

WEST HENDRED PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of West Hendred Parish held on Thursday 10th May 2024 at 7.30pm At West Hendred Village Hall

Present: Cllr Dave Clayton (Chair), Cllr Hugo Axel-Berg, Cllr Sarah Lloyd, Cllr Matthew Evans, Cllr Claire Pill

Clerk/Finance Officer: Julia Evans

District Councillor: Cllr Sarah James

County Councillor:

**Members of the
Public:**

		Action:
51/24	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE None	
52/24	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllr Pill for agenda item 10b.	
53/24	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved. Proposed Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Axel-Berg. RESOLVED. The minutes were signed.	
54/24	OPEN FORUM Nothing.	
55/24	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES a) Noticeboard Maintance – Cllr Axel-Berg had dealt with the external woodwork. Waiting for the leg to be repaired.	Clerk
56/24	UPDATE ON PROPOSED CROSSING ON A417 AND VARIOUS SPEED REDUCTION MEASURES OCC was waiting for an arboricultural assessment on the overhanging tree. Clerk to ask Cllr Povolotsky to chase for an update. The public consultation for the 20mph scheme was due in late May or June. There were only two places in the village where speedwatch could be carried out.	
57/24	SID POLES AND SID UNIT It was noted that Speedwatch could not be carried out where there is an active SID/VAS. The site of the poles would be given by OCC and would be based on strict safety criteria. Speedwatch has been shown to be more effective than SIDs. The total cost of implementation would be around £5k which is 50% of the annual precept. The Parish Council had commissioned two speed monitors from OCC. It was agreed to wait for the data from that.	
58/24	DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT A written report had been circulated. At the meeting Cllr James reported: a) She had been appointed leader of the Green party at the Vale. b) She encouraged the Parish Council to respond to the corporate plan consultation. She pointed out that anything in the plan had to be delivered. c) The Climate Action fund was open for applications until the end of June. d) Grants were also available from the Rural Prosperity Fund and	

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	Magnox. Cllr James was thanked for attending.	
59/24	COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT A written report had been circulated.	
60/24	PLAYING FIELD a) Playground Inspection. (Cllr Lloyd for April, Cllr Evans for May). It was again noted that some of the equipment was looking tired. Some of the broken items needed to be removed. Cllr Axel-Berg offered to do this. A stake was required for the birch tree. Clerk to ask Mr Tarrant to do this. The fence was to be looked at in September. b) Agility Trail. Cllr Evans had met with Wicksteed and was awaiting a quote for the agility trail and the swings. He was to contact Proludic for a third quote. It was suggested that the focus be on the swings. Ask Mr Tarrant to remove the old traol. c) Replacement of football nets. This was to be carried forward until it was known how much the replacement of the agility trail and swings would cost.	HAB/Clerk ME
61/24	PLANNING MATTERS a) Proposal for development at Ardington. There was nothing to report. b) New applications. None.	
	FINANCIAL MATTERS	
62/24	Ratification of April payments. The payments totalling £312.50 were ratified. Proposed Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Axel-Berg. RESOLVED.	
63/24	Approval of May Payments The payments totalling £549.50 were approved. Proposed Cllr Clayton, Seconded Cllr Lloyd. RESOLVED.	
64/24	MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE None.	
65/24	NEWSLETTER ITEMS a) Update on the crossing. b) 20mph consultation imminent	SL
66/24	AOB (for information only) a) Playing Field & Defibrillator inspections: Cllr Pill – June, Cllr Axel-Berg – July	
67/24	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 11 th July 2024 in the Village Hall.	

The meeting closed at 20.08

Signed

Dated