

Minutes

Meeting of Ampfield Parish Council: Monday 09 January 2023

Held at Ampfield Village Hall, 7:00pm to 8:05pm

Present

Members of Ampfield Parish Council:

Chairman Bryan Nanson
 Vice Chairman Graham Roads
 Cllr Martin Hatley
 Cllr Julian Jones
 Cllr Chris Ling
 Cllr Julie Trotter

Others

Kate Orange, Clerk/RFO

Apologies

3845. Apologies were received from Cllr Kate McCallum.

Previous Meeting

3846. The Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 14 November 2022 agreed and a copy was signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the Minutes

3847. All matters arising from previous Minutes were handled under the relevant agenda item.

Declarations of Interest

3848. No Member declared any pecuniary or other interest in any business on the agenda for the Meeting.

Minutes of Planning Committee

3849. The Council received the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee 07 November 2022.

Financial Matters

3850. *The Council received the bank reconciliation to the end December 2022.*
 RESOLVED

3851. *The Council received the calculation of working capital to the end of December 2022.*
 RESOLVED

3852. *It was agreed that the following payments should be made:*

	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
	<i>Cllr Ling, refund for polycarbonate</i>	<i>274.46</i>
	<i>SLCC</i>	<i>146.00</i>
	<i>Service sewage plant</i>	<i>201.00</i>
	<i>Refund of expenses</i>	<i>27.36</i>
	<i>Staff costs</i>	<i>801.69</i>
	Total (including VAT)	£1,450.51
RESOLVED		

3853. *It was noted that the following payments had been made between Meetings:*

<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
Water	150.22
Staff costs	800.97
Parish Online subscription	54.00
ICO data registration	35.00
TVBC grounds maintenance instalments	601.74
Bulk propane	1049.85
Electricity	324.74
Total	£3,016.52

RESOLVED

3854. *It was noted that the Council had received the following income:*

<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
Interest	69.26
ANBCC	520.66
(to be confirmed) St Mark's	632.00
Allotments	245.00
Interest	69.26
Total (including VAT)	£1,536.18

RESOLVED

3855. *The Council received the report of expenditure against budget to the end of December 2022.*

RESOLVED

3856. *The Council agreed the Budget for the year 2023-24.*

RESOLVED

3857. *The Council agreed to request from Test Valley Borough Council a precept of £ 43,084.58 for the year 2023-24.*

RESOLVED

3858. *The Council accepted the quotation from Test Valley Borough Council for grounds maintenance (areas other than Morleys Green) for £3,159.34 excluding VAT.*

RESOLVED

3859. The Clerk left the Meeting during the salary review (Minute 3860).

3860. *The Council agreed to advance the salary of the Clerk by one incremental point from 1 January 2023).*

RESOLVED

Chapel Wood

3861. Vice Chairman Graham Roads reported on Chapel Wood:

- The most recent working party of Friends of Chapel Wood had coppiced in the area around the pond, so as to improve views over the pond.
- There would follow a bonfire of the arisings, and fencing if time allowed.
- The management agreement for the burial ground was due for the periodic review.

- Three tenders had been received for the path project. On Monday 16th, Cllrs Nanson, Roads and the Clerk would meet Louise Rice of Test Valley Borough Council to discuss CAF funding. The application deadline was 23 January for the last round of funding in the current financial year.

Highways

3862. Cllr Chris Ling had obtained two sheets of polycarbonate glazing for repair of the bus shelter at the junction of Pound Lane with A3090, following graffiti damage. Cllrs Ling and Hatley would fit the glazing.
3863. Cllr Julie Trotter addressed the Council on parking at Morleys Green. There had been some instances of (mostly commercial) vehicles parked over night in the village hall carpark and village green spaces. The Chair of Morleys Green Management Ltd had suggested that we jointly monitor the parking until the end of the month. Councillors would note details of vehicles parked without authorisation. A notice would be drafted for putting on the offending vehicles.
3864. Cllr Martin Hatley noted that a sign on Hocombe Road had been damaged. He would report it to Hampshire County Councillor Alan Dowden for action.

Vacancy

3865. A seat on the Council was vacant due to the resignation of Cllr David Stevens. This would be advertised for co-option. However, the seat was scheduled for re-election in May.
3866. It was noted that Cllr Rahmen’s seat was likely to have timed out due to non-attendance, and the Clerk would seek instruction from Test Valley Borough Council as to how to proceed.

Report from Committees and Portfolio Holders

3867. Cllr Ling reported that the visit from the Lengthsman on 18 January was the penultimate visit, with the final visit following during April.

Correspondence and Communications

3868. Cllr Ling noted that there had been no further correspondence from the solicitor who was acting for the first buyers of the freehold at Morleys Green. They wanted to limit the indemnity for legal fees whereas the Council needed to be assured that its legal fees would be fully covered.
3869. The Village Hall Committee had notified the Council that the registration of their lease by the Land Registry was likely to take a long time.

Borough Councillor’s Report

3870. Cllr Martin Hatley had approximately £2,500 grant money to distribute before the end of April. Louisa Rice would help. Some may be used for a new shed at the village hall, for storage of outdoor furniture. Some may be available for moving the telephone kiosk and he would ask Mark Hughes (contractor) for advice and an indication of cost.

Other Business

3871. *It was proposed to delegate to the Clerk the function of commenting on Tree Notifications, provided the Clerk had first consulted Councillors by email and the desired response was that the Council is content to rely on the opinion of the Tree Officer.*

RESOLVED

Date of Next Meeting

3872. The next ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Monday 13 February 2023 at 7pm in Ampfield Village Hall.

Chairman

Date