Isles Rd road sign will be resited. Official opening is Sat 2nd June.

17. WEBSITE:

SG continues to update the website.

18. BRITISH LEGION BRANCH:

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

19. LIBRARY:

Nothing to report.

20. ALLOTMENTS:

DE reported that all OK.

21. TELEPHONE KIOSKS:

Nothing to report.

22. NATURE RESERVE:

First cut 18th May – difficult, but it will be easier from now on. New brushcutter working well. WWT have agreed that we can erect “No dogs” sign.

23. POLICE REPORT:

Nothing to report

24. MEMORIAL HALL:

AGM 30th May

25. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES:

SG proposed that she should ask Robert Copp to cut the greenery around the toilets. Seconded DB – all agreed. GH to ask Church if they wish to liaise as last year.

Action: SG to contact Robert Copp

26. REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS

This was forwarded to June meeting.

27. KENNET TRIANGLE:

Nothing new to report.

28. PATIENTS' REP:

Nothing to report.

29. ACCOUNTS:

	Accounts for May 2018	TOTAL	Net	VAT	CQ/DD	S137	Incl in Budget
I2858	British Gas - electricity for Pub Convs	19.00	18.10	0.90	DD	No	Yes
I2859	1&1 Internet Ltd Pro-windows 6 months	86.33	71.94	14.39	DD	No	Yes
I2860	Plusnet - Broadband service	9.99	8.33	1.66	DD	No	Yes
I2861	G. Woodward - Clerk's April salary	465.36	465.36	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2862	Community Heartbeat 4 defib eletrodes	123.00	123.00	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2863	Thusanish - newspapers for library	11.00	11.00	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2864	Coral Westall - Cleaner - Oct to Feb 2018	32.50	32.50	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2865	S Glass (boundary walk consumables)	70.41	58.67	11.74	* Multiple VAT Rate	No	Yes
I2866	S Glass (boundary walk consumables)	37.54	31.28	6.26	CQ	No	Yes
I2867	S Glass (boundary walk consumables)	22.84	22.84	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2868	BT Bill	71.11	59.26	11.85		No	Yes
I2869	Axford and Stitchombe Broadband Scheme	3000.00	3000.00	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
I2870	Ab Fab Loos Ltd	583.20	486.00	97.20	CQ	No	Yes
	Lates						
I2871	Thusanish - newspapers for library	2.75	2.75	0.00	CQ	No	Yes
	Total	4457.09	4326.08	131.01			
	Payments received						
R477	Santander - interest on Business Savings a/c on 1st May 2018	7.78			Direct transfer		
R478	Wiltshire Council - Parish Precept 1st tranche	25507.50			Direct transfer		
R479	Wiltshire Council CIL Payment	1101.30			Direct transfer		
R480	Ramsbury Roxy	800.00			CQ		
R481	Gel Sacks	15.00			CQ		
	Bank balances as at May 3rd						
	Current account: £37,500.90						
	SAVINGS Account : 31, 579.29						

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

Insurance (A2793) SG requested authorisation to write cheque for up to £1700, as this will have to be paid by the end of the month. Actual expenditure will be noted at next meeting. All Councillors agreed.

28. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Monday June 18th 2018 7.45pm at Ramsbury Memorial Hall

Members of the Public very welcome to attend.

The meeting closed at 21.30

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