

WOOTTON ST LAWRENCE WITH RAMSDELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 16th January 2023 at Ramsdell Village Hall

Present: Cllr Sarah Curtis, Chairman
Cllr Jane James, Cllr Chris Fenner
Cllr Greg Childs, Cllr John Davies
Cllr Jenny Englefield, Kirsty Shaw - Parish Clerk,
Cllr David McIntyre, Cllr Rhydian Vaughan
Cllr Abigail Compton-Burnett
Three members of the public
Richard Barter and Steve Davies – TA Fisher for Item 4

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from the Police.

2. Register of Interests

There was no register of interests.

3. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Land at Monk Sherborne Road, Charter Alley

Richard Barter and Steve Davies from TA Fisher attended to discuss the plans for the land. They would like to make the site more aesthetically pleasing. They would like to build houses. They shared the plans with the Cllrs and asked for feedback. A further planning application would be submitted in the future.

Richard and Steve left the meeting at 7.26pm.

5. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2022 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising that would not be covered in the agenda.

7. County Councillor's Report

Cllr Vaughan sends the Parish Council regular updates from Hampshire County Council. Cllr Vaughan gave the Parish Council posters asking for cars to slow down. Cllr Vaughan had sent information about who to report highway issues to. The weather has made road conditions worse.

Cllr Vaughan reminded the Parish Council that there are some funds available to contribute to a speed monitor to use within the villages. The Parish Council would need to complete the grant request before the end of February.

Cllr Englefield noted there were some road signs thrown over a hedge, she asked what can be done about them. Cllr Vaughan confirmed to email roads@hants.gov.uk to arrange collection.

8. Police Report

The Police sent a written report and the Clerk has circulated this to Parish Councillors. There will be a new link Police Officer, Kieron Venn.

There has recently been another burnt out car in Wootton St Lawrence.

A resident in Wootton St Lawrence hired a skip which was then filled up by someone unknown.

Cllr Childs advised that there have been several dog incidents which have not been reported to the Police. Dogs have been off leads chasing hares.

9. Play Area Updates

The play areas have continued to be inspected by BDBC. There was a concern raised about the timber decaying in Ramsdell. Cllr Englefield will look at this.

10. Borough Councillor's Report

Cllr McIntyre confirmed that it is simple to report pot holes on the Hampshire County Council website.

Cllr McIntyre advised that there has been a lot of work at the council and the Town Strategy has been approved. There has been a change in dynamics as the change to buying online has affected shops. Residents need to be encouraged into the town by adding more entertainment and family events. There is a new leisure park plan for some existing facilities to be upgraded and for some more leisure activities.

Cllr McIntyre confirmed council tax charges and car park charges have been frozen to help keep costs down for residents.

Cllr McIntyre advised that Sherborne St John Parish Council have a speed monitor and they are working with the roads policing unit. The monitor can collect data to share the hotspots with police.

Cllr McIntyre was asked about the levelling up and regeneration bill. He advised that the council has over delivered but they still have to deliver a specific amount even if they have over delivered previously. It is hoped that this can change to get credit for over delivering. There are set proposals for a national policy framework. Cllr McIntyre will email clerks and chairs to set a date to get some input. The impact of the targets for the communities is not having the amenities needed for new developments.

Cllr Compton-Burnett advised that the access for the construction at Manydown has started on the Roman Road.

The Chairman asked what has happened with the Jubilee trees being donated by the council. Cllr McIntyre will chase this up.

11. Highways and related items

11.1 Cllr Fenner reported that the whole of the entrance to the recreation ground is flooded, the water table is high so the problem may never be solved. Whatever is done may not make any difference so it may not be worth spending money. Cllr Fenner suggested road signs are a priority rather than the culvert

11.2 Speed monitors have already been discussed earlier in the agenda.

11.3 The bench for Ramsdell has been ordered.

12. Lengthsman's Scheme

There are no funds left this financial year.

13. Financial Matters

13.1 The financial statements as at the end of November and December were agreed and the bank statements signed. The Parish Council currently have a total of £12397.21 in the bank account.

13.2 The following payments were approved:

- 000752 – Reformation Ltd – Bench for Ramsdell - £439.00
- 000753 – Stuart Michaels Associates – Culvert Ramsdell - £1775.24
- 000754 – Haines Planning - £300
- 000755 – Kirsty Shaw – Clerk Fees/HMRC - £204.90
- 000756 – Kirsty Shaw – Microsoft 365 and McAfee - £49.99
- 000757 – Old Ramsdell Village Hall - £40.00

13.3 It was agreed to request the same amount for the Parish Precept for 2023-24.

14. Planning Applications (please refer to BDBC website or click on the links below)

Planning Applications

To receive and discuss planning applications. The Parish Council comments can be found on Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council website or click on the links below.

- [Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed conversion of existing loft, hip to gable and erection of a rear dormer.](#) 

1 Springfield Monk Sherborne Road Ramsdell Hampshire RG26 5PR
Ref. No: 22/03348/LDPO | Received: Mon 19 Dec 2022 | Validated: Mon 19 Dec 2022 | Status:
Registered

- [T1 Oak: fell.](#) 

The Old School Basingstoke Road Ramsdell Tadley Hampshire RG26 5RB
Ref. No: T/00541/22/TCA | Received: Thu 15 Dec 2022 | Validated: Thu 15 Dec 2022 | Status:
Registered

- [T1/T2 Oak trees: reduce one overhanging branches by 3m leaving a finished branch length of 3m. T3 Oak: reduce two overhanging branches by 3m leave a finished branch length of 3m. T4/T5 Apple trees: crown reduce by 1.5m to leave a finished height of 1.5m and crown spread \(radius\) of 1.5m\).](#)

Hope House Basingstoke Road Ramsdell Tadley Hampshire RG26 5RB

Ref. No: T/00476/22/TCA | Received: Thu 10 Nov 2022 | Validated: Mon 14 Nov 2022 | Status: Registered

- [T1 Ash: fell.](#)

Hope House Basingstoke Road Ramsdell Tadley Hampshire RG26 5RB

Ref. No: T/00477/22/TCA | Received: Mon 31 Oct 2022 | Validated: Wed 02 Nov 2022 | Status: Registered

- [T1 Eucaluptus - fell.](#)

The Well House Basingstoke Road Ramsdell Tadley Hampshire RG26 5RB

Ref. No: T/00475/22/TCA | Received: Mon 31 Oct 2022 | Validated: Wed 02 Nov 2022 | Status: Registered

15. Local Planning Concerns / Local Plan Update

Cllr Fenner will check the website for updates on the progress of some planning applications.

16. Correspondence

There was a village meeting held with Ewhurst. The lines of communication will be open with them. Ewhurst have released a protected species of beavers today. Ewhurst are discussing having wild boar and there is concern in the village that they could get out onto the footpath.

17. Date of next meeting and items for the agenda

Monday 13th March 2023 - New Ramsdell Village Hall - 7.00pm

Traffic Speed Monitor

Budget 2023/24

Bee Festival Update

The meeting ended at 8.10pm