

Minutes

Meeting of Ampfield Parish Council: Monday 10 January 2022

Held at Ampfield Village Hall, 7:00pm to 8:55pm

Present

Members of Ampfield Parish Council:

Chairman Bryan Nanson
Vice Chairman Graham Roads
Cllr Martin Hatley
Cllr Chris Ling
Cllr Mujeeb Rahman
Cllr David Stevens
Cllr Julie Trotter

Others

Kate Orange, Clerk/RFO

Apologies

3544. Apologies were received from Cllr Julian Jones and Cllr Kate McCallum.

Previous Minutes

3545. The Council agreed the Minutes of the Meeting of Monday 08 November 2021 and a copy was signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising from the Minutes

3546. Any matters arising from previous Minutes were handled under the relevant agenda item.

Declarations of Interest

3547. Cllr Julie Trotter declared an interest in the matter covered by Minute 3579. Cllr Trotter withdrew from the Meeting for the discussion and voting on that matter.
3548. No other Member declared any pecuniary or other interest in any business on the agenda for the Meeting.

Minutes of Planning Committee

3549. The Council received the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee of 25/10/2021 and 22/11/2021.

Financial Matters

3550. *The Council received the bank reconciliations to the end November 2021 and end December 2021.*
RESOLVED
3551. *The Council received the calculation of working capital to the end of December 2021.*
RESOLVED

3552. It was agreed that the following payments should be made:

	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
	<i>Business Stream</i>	56.53
	<i>Cllr Ling: refund for new signs (pavilion and bus shelter)</i>	460.24
	<i>SLCC: Clerk's attendance at Practitioners' Conference Feb 2022</i>	90.00
	<i>SLCC Membership Fee 1 Feb 2022 to 31 Jan 2023</i>	144.00
	<i>Clerk: refund of expenses incurred for Council</i>	43.90
	<i>Staff Costs</i>	771.53
	<i>Servicing of sewage treatment plant at pavilion</i>	185.70
	<i>Cllr Roads: refund for materials for Chapel Wood</i>	23.58
	Total (including VAT)	£1,775.48
RESOLVED		

3553. It was noted that the following payments had been made between Meetings:

	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
	<i>ICO annual registration fee</i>	35.00
	<i>Crystal Clean : pavilion window cleaning</i>	30.00
	<i>Parish Online annual subscription</i>	48.00
	<i>Phase 1 pack, Greening Campaign</i>	50.00
	<i>Refund of allotment deposits</i>	75.00
	<i>Eon</i>	82.22
	<i>Staff Costs</i>	882.87
	Total (including VAT)	£1,203.09
RESOLVED		

3554. It was noted that the Council had received the following income:

	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount, £</u>
	<i>VAT refunds</i>	32511.95
	<i>Interest</i>	23.17
	<i>ANBCC rent</i>	500.00
	<i>Allotment rent</i>	45.00
	<i>Allotment refundable deposits</i>	75.00
	Total	£20,826.91
RESOLVED		

3555. *The Council received the report of expenditure against budget to the end of December 2021.*

RESOLVED

3556. *The Asset Register (for audit) dated 31 December 2021 was agreed.*

RESOLVED

Rent for Ampfield and North Baddesley Cricket Club

3557. *For the license with Ampfield and North Baddesley Cricket Club, it was proposed to increase the rent by CPI to £2062 per annum, in accordance with the terms of the license.*

RESOLVED

Annual Salary Review, Clerk

3558. The Clerk left the Meeting for the annual salary review.

3559. *It was proposed to increase the salary of the Clerk by one increment on the salary scale.*

RESOLVED

The Greening Campaign

3560. The Clerk and Vice Chairman Graham Roads had attended an online seminar where Hampshire County Council promoted The Greening Campaign.

3561. *It was agreed to purchase the Phase 1 pack of the Greening Campaign for £50.00.*

RESOLVED

3562. *It was proposed to form a working group to come up with ideas and a plan for the Phase 1 Greening Campaign.*

RESOLVED

3563. Volunteers for the Greening Campaign working party were Vice Chairman Graham Road and Cllr Mujeeb Rahman. Cllr Trotter was considering joining.

Budget and precept 2022-23

3564. It was proposed to adopt the budget for 2022-23 dated 10 January 2022.

RESOLVED

3565. It was proposed to apply to Test Valley Borough Council for a precept of £41,142.64.

RESOLVED

Recreation Ground

3566. Cllr Chris Ling reported on the Recreation Ground:

- During December 2021, an rcd in the pavilion had tripped. Our electricians traced the cause of the tripped rcd to the bollard lights in the carpark. Condensation within the lights was causing the fault. Cllr Ling would contact the manufacturer of the lights.

Chapel Wood

3567. Vice Chairman Graham Roads reported on Chapel Wood:

- A working party of Friends of Chapel Wood had been postponed to the following weekend, due to the poor weather.
- A notification of treework had been submitted to Test Valley Borough Council, but the decision was awaited.
- A bonfire was planned for the working party.
- More information was being sought on a bench which had been installed in Chapel Wood burial ground.

Allotments

3568. The Clerk reported that one allotment plot was vacant.

Highways

3569. Cllr Chris Ling reported on communications with Hampshire County Council (HCC) highways department regarding an additional traffic island on A3090. HCC would no longer consider the proposal without a detailed report. Cllr Ling would investigate the possibility of using an independent traffic consultant.

3570. Cllr Chris Ling noted that the Stage Coach no. 66 bus was now once hourly, not twice. The primary route was now via Abbotswood and Jermyns Lane. None now went along the Straight Mile on weekends and bank holidays.

Signs

3571. The new signs for bus shelters, Recreation Ground and pavilion had been supplied and fitted.

Community Governance Review 2021, Romsey/Romsey Extra parishes

3572. *It was proposed to comment on phase 1 of the Community Governance Review 2021 for Romsey/Romsey Extra parishes:*

"We have no comment to make on these proposals as none change the boundaries of Ampfield Parish."

RESOLVED

Operation London Bridge

3573. *It was proposed to adopt the Operation London Bridge Policy dated 5 January 2022. When the time came, the Council would rely on arrangements made by Test Valley Borough Council for a book of condolences and other arrangements. The Council would have prepared a statement for the front page of the website.*

RESOLVED

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

3574. Cllr Julie Trotter would prepare a proposal for the Council-led commemoration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, for consideration at the next Meeting. It could include low key cake judging at the village market on the Jubilee weekend, and inviting families to picnic on the green.

Covid-19 risks and arrangements for subsequent Meetings

3575. *The Council adopted the COVID-19 risk assessment for public meetings, dated 10 January 2022.*

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Reports from Committees and Portfolio Holders

3576. Cllr Chris Ling reported that the Lengthsman was due to visit on 19 January 2022. Ditches on Knapp Lane were clear; but overhanging vegetation was obscuring the chevrons at the roadside near Hookwood Lane.
3577. Cllr Ling had reported the poor condition of some road-side grit bins to HCC.

Test Valley Borough Councillor's Report

3578. Cllr Martin Hatley reported, as Borough Councillor:
- Paul Jackson, Head of Planning at TVBC had announced that he would retire in April 2022.
 - Construction work at Ampfield Meadows was likely to resume no sooner than April or May, pending appointment of a new contractor.

Freehold Purchase

3579. *The Council agreed to obtain further legal advice on the freehold matter. The Chairman, Cllr Ling and Clerk would instruct with a budget of £2,500.00.*
- RESOLVED

Date of Next Meeting

3580. The next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Monday 14 February 2022 at 7pm in Ampfield Village Hall.

Chairman

Date