

## WOOTTON ST LAWRENCE WITH RAMSDELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at Ramsdell Village Hall

**PRESENT:** Cllr Sarah Curtis, Chairman

Cllr Chris Fenner, Cllr Jane James, Cllr Greg Childs, Cllr John Davies, Cllr Jenny Englefield and four members of the public.

**APOLOGIES:** Kirsty Shaw – Clerk, Cllr Simon Minus-Bound, Cllr Rhydian Vaughan, Cllr Jay Ganesh, Cllr Abigail Compton-Burnett.

3. There were no declarations of interest from the Parish Councillors.
4. The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 were agreed and signed by the chairman.
5. There were no matters arising that are not on the agenda for the meeting.
6. The County Councillor send an email with his report before this meeting for the councillors to read.
7. Cllr Englefield spoke of travellers with 14 caravans that have moved onto the Overton Playing fields. Also, a car has been burnt out at Shot Hanger in a farmer's gateway.
8. The clerk will update us regarding an email to BDBC for a name to fit and replace the pole at the Ramsdell Recreation ground. No further information on the play area inspections.
9. No Borough Councillors reports.
10. Grass has been cut at WSL play area. The path needs to be trimmed along by the nursery, but it was agreed that it could wait until the nursery closes for the summer holidays. Cllr Englefield to contact lengths man to get the grass cut around the pinch points coming into Ramsdell, to improve visibility.
11. The Parish Council are waiting on a letter from Mr Tully regarding a plan with the litter picking.

A HCC representative came out from footpaths to discuss the unsafe wall by WSL Church. He didn't feel it was that unsafe and has said he will come and check it every 3-6 months to ensure it doesn't get any worse.

Lloyds Lane, has a bad pothole that has been marked so we are hoping that highways will be out to fix it soon.

We still need more funding for the speed monitor and are waiting for more information for the clerk.
12. A Meeting was held on the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to agree the minor changes to the internal audit. Everyone was in full agreement about these changes.
13. We need to look at the budget to make a few changes. Finances are a bit tight. The bank statement for April 2023 was signed but we have some queries for May and June 2023. Cllr Fenner to contact the clerk.

The Clerk needs to check the amount for the play area inspections. Is it £300 or £500.

No payments have been made since our last meeting.

14. A discussion was held regarding the planning application for the holiday accommodation. This focused on noise, access and light pollution. The access has been approved.

15. Some Councillors had a meeting with the Ramsdell Cricket Club to hear their plans for a new pavilion. It is all in the early stages. They would need a lease from the PC to enable them to obtain grants towards the new pavilion. They are also considering a social club within the new pavilion with the demise of the local pub. Cllr Davies suggested that the cricket club pay any legal fees if/when we get that far along.

Cllr Fenner reported that it will probably be the end of the year before the Local Plan has been updated. The Neighbourhood Plan is in limbo until the local plan has been decided.

16. Cllr Childs reported that the Bee Festival has been scaled down on the second day. However they have managed to secure a video message from the Archbishop of Canterbury for the Sunday morning service! Please remind everyone the dates for their diaries are 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> August 2023.

17. A member of the public reported that the road is eroding along the Basingstoke Road at the bottom of Rose Hill. It is very bad opposite Paul Bailey's house. Cllr James will report this problem to Highways.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

The meeting closed at 7.32pm.