

WEST HENDRED PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of West Hendred Parish held on Thursday 7th November 2024 at 7.30pm At West Hendred Village Hall

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

Clerk/Finance Officer: Julia Evans

District Councillor:

County Councillor:

Members of the Public:

		Action:
105/24	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr Clayton, District Cllr James.	
106/24	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None.	
107/24	MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS The minutes of the meeting held on 19 th September July 2024 were reviewed and approved. Proposed Cllr Pill, Seconded Cllr Lloyd. RESOLVED. The minutes were signed.	
108/24	OPEN FORUM A member of the public had written regarding the sale of a housing association house. Clerk to write to Sovereign asking about the number of properties in the village and whether they have a plan to sell them.	Clerk
109/24	MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES a) Noticeboard Maintenance – Clerk to chase. b) SID Poles and unit. Matter closed. c) Trees on The Greenway. It was noted that the trees were still alive. It was agreed to check again in the spring. d) Dog Poo signs. This was being progressed. e) Bus Shelter refurbishment. The downpipes needed to be repaired and new ply installed inside then painted. Cllr Axel-Berg to provide a spec. Clerk to seek a quote.	Clerk CLOSED c/f CP HAB/Clerk
110/24	UPDATE ON PROPOSED CROSSING ON A417 AND VARIOUS SPEED REDUCTION MEASURES The consultation on the crossing was due to close on 8 th November. The 20mph limit had been implemented. Clerk to ask OCC whether this could be extended to Ginge.	Clerk
111/24	DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT A written report had been circulated.	
112/24	COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT No report.	
113/24	PLAYING FIELD a) Playground Inspection. (Cllr Evans for October/ Cllr Pill for November). To be completed. b) Agility Trail. The order had been placed and a meeting scheduled for w/c 11 th November regarding installation.	ME
114/24	PLANNING MATTERS a) Proposal for development at Ardington. There was nothing to report.	

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	<p>b) New applications. None.</p> <p>c) Response to Joint Local Plan. The consultation was to close on 12th November. No comments.</p>	
	FINANCIAL MATTERS	
115/24	Ratification of October payments. The payments totalling £461.40 were ratified. Proposed Cllr Axel-Berg, Seconded Cllr Lloyd. RESOLVED.	
116/24	Approval of November Payments The payments totalling £429.07 were approved. Proposed Cllr Axel-Berg. Seconded Cllr Lloyd. RESOLVED.	
117/24	NJC Pay award The new pay scales were noted.	
118/24	Budget and Precept for 2025/26 The precept was to remain the same as this year, £10,820. The budget was approved. Proposed Cllr Lloyd, Seconded Cllr Pill. RESOLVED.	
119/24	Request for grant from South & Vale Citizen's Advice A grant of £100 was awarded. Proposed Cllr Axel-Berg, Seconded Cllr Lloyd. RESOLVED.	
120/24	MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE a) Consultation on Wantage Neighbourhood Plan – closes 21 st November. The Parish Council had no comment.	
121/24	NEWSLETTER ITEMS It was noted that all the items sent last month had not been included in the Newsletter. The editor to be asked to inform people where they could find the Parish Council minutes.	Clerk
122/24	AOB (for information only) a) Playing Field & Defibrillator inspections: Cllr Axel-Berg – December. Cllr Clayton – January b) Clerk to ask Cllr James for a route plan for the Southern Water connection. c) Grass cutting. Clerk to ask David Rance if he would be prepared to cut the verges in the village.	Clerk Clerk
123/24	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 16 th January 2025 in the Village Hall. Cllr Lloyd gave her apologies.	

The meeting closed at 20.25

Signed

Dated