



BAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Baydon Parish Council Meeting

Minutes for Meeting held on Monday 13th January 2025 at 8.00pm in the BYPA Hall, 6 Manor Lane, SN8 2JE.

Present

Cllr. Sarah Chidgey - Chair
Cllr. Hugo Mackenzie-Smith
Cllr. Gary Wyatt-Hawkins
Cllr. Brian Billington.

Clerk: Fiona Ryder

Members of Public in attendance: 1

104 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Sutton.

105 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

106 Minutes from Previous Parish Council Meeting

The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 25th November 2024 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

107 Actions from Previous Meeting

23-24/123 – Investigate cost of replacement native/non fruiting tree for The Green, to be actioned in spring 2025.

23-24/124 – Cllr Chidgey has heard back from a new contact at Highways regarding diverted traffic from the M4, Baydon is not a designated route, it is likely that Sat Nav's are being followed. Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins will investigate contacting Sat Nav companies.

Action: Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins

Weight limit restrictions have been investigated, however, it is not viable due to the number of separate Councils that would be involved.

Cllr Chidgey will respond to Highways contact regarding the use of Sat Nav.

Action: Cllr Chidgey

23-24/128 – A Village Design Statement meeting has been arranged for 29th January. The agenda and minutes will be circulated.

23-24/158 – BYPA Hall being used as an Emergency Contact Hub is being progressed by the BYPA Hall.

24-25/038 – Repair to the sign on The Green will be progressed when the weather is better.

24-25/060a – Traffic Survey request forms have been submitted, awaiting outcome.

24-25/062 – Details of ‘ownership’ of The Green have been received from Wiltshire Council. The land is recorded within the Register of Common Land with Baydon Parish Council included as the owner.

24-25/076 – The request for a dropped kerb has not progressed through LHFIG, this item will be closed.

24-25/086 – A revised map of the parish will be provided as an electronic copy.

Action: Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins

24-25/097 – CIL Funds are to be used on a SID on Aldbourne Road, awaiting results of Traffic Survey.

24-25/100 – 2025/26 Precept request has been submitted to Wiltshire Council.

108 **Public Section**

There was one member of public in attendance who wished to thank Christopher Grasson and Mike Hale for their assistance with the Christmas tree.

109 **Chair’s Report**

Thanks were expressed to the Christmas tree team for setting up and removing the tree, and to Christopher Grasson for helping get the tree up and Mike Hale for disposing of the tree.

The Chair had attended the Area Board Meeting on 3rd December which focussed heavily on Policing, the Police and Crime Commissioner was also in attendance. It was reported that crime figures have improved.

A number of trees came down in the parish as a result of Storm Darragh, two at the top of Dark Lane, one by the sewerage works and one in Willow Lane. All of which have now been cleared.

The Allotment AGM was held on 10th December, attended by the Chair.

Elections information has been circulated. May 2025 elections will go ahead in Wiltshire, there will be a three-week window whereby nominations can be submitted.

Dorset, Somerset and Wiltshire Councils have submitted a letter to the Government to confirm they wish to be considered as part of the Devolution Priority Programme.

The next Police Community Consultation is due to be held in the BYPA hall between 7pm and 8pm on 19th February.

110 **Clerks Report**

The Parish Steward has cleared leaves from the chicane on Ermin Street, cleared gullies and drainage channels at the Ermin Street/Manor Lane Junction, filled potholes on Ermin Street, Finches Lane and Downsmead, cut back vegetation around signs on Sewer Lane, cleared Rat Traps on Aldbourne Road and cleaned bollards on Baydon Road opposite the Post Office.

It appears that the bin near the playing field is not being emptied as regularly as it should, we are keeping an eye on this and have contacted the contractor.

The next Marlborough Area Board meeting will be held at 7pm on 11th February in Marlborough Town Hall.

Action: Cllr Chidgey

South West Ambulance Trust have asked if there would be any interest in a Defibrillator Awareness Session in Baydon. It was agreed to put a post on Facebook asking if there is any interest.

Action: Clerk

111 **Finance Report**

The finance report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Income since the last meeting:

Interest £ 66.36

Payments for approval:

BYPA Hall Hire 2024 £ 126.00

SSE £ 44.69

Chairs Expenses £ 45.00

Direct Debits due:

Tesco Mobile £ 8.09

Expenditure since the last meeting:

MJ Baker Payroll £ 11.25

Tesco Mobile £ 8.09

Idverde £ 67.20

Clerks Expenses WFH £ 40.00

Castle Water £ 71.05

Needlefresh £ 336.08

Baydon Scene £ 200.00

The Parish Council approved the report, income and expenditure to date and payments due.

112 CIL Funds Update

It has been agreed to use CIL Funds to install a Speed Indicator Device on Aldbourne Road.

Other ideas included new event shelters and a bus shelter. It was agreed to leave the CIL funds and revisit at a later date.

113 Village Design Statement

This item was covered earlier in the meeting.

114 Future Meeting Dates

Future meeting dates were approved as:

7th April 2025, 19th May 2025, 23rd June 2025, 21st July 2025, 8th September 2025, 20th October 2025, 8th December 2025, 19th January 2026, 2nd March 2026.

115 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.

116 Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is **Monday 24th February 2024** at 8pm in the BYPA hall.

Meeting Closed at 8.40pm