

RAMSBURY & AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on

Monday 16TH September 2019 in Ramsbury Memorial Hall

Present - : Diann Barnett,(DB), Denise Edwards (DE), Sheila Glass (Chairman) (SG), Erica Hodgson (EH), Christopher Payne (CP), Roger Greasley (RG), G Hawes (GH,) , H Lloyd (HL),G Fearon (GF), C Standage (Clerk), M Holdsworth (Minutes Secretary)

2 members of the public were present

- 1 APOLOGIES – R Young, S Smith, K Abbot, C Morgan- approved
- 2 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST- None
- 3 MINUTES of the meeting held August 19th for approval
Item 15 (i) it should read 1.2m not 1.4m
Item23 (i) the crime number is 54190070636
SG then proposed the Minutes should be approved, sec DE, all agreed.
- 4 MATTERS ARISING from the minutes not itemised separately
 - (i) 2 new waste bins have been ordered to replace older bins. One bin for outside the Memorial Hall and one bin for the Whittonditch Play area. The old Memorial Hall bin will be moved to the Knowledge Crescent play area and be placed where the yellow bin is after the post has been removed.
 - (ii) The slates on the side of the Bell roof had been replaced on 21st Aug and the W.C. District Surveyor had signed it off.
- 5 NEW CORRESPONDENCE for discussion:

		SEPTEMBER 2019	Highlighted entries FOR DISCUSSION	Actions
A3561	18/08/19	Melissa Camilleri - wilts	RE; July Police Report F/w to Councillors	
A3566	21/08/19	Chris Brennan	RE; Quote for Pavements Ramsbury – Received Sheila Glass	
A3567	21/08/19	Wiltshire sewers	RE: Blocked Gully Ashley Piece Ramsbury – Confirm that gullies have now been emptied and jetted, all running clear. There are a lot of tree roots in the gully and the Willow tree was hanging low Sheila Glass	The gullies in Ashley Piece near no 40 has been cleared and the willow tree has now been removed. The gully in Crowood Lane could not be cleared because a contractor was working there

A3570	22/08/19	Stuart Hunt	RE: Sign for Play Equipment – Ramsbury Sheila Glass	A quote for £453 has been received for just supplying a sign for the Play equipment on Whittonditch Play area (Surgery end - for the adult equipment) This seems very expensive. An alternative will be sought
A3572	23/08/19	Denise Edwards	RE: Cleaning Play Equipment – Whittonditch and Knowledge Crescent has now been cleaned – Axford will be done on Tuesday Sheila Glass	Many thanks from PC to DE and her daughter for all their hard work.
A3573	27/08/19	Sarah Shorley	RE: Tree Planting – The replacement of two diseased trees with Wiltshire apple trees. Sheila Glass	SG had contacted the Woodland Trust to ask if they could supply Wiltshire apple trees to replace the beech tree and the willow tree which had been removed from the Whittonditch play area. The Woodland Trust cannot supply apple trees
A3576	27/08/19	Suzanne Hiscock	RE: Temporary Closure of B4192 South Street (Part) Aldbourne 12/10 to 13/10/19 F/w to Councillors	Displayed on the notice board
A3577	28/08/19	Juliet Bonser	RE: Thank you for the Savernake Explorers Grant of £250.00 Sheila Glass	Letter noted
A3581	01/09/19	Joan Edwards	RE: Beech Hedge Isles Crt – Concern regarding the removal of the Beech Hedge in Isles Road Sheila Glass	This letter had been received after K George had read the Aug Minutes and alerted the residents. See item 16
A3583	03/09/19	Martin Cook	RE: White Lines in Ramsbury – email sent to relevant contractors regarding missed areas. Sheila Glass	See Item 15
A3587	05/09/19	Richard Daniel	RE: Handrail at 5 Union Street Ramsbury – Letter Re - the decline of the offer of handrail fitted. Sheila Glass	Letter noted
A3588	05/09/19	Terri Mulligan	RE: Handrail at 5 Union Street Ramsbury – Withdraw the installation of a handrail Sheila Glass	Letter noted

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A3589	05/09/19	Peter Harrington	RE: Quote for Sign for play equipment Ramsbury Sheila Glass	
A3590	05/09/19	Paul Angus	RE: Unmetered Festive Lighting 2019 – 2020 – Complete agreement Sheila Glass	

A3592	09/09/19	Clare Allman	RE: Serious issues with Dog poo waste bags being thrown around the Scout Hut. Sheila Glass	The Scouts have put up notices and are gating the area. SG to email and ask if they have CCTV. If they have a bin they would have to empty it themselves. WC will not empty any new bins
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6 COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A Planning

Diann Barnett

PLANNING REPORT RAMSBURY AND AXFORD PARISH COUNCIL – September 2019

Planning Applications Processed since August 2019 Report –

NEW ITEMS:

Report date w/e	App. Number	Site location	Proposal	Comments REQ. date
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* w/e 9.9.19

STILL AWAITED:

11/1	18/11798/FUL	10A Ashley Piece Ramsbury SN8 2QE	Side extension. Reverse house with internal alterations. Front extension. Detached garage. Access from Crowood Lane. PC had no objections to the house alterations but commented on the access to Crowood Lane – Note new date for comments 1st May	Still waiting
11/7	19/06243/FUL	Fosburys Field, Crowood Lane, Ramsbury	Conversion/Reuse of Redundant Stables and Barn to Residential Dwelling and Garage/Store. PC objected	Still waiting
29.7.	19/07026/FUL 19/07279/LBC	Ramsbury Manor	Courtyard Buildings- Existing pump house and garage to be demolished. Existing car park surface to be removed to allow installation of new underground drainage system. New car park surface to be installed etc	Still waiting

DECISIONS:

Report date w/e	App. Number	Site location	Proposal	Decision and date
6.8	19/05731/tca	Ramsbury Pre school	Pollard lime trees. PC has no objection.	approved
16/7	19/06797/TCA	Holy Cross Church, Ramsbury	1 - Bird Cherry tree - reduce by 30% & shape crown accordingly 2 & 3 - Damson trees - reduce by 25% & shape crowns accordingly 4 - Beech tree (dead) - reduce height and leave for habitat PC have no objection	Approved
22/7	19/07012/TCA	2 Carters Court High Street Ramsbury	1 - Scots Pine tree - fell 2 - Ash tree - raise crown to give 3.5 m clearance over driveway 3 - Hawthorn tree - raise crown to give 3.5 clearance over driveway. PC has no objection.	Approved
25/7	19/06976/FUL	5 Orchard Close Ramsbury	Single-storey extension to create a family room, add new porch, sub-divide the existing reception room, modify existing dormer windows, add a new side window to the study, replace existing windows, remove metal chimney pipe from eastern gable. PC has no objection	Approved
15/7		Red Lion Axford Marlborough Wiltshire SN8 2HA	Change of Use from A4 public house with ancillary residential space to A3 restaurant and a separate C3 dwelling house and the addition of a part glazed hallway in the side courtyard. PC objects.	Withdrawn

*w/e 9.9.19

The Red Lion application has been withdrawn. Planning Officer notified DB that he has recommended to the applicant that he try to market the business for 6 months before re-applying

SG and DB to attend a WC meeting on Wed 18th Oct about the Wiltshire Local Plan

B Finance

Sheila Glass

Start budget consultation. A meeting will be organised in early October

Audit- almost completed.

Finance committee meeting At a meeting on 29/9/19 the Finance Committee considered quotes for tree work at Whittonditch and pavement work at various sites in the village. A quote from Rockstone for £19,372.75 + VAT was accepted (see item 12) and a quote from J Hawkins for £980 + VAT for tree work was accepted(see item D(vii))

C Rights of Way

Graeme Fearon

Site meeting at Manor crossing – a meeting was held with Martin Cook on Monday 16th Sept, DB,

CP and SG were present. It was decided that

- (i) the dead trunks covered with ivy would be removed
- (ii) 2 of the trunks would be left horizontal for habitats and also as a barrier from the path to the road.
- (iii) The conifer will be removed
- (iv) The other trees will be left – this will increase visibility and sound transmission
- (v) Some fence posts may be replaced

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- (vi) SG to request “Walkers in Road” signs from CATG
- (vii) The “ROAD AHEAD CROSS WITH CARE” signs to be erected
- (viii) SG to ask R Copp to regularly trim the nettles

D Play Areas & Seats

Denise Edwards

- (i) Inspection due in September
- (ii) Cleaning equipment – All 3 play areas had been cleaned by DE and her daughter and she had put WD 40 on the see saw at Whittonditch.
- (iii) Steps at Whittonditch Play area – Ashley Piece end –there has been a request for a ramp here as well as the steps,(it is not easy to get a buggy up the steps and the ramp can be used by mobility scooters.)
Action- SG to ask Rockstone, who are coming in October to do the pavements to quote for the installation of a ramp and to seek other quotes. All agreed.

- (iii) Bird spikes had been purchased and RY had attached them to the tops of the swings on all the play areas.

Thanks were expressed to RY.

- (v) Axford play area fence had been completed
- (vi) Pricing for Sign for adult equipment at Whittonditch **Action :DE is looking for other options for the sign at the Whittonditch play area**
- (vii) The willow tree had been removed 16/9/19 and the leaves will not now block the gully.
- (viii) Refurbishment of the seats in the Square and the seat at the end of Back Lane. The slats are to be replaced and the metal ends to be repainted **Action: SG is to obtain quotes for this work**

F Recreation Centre

George Hawes

AGM Wed 8pm 17/09/19

G Emergency Committee

Helen Lloyd

Update warden’s list – Action -**SG to update this with HL**

H Policy Committee

Sheila Glass

PUBLIC FORUM- Parish Council Standing Orders temporarily suspended for this item

No members of the public wished to speak at this time. **K & M Rees will speak at Item 19**

7 AXFORD

Diann Barnett

School bus stop - the trees had all been cut back and visibility has improved. Barnes Coaches have said that all bus stops are request stops.

8 COMMUNITY ASSETS

(i)The fact that the Red Lion was a Community Asset did make a difference to the Planning application.

In the light of this SG suggested that the PC look at suggestions for Ramsbury. – October meeting

(ii) SG to submit the application for the Allotments .

9 MARLBOROUGH AREA BOARD

Sheila Glass

Meeting 3/9/19 SG did not attend

10 CATG

Sheila Glass

Next meeting 20/9/19 - SG is not attending – there is nothing pertinent to Ramsbury on the agenda.

11 BINS IN STREET

Christopher Payne

- (i) There is a new Hills bin at Post Office
- (ii) The garden waste bins are no longer being left at the bottom of Tankard Lane for long periods
- (iii) The flytipping had been cleared from the layby on the B4192 at the end of August.
- (iv) Saxon Forge – a standard lamp has been left on the pavement for some time. (if the shade was removed, it would probably fit into the black bin)
- (v) There had been flytipping at the top of Manor Hill. EH had reported this.

- 12 PAVEMENT REPAIRS *Kate Abbott/ Roger Greasley*
 The repairs to the pavements will begin on October 28th. The pavements to be repaired are-
 Back Lane South side – B Tottenham’s house down to Mardle House
 Back Lane North Side – Isles Road to the Square
 High St – Memorial Hall to the Library.
 2 similar quotes had been received and the quote from Rockstone had been accepted, this quote includes traffic management. It will take 5 days.
- 13 GDPR - to be put on the agenda for October.
- 14 PARISH STEWARD SCHEME
 The Parish Steward had cleaned the graffiti from the Burdett St sign but was unable to clean the wall.
- 15 PRESCHOOL *Kate Abbot*
 Martin Cook had sent more emails to the contractors to complete the yellow zigzags and white lines at the school
16. HEDGE IN ISLES ROAD
 K George has conceded that the block of beech hedge does not belong to Isles Court. SG asked Council to discuss (a) cutting it down to around 2ft as was originally planned or (b) removing it completely. This is to give better visibility when crossing the road to the school. After discussion it was agreed that SG should ask R Copp to cut it down to approx 0.6m **All agreed Action:SG to liase with R Copp re best height**
17. VILLAGE OPEN DAY *Sheila Glass*
- 18 WEBSITE – D Leake has returned to the village.
19. BEST KEPT VILLAGE
- (a) K & M Rees talked about the plans for the village.
- (i) There would be areas of wild flower meadows.
- (ii) They had poppy seeds to be scattered
- (iii) There would be an item in Whitton Ways detailing all this.
- (iv) KR had had some sustainability ideas from some mums.
- (v) SG to obtain bulbs to be planted around the seats in the village
- (b) **Tubs for village entrances** – DE had sent a quote for the tubs to all the councillors.
- There would be 2 sizes and 5 of each. 1of each size to be put at each village entrance. 2 at Newtown Rd, 2 at Crowood Lane, 2 at Whittonditch Rd, 2 at Hilldrop Rd and 2 at E end of Axford . The tyres would be removed. The quote was for £275. **SG proposed this was accepted, sec DB. All agreed**
20. 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY
 Street Fair 13/06/20
 Benches in the Square see Item 6D(viii)
21. CORRESPONDENCE *Sheila Glass*
 SG asked how much correspondence do Councillors wish to receive from the PC office during the month.. She suggested that CS slowly cut down the amount she sent to Councillors and if anyone felt they were missing something to let CS know. **Action: CS to send out less of the correspondence**
22. POLICE REPORT Not received
23. FIRE SERVICE
 Retirement of John Marshall after 30 years service. C Martin had asked the PC to recognise this. SG had a certificate made and framed. **Action: DE to present this to John at the Crown & Anchor on Friday 20th**
24. VANDALISM None
25. LIBRARY – no report
26. ALLOTMENTS *Denise Edwards*
 All looking good. There will be an article in Whitton Ways.
 DE has talked to J Talmage about the Community Asset application.
27. CHRISTMAS TREES
 SG had emailed A Ewing. Ramsbury Estates will buy 10 more trees and brackets and attach them.

PC will buy new batteries for existing sets of lights and sets of lights for new trees. New trees/ brackets will be offered to homeowners £10 per house, this will be offered to Ramsbury Estates. Ramsbury Estates will obtain and put up trees and new brackets and put lights on the tree in the Square
SG proposed the PC pay for batteries and lights sec DE All agreed .

28 MEMORIAL GARDEN M Rees to look at watering systems for the garden

29 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES – the lights are now fixed

30 KENNET TRIANGLE – ARK has completed their work.

31 PATIENTS REP

George Hawes

There are 2 new trainees.

The extra money available in 2020 is to be spent on a physiotherapist to be shared between the Surgeries.

2019 money has been spent on a prescribing pharmacist.

32 **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

	Accounts for SEPTEMBER 2019	TOTAL	Net	VAT	DEB/FPI/CASH/BGC DD/BACS	S137
I3124	British Gas - Electricity for Public Toilets - Aug	23.00	21.90	1.10	DD	No
I3125	PlusNet Broadband Service Aug	14.99	12.49	2.50	DD	No
I3126	I&I IONOS Web Package Basic Fee Aug	8.39	6.99	1.40	DD	No
I3127	Castle Water - Water for Public Loos	11.29	11.29	0.00	DD	No
I3128	Jersey Plants - Pansy - SQUARE	33.98	28.32	5.66	DC (SG)	No
I3129	Jersey Plants - Pansy - MEMORIAL GARDEN	33.98	38.32	5.66	DC (SG)	No
I3130	Jones & Son Pest Control - Wild bird Plastic Spike	134.24	111.87	22.37	DC (SG)	No
I3131	Ramsbury Post Office - Paper for Office	15.98	13.32	2.66	DC (CS)	No
I3132	Carol Standage AUG Salary	405.19	405.19	0.00	BACS	No
I3133	Mary Holdsworth AUG Minute Taking	91.25	91.25	0.00	BACS	No
I3134	ARK -Agreed Contribution to bank repairs at The Triangle	200.00	200.00	0.00	BACS	No
I3135	Ramsbury Electrical Ltd	181.72	151.43	30.29	BACS	No

I3136	R A Copp - Trim Path W/ditch to Ramsbury & Beech Hedge in Isles Rd	150.00	150.00	00	BACS	No
	Total	1304.01	1247.47	71.64		

Final accounts – Prop HL, sec RG. All agreed

33 PAYMENTS RECEIVED:

	Payments received SEPTEMBER 2019				DD/BACS/DEC/FPI/ CASH/BGC	S137
R517	Wiltshire Council Parish Precept for 2019 – 20 2 nd Payment	26000	26000	0.00		No
						No
	<u>TOTAL</u>	26000	26000	0.00		

BANK BALANCE on 31st August 2019:

CURRENT ACCOUNT £77122.11(This does not include September precept tranche which has been notified but not yet received

NB This figure includes ring fenced funds of **£41,635.00** for long term capital projects, **£434** for defibrillators plus allocated budget for the year and contingency.

DATE OF NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

MONDAY 21st October 2019

at 7.45pm in

RAMSBURY MEMORIAL HALL

YOU WILL BE VERY WELCOME -PLEASE COME

ALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

