



BAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Baydon Parish Council Meeting

Minutes for Meeting held on Monday 24th February 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: 2

117 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Sutton.

118 Declarations of Interest

Cllr McKenzie-Smith declared an interest in agenda item 126.

119 Minutes from Previous Parish Council Meeting

The minutes of the Full Council meeting held on Monday 13th January 2025 were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair.

120 Actions from Previous Meeting

23-24/124 – Cllr Chidgey has previously contacted Danny Kruger regarding M4 diverted traffic issues but has had no response to date. There has also been no response regarding issues raised at the surgery held in Baydon. Highways have confirmed that the official diversion route is not through Baydon. Contact with Sat Nav companies will be followed up.

Action: Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins

Cllr Chidgey will continue to investigate diversion route signage improvements.

Action: Cllr Chidgey

23-24/128 – The Village Design Statement group met recently, an action plan is being put together and a survey/leaflet drop will be required.

24-25/060a – The Traffic Surveys are in place on Ermin Street and Aldbourne Road and will remain in situ for a week.

24-25/068 – Agenda and Minutes of VDS meeting have been circulated.

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

Action: Cllr Wyatt-Hawkins

24-25/110 – The Marlborough Area Board Meeting was not attended due to ill health.

121 Public Section

There were two members of public in attendance. One member of public addressed the council with litter concerns. The member of public had been out litter picking.

122 Chair's Report

The Bollard by the chicane had been knocked over, the Chair and Cllr Billington reported the issue and are awaiting electricians to repair.

The latest decision date for 9 houses on land off Russley Green had been moved to 21st February, to date there is still no update.

The latest PCSO consultation was postponed due to illness, we were not informed until the Chair made contact to confirm that the meeting would be going ahead. The Chair has raised the issue of missed consultations with Police Sergeant Chris Wickham, the neighbourhood Sergeant for the team that covers Baydon. Sgt Wickham will carry out a policy review for when PCSOs are unavailable.

Whilst being in contact with Sgt Wickham, parking issues relating to school drop off/pick up were raised and a police presence requested.

VE day on 8th May was discussed. The Parish Council has no plans to light a beacon.

Cllr Billington attended the Public Rights of Way online session this evening, there was no new information to share.

123 Clerks Report

The Parish Steward has filled potholes on the lane that runs past the waste water treatment works and Aldbourne Road, cleaned road signage including 20mph school warning signs and Ermin Street/Manor Lane priority traffic signs, cleared drainage on Manor Lane Junction and cleared the area around the chicane on Ermin Street.

The Parish Council does not intend entering the Best Kept Village Competition 2025.

A defibrillator awareness session has been booked for 26th March 7-8pm in the BYPA Hall. There has been a lot of interest, with over 20 people already registered.

A date will be arranged for a litter pick during this year's Great British Spring Clean. The Clerk will request additional equipment and collection of full bags following the event.

Action: Clerk

Wiltshire Council are asking for locations of the top 5 gullies to be cleared on the next visit. The crew can clear gullies and jet systems, they will visit Baydon in early May.

The bin on Manor Lane has been overflowing recently, it has now been emptied. A notice will be put in the newsletter asking people to take their litter/dog bags home or use an alternative bin rather than leave it next to a full bin.

Email received asking Parish Council to take action to reduce unsafe parking near the school. This is an ongoing issue that has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council numerous times. A Highway Improvement Request has previously been submitted to Wiltshire Council, road markings were refreshed and we were advised that the issues should be addressed through the school travel plan. Resources for highway safety and improvement is limited and has to be spread across the whole of Wiltshire where similar issues occur outside most educational establishment. Wiltshire Council closed the case. The

Parish Council has also raised the issue with Danny Kruger. Whilst sympathetic with the issues raised, the Parish Council is not the Highway Authority and does not have the powers of the Police or Wiltshire Council.

124 **Finance Report**

The finance report was circulated prior to the meeting.

Income since the last meeting:

Expenditure since the last meeting:

Baydon PO & Stores	£ 320.21
Chairs Expenses	£ 45.00
BYPA Hall	£ 126.00
SSE	£ 44.69
Tesco Mobile	£ 8.09
Idverde	£ 33.60
MJ Baker Payroll	£ 11.25

Payments to be approved:

None

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

125 **Elections 2025**

Clerk to keep Councillors and members of public updated with information regarding the upcoming elections. The webinar for new Councillors with instructions for standing at the election will also be shared.

126 **Planning Applications**

CLlr Mackenzie-Smith spoke to give details of the following applications but did not vote on the Parish Councils comment.

Application: PL/2025/01135

Proposal: Erection of Farm Office.

Address: Baydon Valley Farm, Manor Lane

Comments: No objection

Application: PL/2025/01907

Proposal: Extensions and Alterations.

Address: Baydon Valley Farm, Manor Lane

Comments: No objection

127 **Complaints Procedure**

The Parish Council resolved to adopt the updated complaints procedure.

128 **Vexatious Complaints Policy**

The Parish Council resolved to adopt the vexatious complaints policy.

129 **Village Design Statement**

A survey is being put together including the option of online submission, the survey will be brought to the Council for approval prior to being shared.

130 **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.

131 **Date of the Next Meeting**

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting is **Monday 7th April 2025** at 8pm in the BYPA hall.

Meeting Closed at 8.44pm