

Minutes

Meeting of Ampfield Parish Council: Monday 10 October 2022

Held at Ampfield Village Hall, 7:00pm to 7:35pm

Present

Members of Ampfield Parish Council:

Chairman Bryan Nanson
Vice Chairman Graham Roads
Cllr Chris Ling
Cllr Kate McCallum
Cllr Julie Trotter

Others

Kate Orange, Clerk/RFO

Apologies

3788. Apologies were received from Cllr Julian Jones, Cllr Martin Hatley, Cllr David Stevens.

Previous Meeting

3789. The Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 12 September were to be altered, deleting the words “for consideration at the next Meeting” from Minute 3777. Otherwise, the Minutes were agreed and the revised version would be signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the Minutes

3790. Any matters arising from previous Minutes were handled under the relevant agenda item.

Declarations of Interest

3791. No Member declared any pecuniary or other interest in any business on the agenda for the Meeting.

Minutes of Planning Committee

3792. The Council received the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee of 05 September 2022.

Financial Matters

3793. *The Council received the bank reconciliation to the end September 2022.*
RESOLVED
3794. *The Council received the calculation of working capital to the end of September 2022.*
RESOLVED
3795. *It was agreed that the following payments should be made:*

	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
	<i>Fire equipment inspection & service</i>	31.50
	<i>Itchen trees cut-up and move fallen oak, Chapel Wood</i>	630.00
	<i>Water supply</i>	57.68
	<i>Grounds maintenance, Morleys Green</i>	1494.60
	<i>Staff costs</i>	792.60
	<i>Total (including VAT)</i>	<i>£3,006.38</i>
RESOLVED		

3796. *It was noted that the following payments had been made between Meetings:*

<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
TVBC grounds maintenance instalments	300.87
Electricity	63.78
PWLB Recreation Ground loan instalment	3016.65
Staff costs	57.78
Total (including VAT)	£3,439.08

RESOLVED

3797. *It was noted that the Council had received the following income:*

<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
Interest - bank	27.15
Precept (tranche 2 of 2)	20521.50
ANBCC rent	515.50
Allotment rent	480.00
Total	£21,544.15

RESOLVED

3798. *The Council received the report of expenditure against budget to the end of September 2022.*

RESOLVED

3799. *It was proposed to revise the Clerk's home-working allowance to be the same as the current (10 Oct 2022) maximum sum for tax relief on home working where no evidence of extra costs was required.*

RESOLVED

Recreation Ground

3800. Chairman Bryan Nanson reported that English Homes had agreed to vary the s106 agreement that designated funding for football practise nets, and Cllr Nanson had subsequently asked Test Valley Borough Council (TVBC) to implement the change. TVBC had yet to respond.

Chapel Wood

3801. Vice Chairman Graham Roads reported on Chapel Wood:

- At a working party of Friends of Chapel Wood on 8 October, some rhododendrons had been cleared between the west of the church and the pond. Scrap wood had been cleared and moved so that at a later date, a contractor could be instructed to process it.

3802. Cllr Roads presented the design for proposed landscaping to create an area for quiet reflection and footpath linking the west of St. Mark's to the wood's existing footpath network, and to establish a view over the Chapel Wood pond. Cllr Roads had discussed feasibility with Highbridge Engineering and had estimated the cost.

3803. *It was proposed to set a budget of £5,500 for the proposed new path and area of quiet reflection scheme at Chapel Wood. Three quotations would be sought.*

RESOLVED

3804. The matter of the award of a Waitrose Community Matters Local Grant was deferred.

Burial Ground

3805. The matter of a request for discretionary permission for a burial was deferred until more information had been obtained.

Highways

3806. Cllr Chris Ling reported on highway matters:
- County Councillor Alan Dowden and Hayley Thorn of Hampshire County Council had met with Cllrs Ling and Nanson, with the Clerk present. They had discussed the idea of using s106 highways funding for Speedwatch, possibly through the re-allocation of money from a (now defunct) project for road-side railings. Also raised was the Parish Council's wish for an additional pedestrian refuge on the A3090, and the history of the discussions with the highway department regarding the Parish Council Speed Limit Policy. Hayley Thorn would speak with the team and report back.
 - The Lengthsman's work at the next visit (12 October) would include clearing the vegetation from the sight-lines on Hook Road.
 - Cllr Ling had cleared the graffiti from the bus shelter on Baddesley Road.
 - Speedwatch:
 - The police had established the report-sites on the corner of Hookwood Road (south), Baddesley Road near Ampfield Meadows, corner of Green Pond Lane, entrance to Morleys Lane near to the Old Rectory. The site to the north of Hook Road was being negotiated.
 - Two training sessions had been held; one further session for 2 volunteers was planned. This would complete the training of all volunteers.
 - The co-ordinator for the police advised that their preference was for equipment with a built-in camera recording facility.
 - Some budget figures for the equipment were available. s106 would be used if possible.
3807. *It was proposed to set a budget of £4250 for the purchase of equipment needed to operate the Speedwatch scheme.*
RESOLVED

Reports from Committees and Portfolio Holders

3808. On the matter of the freehold at Morleys Green, it was noted that correspondence had been received from John Michalik and from Jeffries Essex solicitors. The Council's position remained that it needed an indemnity for legal advice if it were to become involved.

Correspondence and Communications

3809. The Clerk and Chairman Bryan Nanson had contacted Inspired Villages about whether a public access defibrillator could be provided at Ampfield Meadows. They would meet the following week to discuss this further.

Date of Next Meeting

3810. The next ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Monday 14 November 2022 at 7pm in Ampfield Village Hall.

Chairman

Date