BAYDON PARISH COUNCIL



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Baydon Parish Council Meeting

Minutes for Meeting held on Monday 21st October 2024 at 8.00pm in the BYPA Hall, 6 Manor Lane, SN8 2JE.

Present

Cllr. Cllr. Chidgey Cllr. Steve Sutton

Cllr. Gary Wyatt-Hawkins

Cllr. Brian Billington

Members of public in attendance: 3

MINUTES

71 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Mackenzie-Smith and Clerk, Fiona Ryder.

72 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

73 Minutes from Previous Parish Council Meeting

The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 9th September 2024 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

74 Actions from Previous Meetings

24-25/060a – Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins to liaise with Community Speed Watch Group.

Lambourn Parish Council has provided contact information for the councillor who will coordinate the training and guidance of those members of the community interested in participating in the scheme. Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins will distribute the contact details accordingly.

23-24/77 - Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins, Cllr Billington to download SID data on a regular basis and send to PCSO Melissa Camilleri. The Chair asked if Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins was able to download the data, and this was confirmed.

24-25/010 – Clerk to Contact BYPA Hall to request that it be used as an Emergency Contact Hub. The Clerk to provide an update at the next meeting.

24-25/010 – The Clerk to read through updated Financial Regulations just released and bring back to full council for approval. The Clerk to provide an update at the next meeting.

24-25/016 - The Clerk and Chair to discuss the Asset Register, update and bring back to meeting for approval. The Clerk to provide an update at the next meeting.

24-25/32b – The Clerk to obtain a replacement cost for WWI memorial clock. The Clerk to provide an update at the next meeting.

24-25/062 – Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins to check details of The Green with Parish Online. Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins reported that no information could be found but that Wiltshire Council would accept requests for the information. Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins to progress the matter.

24-25/062a - Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins to attend Police Neighbourhood County Forum on 20th November. Cllr Chidgey confirmed she will definitely attend.

24-25/066 - Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins to carry out Salt Bin survey and report back to Clerk. Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins confirmed this has been completed and reported to Wiltshire Council.

24-25/067 - Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins to provide additional responses to NPPF. Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins confirmed this has been completed.

24-25/068 - Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins to provide Agenda and Minutes for VDS meeting. Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins confirmed this has been completed.

75 **Public Section**

Jim Grove thanked the Parish Council for its donation to the Village Fireworks.

76 Chair's Report

On Tuesday, the 1st of October 2024, Cllr Chidgey attended the Marlborough Area Board meeting, of which James Shepard and Jane David are members. Cllr Chidgey reported that the meeting showed how Wiltshire Council supports local causes through the provision of grants. The meeting opened with songs from the "Marlborough Singalong Social", which had received a grant of £500.00 to help older and isolated people and those with additional needs to meet and sing together. The enjoyment and enthusiasm of the participants was remarkable.

Wiltshire Police, Acting Inspector Chris Wickham, provided an update on activities in the Marlborough area and updates were given from previous grant recipients including Marlborough Sports Forum, Aldbourne Youth Council, MantonFest, and Merchant's House.

Grants were awarded to Ramsbury & Aldbourne Bowls Club, Monday Club, St Peter and St Paul Church - which no longer functions as a church, but is now used as a community centre and funds were awarded for roof repairs.

Cllr Chidgey advised that a presence at Marlborough Board meetings from Baydon Parish Council would be beneficial should it be looking for grants for future projects.

On Saturday the 5th of November, Danny Kruger, MP for East Wiltshire, held an open surgery at the BYPA. There was moderate attendance. Discussion centred around traffic coming through the village when the M4 is closed, and parking. Mr Kruger has confirmed that he will review the current mitigations in place in Baydon and consult with Wiltshire County Council to see if anything else can be done. He will also check with Highways regarding diversions to see if any routes have been signed off (Cllr Chidgey is also progressing this matter). Mr Kruger's team will write to the school regarding the parking issues and contact Membury Services and Walker Logistics to see if they can advise their drivers not to travel through Baydon.

At the LHFIG meeting on the 17th of October, it was confirmed that it would enable virtual attendance (via Teams) going forward. The only matter concerning Baydon was the confirmation that a dropped curb opposite Pines Cottage was not possible due to the location of another dropped curb within 12m and budgetary limitations.

The possibility of a village fundraiser was raised and it was determined that checks with Wiltshire Council should be undertaken before the initiative is progressed.

Action: Cllr Chidgey and Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins

77 Clerks Report

The Parish Steward has cleared roadside drains at the junction of Ermin Street and Manor Lane and filled potholes on Finches Lane and the lane running past the sewage works. He has also cut back overgrown foliage on Finches Lane, cleared leaves and debris from the chicane and cleaned the road signs on Ermin Street.

The BYPA hall has been booked for Baydon Parish Council meetings on the following dates in 2025: 13th of January, 24th of February and 7th of April.

The Clerk will have a Baydon Parish Council email address, which is parishclerk@baydon.org. The email is being set-up the Clerk who will transfer to this address in the next few months.

A draft Budget will be prepared for presentation at the next Full Council Meeting. On receiving a higher than normal electricity bill from SSE. A new 2-year contract was entered into with the following rates. 25.6p per KWH, 52p per day vs 29.6 per KWH 53p per day.

78 Finance Report

The finance report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Income since the last meeting: **Expenditure since the last meeting:** Interest £ 66.36 MJ Baker Payroll £ 22.50 Precept £8470.00 Tesco Mobile £ 8.09 £ 198.73 SSE HMRC QTR2 £ 38.80 ICO Data Protection Fee £ 35.00 £ 160.80 ROSPA Play Area Inspection Pains Fireworks £ 450.00 Certhia Consulting £ 270.00 £ 20.00 Clerks Expenses WFH

The Council approved the finance report and income and expenditure to date.

79 **Tree Survey**

No immediate actions are required except to re-report tree G2 to Highways after checking with the consultant, Guy Watson.

80 Christmas Events

Cllr Chidgey confirmed that there will be Carols around the Christmas Tree on the 20th of December, that new Carol Sheets may be required, and that a discussion with the Clerk is required.

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A quote for refreshments will be provided based on 75 people.

The tree will be erected on either 30th of November or the 1st of December.

Jim Grove offered to check the Lights with assistance to make sure they work.

Action: Cllr Sutton

Cllr Chidgey **proposed** that the Christmas Tree's height be increased to 18-feet but the type of tree changed to a Norway Spruce – the cost will be £280.07 Unanimously Agreed.

81 Baydon Scene Renewal

Cllr Chidgey proposed renewal of advertising in Baydon Scene at £200.00 for 6 issues. Unanimously Agreed.

82 ROSPA Annual Play Area Inspection

It was agreed that regular inspections would be undertaken on the Cableway and Swing Basket as advised. Unanimously Agreed.

83 Replacement Tree on The Green

Cllr Chidgey proposed deferment until the spring of 2025. Unanimously Agreed.

84 Planning Application

Application: PL/2024/09060

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) relating to application PL/2024/03207.

Address: Hazelbury Farm, Goor Lane

Deadline: 12th November

Planning Application: PL/2024/09060 (wiltshire.gov.uk)

Cllr Chidgey proposed, and Cllr Billington seconded that there should be No Objection. Unanimously Agreed.

85 **Police Parish Report**

Cllr Chidgey confirmed the PCSO would be holding a consultation on Thursday the 24th of November at Baydon Post Office and General Stores between 11:00 and 12:00.

86 Village Design Statement

Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins confirmed that the minutes for the first meeting held on the 18th of September 2024 had been prepared and circulated to the members of the working group via a shared online project folder. All members had formally agreed to share their contact details, and a Chair had been elected.

The agenda for the next meeting has been drafted, and once a date has been agreed, both documents will be sent to the Clerk.

A WhatsApp group had also been set up to allow the group to communicate, and a draft of a residents' questionnaire had been prepared for consideration at the next meeting before being presented to the council.

A revised map of the village will be investigated and shared with the Parish Council.

Action: Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins and the VDS Working Group

87 Matters for Future Consideration

Any items to be put forward for the agenda or any reports should be sent to the Clerk at least 10 days in advance of the next meeting.

88 Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is Monday 25th November 2024 at 8pm in the BYPA hall.

Meeting Closed at 8.45pm