Full Council Meeting Minutes of Ampfield Parish Council
This meeting was held at 7pm on Monday 9th March 2026 at Ampfield Village Hall.

Attending: Cllr Martin Hatley**,** Cllr Julian Jones, Cllr Chris Ling **(Vice-Chair),** Cllr Bryan Nanson (**Chair**), Cllr Graham Roads, Cllr Julie Trotter, Cllr Sally Yalden (TVBC Borough Councillor), Karen Cramoysan (Clerk), 0 Members of the Public

4862 **Apologies: Louisa Rice (TVBC),** (Cllr Yalden will be arriving late after another meeting).

4863 **Declarations of Interest:** None

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4864 **Public Participation:** None

4865 **Minutes of the Full Council Meetings held on 9th February 2026 - RESOLVED:** Minutes were formally received, agreed by all Councillors as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

4866 **Matters arising from the Minutes:** None

4867 **a. Report from Sally Yalden (TVBC)** report attached to minutes.
b. Report from Committee and Portfolio Holders: None

4868 **Financial Matters**
a. Bank reconciliation – **RESOLVED:** The Council received the Bank Reconciliation to the end of February 2026.

Bank			**Earmarked Reserves**	
TSB Current A/c	£3,300.34		Recreation Ground	£20,950.00
TSB Business A/c	£58,079.49		General & Contingency Reserve	£17,000.00
Nationwide at 31/05/2025	£66,162.42		Election reserve	£4,000.00
Total cash	**£127,542.25**		Capital Replacement Reserve	£12,000.00
			PPE for Ampfield Neighbours reserve	£285.02
			Allotments: refundable deposits	£1,100.00
			Morleys Green Commuted Reserve	£56,836.82
less reserves	£132,421.84		Morleys Green Ground Rent	£20,250.00
Working Capital	**-£4,879.59**		**Total Earmarked Reserves**	**£132,421.84**

b. To Authorise accounts for payment – Eight invoices authorised by all Councillors for;

KR Electrics	Solar Panel Installation	£17136.95
Ashurst & Colbury PC	CiLCA course	£447.50
Ampfield Village Hall	Pavilion & Allotments cleaner	£45.00
RJ Plumbing	Check valve at Pavilion	£65.00
BPM Property Management	12-month contribution effluent	£399.78
Total Refurbishment (Southern) Ltd	Pavilion decorating	£450.00
Cllr Martin Hatley	Decorating materials	£58.21
Cllr Graham Roads	Dragons Teeth/Footpath posts	£466.80

c. To Ratify Income & Expenditure from the Current Account since 1st February 2026.

Date	**Supplier/Customer**	**Receipt**	**Payment**	**Balance**
	Opening balance b/fwd			2484.17
02/02/2026	Test Valley Borough Council	1,000.00		3,484.17
02/02/2026	Ampfield Village Hall		26.25	3,457.92
02/02/2026	Ampfield Village Hall		18.75	3,439.17
05/02/2026	Lockerley Stone	153.00		3,592.17
10/02/2026	TFR	5,000.00		8,592.17
10/02/2026	CNC Window Cleaning Ltd		30.00	8,562.17

10/02/2026	Cllr Martin Hatley	589.79	7,972.38
10/02/2026	Total Refurbishment (Southern) Ltd	1,530.00	6,442.38
12/02/2026	Total Refurbishment (Southern) Ltd	1,170.00	5,272.38
16/02/2026	Test Valley Borough Council	189.36	5,083.02
16/02/2026	Test Valley Borough Council	347.27	4,735.75
17/02/2026	E.ON NEXT LTD	269.42	4,466.33
18/02/2026	WEL Medical	75.18	4,391.15
18/02/2026	Aaron 24	119.22	4,271.93
23/02/2026	HugoFox Ltd	11.99	4,259.94
27/02/2026	ID Mobile	8.00	4,251.94
27/02/2026	Clerk Salary & Expenses Feb	951.60	3,300.34

Business Account transactions since 1st February 2026.

Date	Supplier / Customer	Receipt	Payment	Balance
	Opening balance b/fwd			62989.69
10/02/2026	TFR		5,000.00	57,989.69
10/02/2026	Bank Interest	89.80		58,079.49

d. Income and anticipated expenditure: RESOLVED: The Council received the report of expenditure against budget to the end of February 2026.

4869 Policy

Parish Council Mobile Phone: RESOLVED: All Councillors **APROVED** the Clerk getting a contract mobile phone up to £12.00 per month.

Councillors Declarations of Interest: RESOLVED: All Councillors confirmed that there were no changes to the Declarations of Interest held by TVBC.

4870 Community & Environment

a. Chapel Wood: RESOLVED: Cllr Roads gave thanks to Cllr Yalden for the money from her Councillor Community Grant and confirmed that he had purchased the Dragon's Teeth and Footpath marker posts. He will approach Romsey Mens Shed to ask if they can help with routing out the arrows for the posts. The Friends of Chapel Wood will try to clear the pondweed this weekend if the weather is good.
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b. War Memorial: Nothing to report – waiting for the weather to improve.

c. Burial Ground: RESOLVED: Waiting for TVBC to cut the bracken once the weather improves. Cllr Roads commented that the unconsecrated ground is being confused with being a footpath and needs to be marked out. Councillors **AGREED** for Cllr Roads to purchase another six posts and the area to be marked out.

Cllr Trotter advised that several residents have commented that the spring flowers in the Burial Ground look very pretty.

d. Highways:

i. **Damage to verge in Knapp Lane** – Nothing to report.

ii. **A3090 crossing** – Nothing to report.

iii. **Hook Road Closure: RESOLVED:** Cllr Ling updated Members on his and Cllr Nanson's meeting on 19th February. The points of road closures had been changed by the workmen to outside the new build homes that morning, making it easier for residents to access their properties. The issues that had been experienced were pointed out to Southern Water. At the time of the meeting, no workmen were working on the site, and there was no sign of any along that section of Hook Road. Cllr Ling had previously contacted Cllr Dowden, asking if Southern Water ask to

extend their permit, then it should be refused due to the length of time it has already taken with the works when workmen were not actively working the site, but if it was granted, then there needed to be strict conditions on traffic movements. This was forwarded to HCC Highways and came back with an unsatisfactory response.

e. Morleys Green Tree Surveys - RESOLVED: The Clerk has received two quotes from tree surgeons; one for £1050.00 and one for £2165 plus £595.00for Morleys Green only. It was **AGREED:** by all Councillors to enter the NFDC SLA Agreement for NFDC to survey all trees annually, and then it will come under their price agreement for tree surgeons. Clerk to contact NFDC to arrange this.

Community Orchard - Cllr Trotter advised that TVBC will be delivering the wildflower seeds and fruit trees to JN Landscapes on Thursday 12th March.

f. Allotments: To consider letting plots to non-residents: RESOLVED: The Regulations have been amended to allow non-residents from surrounding parishes (Braishfield, Chandlers Ford, Valley Park, North Baddesley or Hursley) the opportunity of having an allotment plot. The Clerk will hold a residents and non-residents waiting list, with Ampfield residents having first refusal on any vacant plots. Clerk advised that there is currently one resident and one non-resident interested in the two vacant plots, and it is hoped that these will be let shortly.

g. Defibrillators: RESOLVED: New pads replaced at the Pavilion defib in February.

h. Telephone Kiosk: RESOLVED: The warped door has been repaired and painted and now closes; however, the hinge mechanism still needs some work.

i. Village Hall Roof repair/replacement – **RESOLVED**: Cllr Hatley reported that works are still scheduled for Monday 30th March. The contractor has advised that he will replace the insulation to 120mm for the same price as originally quoted for the lesser insulation. The Village Hall will be closed for 2 weeks whilst these works are carried out.

Community Resilience Grant - Our recent application to TVBC for £1000.00 was successful and the Power Store Battery will be purchased shortly.

j. Recreation Ground / Pavilion:

i. Solar Panels and Batteries project: RESOLVED: Installation completed. The panels started generating on 16th February, and the solar energy produced is better than what was initially hoped. On 25th February, 45.24kWh was generated. The Council has an app to view the energy the Solar Panels are generating in real-time. The Parish Council are currently not receiving any money for exported electricity, but Cllr Ling is negotiating with EON to export our unused power and a diverter to export power to the immersion heater will be set up so that the water can be heated. Cllr Roads thanked Cllrs Ling and Nanson for their hard work in getting this initiative installed.

ii. Fire Extinguishers: RESOLVED: Walker Fire chased for an update, as there has been nothing from them other than a holding email since 4th February.

iii. Southern Water Inspection 22nd January: RESOLVED: The contraventions picked up by Southern Water have now been actioned. A new check valve on the boiler has been fitted, and the showers are now on a flushing routine with log sheets. Southern Water are happy and will send confirmation paperwork.
Cllr Nanson thanked Cllr Hatley for setting up the Legionella log sheets and carrying out the tests on the showers.

Cllr Nanson thanked Cllr Yalden for the money from her Councillor Community Grant for the Dragon's Teeth at the Recreation Ground Car Park. These have been purchased and will be delivered on Thursday this week, along with the footpath markers.

iv. **ANBCC Projects and Licence Extension: RESOLVED** The Clerk has written to the Cricket Club and confirmed the extension of the lease and the project proposals. Dave Hunt will order the new container and liaise with the Clerk as to when this will be delivered.

*** Cllr Yalden arrived at 8pm and gave her report ***

v. **Pavilion Decorating: RESOLVED:** The Pavilion refurbishment is now complete. The height barrier has been repainted, and the car park pothole repaired. Cllr Nanson will investigate purchasing a new height barrier sign.

k. Community Speedwatch: **RESOLVED:** Nothing to report in February due to volunteers being away and the weather.

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l. Bus Shelter Grants from HCC - RESOLVED A revised quotation has been received from our preferred contractor. Hampshire County Council has confirmed that a licence is required to undertake works on the Highway, which will incur an additional cost of £210.

m. Spring Newsletter - RESOLVED Several items have been forwarded to The Ampfield Messenger for inclusion in their newsletter.

4871 Correspondence and Communications – None

4872 To Review TVBC Planning Applications;

26/00120/FULLS	**75 Flexford Close, Chandler's Ford** Front extension to provide w.c	**No Objection**
26/00268/CLPS	**The School House, Winchester Road, Ampfield** Application for a certificate of lawfulness for proposed rear extension	**No Objection**
26/00393/FULLS	**Heywood, Hook Road, Ampfield** Replacement windows; erect porch; part render to front elevation; erect car barn	**No Objection**
26/00430/VARS	**Cambalt, Potters Heron Lane, Ampfield** Certificate of proposed development for a pool and pool house in rear garden	**Comment**
26/00430/VARS	**Corner Cottage Pound Lane Ampfield** Removal of Condition 2 (Agricultural occupancy) of TVS.8011	**No Objection**

4873 Next Meeting Dates: Full Council Meeting - Monday 13th April 2026 at 7pm

Meeting closed at 8:27pm

Chairman ----------

Date ----------

February 2026 Report from Cllr Sally Yalden - Test Valley Borough Councillor

Planning Inspectorate appeal decisions: None to report.

Enforcement cases: There are currently **19** open alleged planning breaches in A&B. **13** in Ampfield, **5** in Braishfield and **1** in the part of Timsbury in this ward. Of those there were 5 new entries in February (4 in Ampfield and 1 in Braishfield).

Councillor community grant: The grant is currently £1468.83, but monies will be carried over to next year. There are several pending applications.

Five Year Housing Land Supply (HLS) update: Councillors will be aware that the Government's increased housing requirement of 933 homes per year has significantly reduced the borough's housing land supply. This has contributed to the rise in speculative planning applications currently being experienced.
As of April 2025, Test Valley can demonstrate a deliverable housing land supply of 2.54 years, against the NPPF requirement of 5.00 years. This represents a slight decline from 2.76 years in April 2024.
The Council is required to publish its housing land supply position annually as part of the Housing Implementation Strategy. This data is used to monitor housing delivery and is an important factor when determining planning applications. The current position reflects the fact that many allocations in the adopted Local Plan have now largely been built out, while allocations in the emerging plan cannot yet be counted towards the five-year supply. It also reflects wider national pressures affecting delivery, including construction costs and material availability. As the borough's housing land supply remains below five years, the NPPF presumption in favour of sustainable development continues to apply when determining planning applications that propose a net increase in homes, in accordance with paragraph 11(d) of the NPPF.
Parish and Town Councils have been notified of this update. The Council has also published the Authority Monitoring Report 2024/25. (AMRs review the performance of planning policies on the area in which they apply. They also include an update on the milestones set out in the Council's Local Development Scheme.)

The Strategic Picture – I compared the latest AMR with the last one to provide a summary and analysis. Across the two reports there is a clear structural shift:
1. Housing delivery is slowing.
2. Affordable housing is declining
3. Strategic sites are running out
4. Housing need has dramatically increased
5. Housing land supply has fallen

This combination is exactly why speculative applications are increasing and developers are targeting villages and edge-of-settlement sites.

Attendance at Southern Water Event – Southampton Link Main: Otterbourne to Testwood: I dropped into a public event held by Southern Water. Further information about the Project is available at the following link: https://www.southernwater.co.uk/about-us/our-plans/water-for-life-hampshire/southampton-link-main-otterbourne-to-testwood/ Southern Water is investing over £100 million to build a new 19km pipeline and pumping stations to connect our Otterbourne, Yew Hill and Rownhams sites. It will allow water to be moved between sites and where it's needed the most, protecting water supplies and the environment during a drought. I have the contact details of the main person to contact should there be any issues which might affect residents in the area.

Test Valley Community Resilience Forum: TVBC will be hosting its annual Community Resilience Forum. The forum brings together community representatives, local organisations and partners to share knowledge, build relationships and strengthen community resilience. The council is keen to continue working in partnership with local groups and parish councils to support local priorities and needs. This year's forum will feature Lucy Easthope, one of the UK's leading experts in emergency planning, resilience and recovery, who will speak about the importance of prevention, preparedness and recovery. 🗓️ Friday 27 March 📍 Crosfield Hall, Romsey ☕ Networking breakfast from 9:45am 🕛 Session expected to finish around midday If you would like to attend, please RSVP to gbloss@testvalley.gov.uk and include any dietary requirements. Parish councils are welcome to share the invitation with other community contacts who may be interested.

Pothole Motion: Although potholes are the responsibility of Hampshire County Council, a colleague of mine brought a motion to the last Full Council meeting calling for the Borough Council to write formally to HCC to share its concerns. The motion raised concerns about the reported drop in highways repairs across Hampshire and asked that future versions of the Highways Maintenance Plan be shared with local councillors. I spoke in support of the motion, highlighting the importance of transparency and accountability. Residents expect to see real outcomes and solutions, rather than deflection or simply being told to keep reporting potholes through the online portal.