

Draft Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Ampfield Parish Council

This meeting was held at 7pm on Monday 13th July 2026 at Ampfield Village Hall.

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

4924 **Apologies:** None

4925 **Declarations of Interest:** None

4926 **Public Participation:** None

4927 **Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 8th June 2026 - RESOLVED:** Minutes were formally received, agreed by all Councillors as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair.

4928 **Matters arising from the Minutes:** Already covered by agenda and appear elsewhere.

4929 **a. Report from Sally Yalden (TVBC & HCC)** Attached to the end of these Minutes.

b. Report from Committee and Portfolio Holders: Nothing to report.

4930 **Financial Matters**

a. Bank reconciliation – RESOLVED: The Council received the Bank Reconciliation to the end of June 2026.

Bank		Earmarked Reserves	
TSB Current A/c	£2,325.40	Recreation Ground	£20,950.00
TSB Business A/c	£71,809.68	General & Contingency Reserve	£17,000.00
Nationwide at 31/03/2026	£67,248.84	Election reserve	£4,000.00
Total cash	£141,383.92	Capital Replacement Reserve	£12,000.00
		PPE for Ampfield Neighbours reserve	£285.02
		Allotments: refundable deposits	£1,100.00
		Morleys Green Commuted Reserve	£43,777.82
less reserves	£129,187.84	Morleys Green Ground Rent	£30,075.00
Working Capital	£12,196.08	Total Earmarked Reserves	£129,187.84

b. To Authorise accounts for payment – 3 invoices were authorised for payment to;

Parker Bullen	212.40
Cllr Martin Hatley	44.00
Total Refurbishment	270.00

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

Date	Supplier / Customer	Receipt	Payment	Balance
01/06/2026	Opening balance b/fwd			4963.41
02/06/2026	Parker Bullen LLP		385.00	4,578.41
03/06/2026	Lockerley Stone (Memorial Fee)	159.00		4,737.41
10/06/2026	Ampfield Village Hall		15.00	4,722.41
10/06/2026	Ampfield Village Hall		15.00	4,707.41
10/06/2026	Cllr Graham Roads		50.00	4,657.41
10/06/2026	HRG Tree Surgeons		540.00	4,117.41
10/06/2026	Ampfield Village Hall		52.50	4,064.91
10/06/2026	Ampfield Village Hall		120.00	3,944.91

12/06/2026	Business Stream		236.92	3,707.99
15/06/2026	Test Valley Borough Council		407.28	3,300.71
15/06/2026	Test Valley Borough Council		192.77	3,107.94
15/06/2026	Tesco Mobile		10.50	3,097.44
17/06/2026	E.ON NEXT LTD		36.74	3,060.70
17/06/2026	E.ON NEXT LTD	348.42		3,409.12
18/06/2026	Amazon		20.73	3,388.39
25/06/2026	HugoFox Ltd		11.99	3,376.40
25/06/2026	Vokes and Beck	20.00		3,396.40
25/06/2026	Craig Morris Countryside Service		100.00	3,296.40
29/06/2026	ID Mobile		8.00	3,288.40
29/06/2026	Clerk		897.00	2,391.40
29/06/2026	Aaron 24		66.00	2,325.40

Business Account transactions since 1st June 2026.

Date	Supplier / Customer	Receipt	Payment	Balance
01/06/2026	Opening balance b/fwd			71,716.25
10/06/2026	Bank Interest	93.43		71,809.68

- d. Income and anticipated expenditure: RESOLVED:** Councillors were shown the current expenditure against budget. The Morleys Green ground rent figures will need to be updated to show our current spend re legal fee costs.

Cllr Hatley advised that the Village Hall owes the Parish Council some rent for Pavilion hire from when the Village Hall was closed due to having the roof replaced. He will work out how much is owed and will let the Clerk know.

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Policy

- a. To authorise purchase of a new office printer: RESOLVED:** All Councillors **AGREED:** for the Clerk to go ahead and purchase a new office printer with instant ink subscription.
- b. Resilience Plan: RESOLVED:** Cllr Nanson advised that the new TVBC Resilience Officer and Louisa Rice will be holding a workshop on Monday 17th August at 10am and invited Councillors to attend.
- c. Councillor Co-option: RESOLVED:** It was **AGREED:** by all Councillors to hold another co-option exercise for the September meeting.

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Community & Environment

- a. Chapel Wood: RESOLVED:** Cllr Roads advised that due to the hot weather, there has not been a meeting but they are hoping for one this coming Saturday where they will continue with clearing vegetation around the footpaths and there re still three finger posts to put in. Their Annual Business Meeting will be held in the next 6-8 weeks.

Cllr Hatley advised that he is dealing with Louisa Rice at TVBC regarding the replacement bench dedicated to the American airmen.

- b. War Memorial:** Nothing to report.
- c. Burial Ground: RESOLVED:** The cruciform yews are holding up but are becoming a bit overgrown and need to be cleared out. This is too big a job for the friends, so it will need to be done by Grounds Maintenance contractor.
 - i) To consider request from resident to inter son's ashes into plot 123. **RESOLVED:** All Councillors **AGREED:** that the ashes can be interred into the plot and the headstone engraved to reflect this.

- ii) Conifers on plot 123. **RESOLVED:** Clerk has written to the plot holder asking for these to be removed by 18th July.

d. Highways

- i) **A3090 Crossing progress** – Nothing to report.
- ii) **Broken Bench on A3090 by Green Pond Lane - RESOLVED:** This bench was installed by the Parish Council in 2000 to commemorate to Millenium. The bench has multiple broken slats and cannot be sat on. Councillors **AGREED:** to replace the bench; Cllr Yalden has agreed that the funds can come out of her Councillor Community Grant. Cllr Hatley will tape up the bench and will arrange with a contractor for removal. Cllr Roads will remove the original plaque. Council agreed to delegate authority to purchase and install the new bench to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

e. Morleys Green

- i) **Freehold Matters – RESOLVED:** Nothing to report.
- ii) **Community Orchard** – Nothing to report on the orchard, however, Cllr Ling has been watering the new elm trees daily using the water bowser and water bags received from TVBC. We have also ordered another 12 water bags for the new trees when they are eventually planted. Cllr Ling advised that it has been taken around 3 hours daily to complete the watering.

f. Allotments – Clerk advised that we now have one resident on the waiting list.

Cllr Jones advised that there is one plot on the allotments that doesn't appear to have been worked this year. And also asked that the Clerk contact plot holders to let them know that the Southern Water hosepipe restrictions do not apply to allotments. Clerk will contact plot holders to let them know.

Water Butts – Cllr Hatley hasn't managed to progress this any further. Item deferred to the September meeting.

g. Defibrillators: Nothing to report.

h. Telephone Kiosk: Nothing to report.

- i. **Village Hall**– Cllr Hatley advised that there has been lots of positive feedback from hall hirers on how cool the hall is now thanks to the new roof. He also advised that there was another item on the Village Hall wish list that wasn't given in time for our last meeting.

13. Covered 'pergola' in patio area – a low maintenance option eg. aluminium frame.

Cllr Hatley has been collecting signatures from residents and hirers in support of all of the items on the wish list.

The Parish Council also supports all of the initiatives on the wish list as proposed by the Village Hall.

- i) Purchase of a new projector **RESOLVED:** The original projector was purchased by Ampfield Parish Council many years ago via a National Lottery grant. It now works intermittently on Bluetooth unless the HDMI lead is run from the laptop to the projector, Cllrs Hatley, Jones & Ling will investigate options for purchasing a new quiet projector. Suggestions included a 4k projector with a good lamp inside to enable seeing what is projected during daylight hours.

j. Recreation Ground / Pavilion:

- i) **To receive Play Area Inspection report: RESOLVED:** Councillors received the full report in advance of the meeting and the items needing attention were noted. Cllrs Ling and Nanson will look into what actions need to be taken.

- ii) **Solar Panels: RESOLVED:** Cllr Ling went through his presentation on how much power has been saved by having the solar panels. Our first payment of £348.42 from E.ON for the power exported to the grid has been received.
- iii) **Fire Alarm Servicing: RESOLVED:** Nothing received from Walker Fire.

4922 Correspondence and Communications – RESOLVED: Cllr Roads advised that following a Facebook reel on Ampfield School, the site had been broken into over several evenings. This was reported to Police and the Diocese of Winchester. Local residents secured the site as best they could and there will be a visit on Wednesday this week from the Diocese school buildings dept. The Diocese have confirmed that their KC is still trying to confirm ownership of the building.

Clerk advised that she had received a request from a lady wanting to hold group sound bathing in Chapel Wood. Councillors denied this request.

Cllr Hatley thanked Brett at TVBC Grounds Maintenance for assisting promptly in the clean up of tree branches that were blocking sight lines at the Potters Heron junction and also fallen tree branches at Hursley Road on the Hook Road crossroads.

4923 Next Meeting Dates: Planning Meeting – Monday 27th July 2026 at 7:00pm.
Full Council Meeting - Monday 14th September 2026 at 7:00pm

Meeting closed at 8:42pm

Chairman -----

Date -----

June 2026 Report from Cllr Sally Yalden Test Valley Borough Councillor and Hampshire County Councillor

Planning Inspectorate appeal decisions: Five to report – 1 case allowed and 4 dismissed.

1. Home Spring, Houghton Road, Houghton. The appeal was against the refusal of planning permission for erection of self-build live-work building. **Appeal dismissed.**
2. The Boot Inn, High St, Shipton Bellinger. The development proposed is described as “conversation and alteration of the former Boot Inn public house to create residential dwelling and associated works”. **Appeal allowed and planning permission granted.**
3. Aldi, 278 Weyhill Road, Andover. Aldi asked to extend its delivery hours. TVBC refused and Aldi appealed. **Appeal dismissed.**
4. Stepping Stones, Over Wallop. The development proposed was originally described as “Demolish existing bungalow and single garage and construct new detached dwelling and retain the Manor House within the site.” **Appeal dismissed.**
5. Land To Rear of Properties Fronting Gardeners Lane, Gardeners Lane, East Wellow, Hampshire. The development is temporary siting of a caravan for a period of two years. **Appeal dismissed.**

Enforcement cases: There are currently **9** open alleged planning breaches in A&B. **5** in Ampfield, **3** in Braishfield and **1** in the part of Michelmersh & Timsbury in this ward. Of those there was one new entry in Ampfield.

Councillor community grant - The grant is £1,765.75. This grant will need to be spent in the next financial year as with LGR, there will be no carry over.

TVBC Community Development Fund (CDF) - I recently met with Louisa Rice (community engagement manager) and cabinet member Cllr Stewart Macdonald to discuss the Community Development Fund (CDF) across Ampfield and Braishfield. The programme supports community-led projects. In Ampfield, Louisa also met with the village hall team (and parish councillors) to discuss local priorities and explore future opportunities for CDF support. In Braishfield, the Grant's Approval Panel recently met to consider the application for outdoor gym equipment at the Rec. It was encouraging to hear the positive feedback about the Next Gen project as one of the reasons for approving the application, which Louisa and I have been developing with local young people. However, I'd like to specially thank Jane Ray for the excellent work she did in coordinating and managing the application. The Pantry is also being supported with a potential CDF application for new toilet facilities, and Louisa has been helpful in guiding the group through the process.

Bargate Application - The Bargate outline planning application was considered by the Southern Area Planning Committee on the 30th of June. The Committee approved the application in line with the officers' recommendation. Unfortunately, the meeting took place during my pre-booked holiday, so I was disappointingly unable to attend, but a statement was read out on my behalf. Since returning, I have listened to the audio recording. Since the decision, I have been actively raising a number of questions with the case officer and the Head of Development Management South, and I am compiling the responses into a questions and answers log to help clarify issues arising from the Committee's decision. I intend to make this available to both residents and the Parish Council. I have also been considering the options available to the Parish Council following the Committee's decision. These will be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 7 July before any decisions are taken on the next steps.

Test Valley Association of Town and Parish Councils - I am told that the June meeting was positive and there were discussions around local government reorganisation, neighbourhood governance and the opportunities and challenges this presents for parish and town councils over the coming years. The next meeting is Monday 20 July from 5.30pm for a 6pm start. I recently met with the officer who coordinates these sessions and suggested that it would be valuable to bring together a cluster of parish councils facing similar challenges from speculative development. She was receptive to the idea and has taken it on board.

County Matters - I have continued to raise concerns with Hampshire Highways about the very slow pace of pothole repairs and the lack of attention being given to roads in our rural villages. I intend to keep pressing this issue until I am satisfied it is receiving the attention it deserves. I'm also sending regular emails to the Director of Highways. To underline the seriousness of these concerns, I have submitted a question to the Cabinet Member for Highways at Hampshire County Council's Full Council meeting on 16 July. I hope this will help keep the issue firmly on the agenda, and I will report back next month.

I have also been working with North Baddesley Parish Council on a number of local highways matters, including a request for a new pedestrian crossing and concerns about safety and traffic at the junction of Botley Road and Castle Lane. I will continue to progress these issues and keep people updated.

I recently attended the Education Advisory Panel, where members received an introduction to Hampshire's education and inclusion services. Topics included supporting vulnerable children and young people, school transport, and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

It was also the first meeting of the Children & Young People Select Committee. This introductory meeting outlined the committee's work programme for the coming months, which includes children's social care, SEND reforms, NHS Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS), and adoption services. I was also reminded of Hampshire's Local Offer website [SEND Local Offer | Hampshire CTSH](#), which provides a wide range of information and support for children and young people with SEND and their families.

If parish councillors would find it helpful, I would be happy to include a brief summary of other Hampshire County Council meetings in future reports, such as updates from Universal Services, which covers highways, transport and related services.

Casework continues to be very busy across the division, with a daily steady flow of enquiries from residents across the Baddesley division.

My next county council drop-in surgery will take place on Thursday 30 July, from 10.30 am to 12.00 noon, at Beadles Tea Rooms, North Baddesley. Residents are very welcome to come along to discuss any county council matters.