



## AWBRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Thursday,  
25<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm in Awbridge Village Hall

### **Present:**

Cllr Grahame Jackson  
Cllr Peter Allen  
Cllr Gordon Piper  
Cllr Tony Byrne  
Cllr Chris Wheeler  
Cllr Janet Whiteley  
Cllr Kelly Seymour  
Cllr Nick Adams-King (TVBC)  
Tracy Sansome (Clerk)  
One member of the public.

### **Apologies:**

### **PROCEDURAL ITEMS**

#### **1. Welcome**

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

#### **2. Apologies**

None to be noted.

#### **3. Declarations of Interest**

None were noted.

#### **4. Reports and Correspondence**

The Clerk's report was discussed. Planning decisions noted.

#### **5. Public Observations/open period**

Cllr Nick Adams-King gave a verbal report:

- Continues to support parish council with ASTER sewerage issues for residents and a meeting with MP Caroline Nokes is scheduled. This ongoing issue also includes Awbridge School and solutions are being sought.
- A conversation was noted about traffic noise and issues and options around traffic management especially around Saunders Lane.
- It was noted that more potholes have appeared where the new resurfacing took place after new drainage system installed.

- Consultation for County Services – Cllr Adams-King explained how the increased demand for SEN services and Child Care services is impacting other services and nationwide we are expecting potential cuts to Hampshire Recycling sites. The Parish Council agreed to write in response to this consultation in support of keeping potentially affected services.

## 6. Minutes

It was proposed that the draft minutes of the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023 be accepted as an accurate record of the business conducted. **RESOLVED.**

## 7. Matters Arising (from previous meeting of 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023)

None recorded.

## STANDING ITEMS

## 8. Financial and Administrative

a) The new budget for 2024-25 was noted and accepted. The request for Precept was agreed.

b) Invoices for Payment were agreed.

c) It was noted that a financial summary of invoices to be paid was presented in absence of bank reconciliation- still waiting on NAT WEST accepting new clerk to the account.

All the above proposed by Cllr Jackson and seconded by Cllr Seymour.

**RESOLVED.**

## 9. Planning

None presented.

## 10. Lengthsman

Tasks: (outstanding) clear ditches in the Romsey Road and a grass cutting tasks for the worksheet was agreed.

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## BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED

## 11. Consultations: Future Services Consultation

This was discussed in Item 5 with Cllr Nick Adams-King.

TS/GJ to compose response in support of retaining current services

GJ

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## 12. Banking changeover with new clerk as signatory is in progress.

**13. 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.

**14. Hampshire and D Day 6 June 2024**

It was explained by Cllr Piper that the legislation and costs of insurance are too complex to arrange an event that involves bonfires and similar beacons. It was agreed that all would facilitate other ideas to be discussed next meeting.

**15. Traffic Calming**

There was a discussion involving white lines needed on the roads and it needs to be clarified whether highways can requested to support this. This will move to next meeting.

**16. Meeting Dates**

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

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**Meeting closed at 9.15pm**

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