



AWBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Thursday,
7th March at 7.30pm in Awbridge Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Grahame Jackson (GJ)
Cllr Peter Allen (PA)
Cllr Gordon Piper (GP)
Cllr Tony Byrne (TB)
Cllr Chris Wheeler (CW)
Cllr Kelly Seymour (KS)

Apologies:

Cllr Janet Whiteley (JW)

In attendance:

Cllr Nick Adams-King (TVBC)
Tracy Sansome (Clerk)
Seven member of the public.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. Welcome

Cllr Jackson welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for coming.

2. Apologies

Received from Cllr J. Whiteley.

3. Declarations of Interest

None were noted.

4. Reports and Correspondence

The Clerk's report was acknowledged. It was noted that audit for this year has been scheduled for 17th May.

5. Public Observations/open period

Cllr Nick Adams-King gave a verbal report:

- Continues to support parish council with ASTER sewerage issues. After a meeting with the local MP C. Nokes – a plan has been proposed to action a resolution. A meeting has been arranged for April 18th 6.30pm for residents affected. This will take place just before the usual Parish Council Meeting.
- New grants will be available around June of this year and may be useful for the updating of speed sign in the village.
- Assessments are ongoing to reduce speed limits to 20mph in some areas (Romsey Town) being one.

Members of the public expressed their views on the item 9.1 Planning for Church Road. Two representatives from developers gave a verbal report to reassure villagers that their views are considered. Primary concerns lie with the damage of mature trees, adequate and sympathetic new planting/screening and security lighting being non-invasive to neighbouring properties. This is to be monitored.

6. Minutes

It was agreed that the draft minutes of the meeting on 25th January be accepted as an accurate record of the business conducted. **RESOLVED.**

7. Matters Arising (from previous meeting of 25th January)

We are expecting monies in lieu of the Stanbridge Earls development – these have not been forthcoming so far. The clerk will monitor.

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STANDING ITEMS

8. Financial and Administrative

a) It was agreed that the Dog bin emptying quote would be accepted.

RESOLVED.

b) Invoices for payment were reviewed and agreed. **RESOLVED.**

c) GP to contact Neighbourhood Care in order to ascertain their request for new 'Care bench'.

d) A contract of employment for the new clerk was agreed after being proposed by GJ and seconded by KS. **RESOLVED.**

GP

9. Planning

9.1 APPLICATION NUMBER:24/00187/VARS

PROPOSAL:

Vary conditions 6, 15 and 16 of 20/01448/FULLS (Proposal of three houses with detached garages and package treatment plant; provide a car park and graveyard extension for All Saints Church) to allow for amended drainage strategy, soft landscaping scheme and management strategy

SITE: Land West Of All Saints Church, Church Lane, Awbridge,

It was agreed NO Objection. RESOLVED

10. Lengthsman

PA proposed that rodding be carried out to clear blocked ditches/pipes along Romsey Road. KS to contact co-ordinator to discuss in detail.

KS

11. Training/meetings - were noted.

BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED

12. Consultations: Draft Local Plan 2040

It was agreed that the clerk send out details and await views from individuals before collating a response.

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13. Electric Vehicle Chargers – potential service in village.

This was agreed to be inappropriate at this time and therefore we would respond accordingly. **RESOLVED**

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14. Banking arrangements.

It was agreed that we would transfer our banking arrangements to UNITY TRUST Bank (specialist in Parish councils). Clerk to apply and complete application. Proposed by PA, Seconded by CW. **RESOLVED**

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15. Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP)

Cllr Gordon Piper gave a short verbal update to clarify that this is still ongoing and work is ongoing with the completion of the plan. Monies that have not been spent this year need to be returned. Clerk to complete financial statement for this.

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16. Hampshire and D Day 6 June 2024

Cllr G Piper that a BBQ/picnic event is being organised for Sunday 9th June. Further details to follow – plans are to hire a singer or band.

17. Traffic Calming

Accepting that the parish council would be responsible for maintenance, it was agreed that we would go ahead with the traffic calming measures. Proposed by GJ and seconded by PA. Clerk to contact HCC.

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Meeting closed at 9.25pm

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY at 7th March 2024

INCOME		
	Total £	
INVOICES TO PAY		
Hansard Pet Centre	Supply of Bags	80.00
Simon Nightingale	VAS Sign VAS0315 January	97.86
SLCC	Membership fee	195.00
TVBC	Dog Bin Emptying (x2 annually)	535.80
Simon Nightingale	VAS Sign VAS0321 February	97.86
Ian Milsom	Clerk Handover Time	220.60
	Total £	1,227.12
OTHER PAYMENTS		
IONOS	Webmail Services (D/D)	22.20
Hugo Fox	Website Hosting (D/D)	11.99
Tracy Sansome	Salary/HA/ICO Certificate	965.20
PAYE		200.00
	Total £	1,199.39
ALLOTTED PROJECTS		
	Total £	
Account Balances		
	at 27th February 2024	
NAT WEST Account 1	Current Account	5,570.11
NAT WEST Account 2	Business Reserve	75,484.67
	Total £	81,054.78
ACTUAL FUNDS		
Available		
	£	78,628.27

