



Whiteparish Parish Council

MINUTES of the Meeting of Whiteparish Parish Council held on Tuesday 15th October 2024 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Centre, Whiteparish.

Present: Cllrs Hayday (Presiding Chairman), Agate, Bishop, Camley, Harris (co-opted), McFarland and Pavey.

In attendance: Maria Pennington (Parish Clerk), Wiltshire Cllr Richard Britton and 5 members of the public.

Public participation

A member of the public spoke in objection to planning application 24/01043FULL, Jewsons, Common Road.

A member of the public spoke in support of planning application PL/2024/08270 Tipplefield Farm, Brickworth Road.

Members of the public raised concerns over planning breaches at Tricky's Paddock.

Members of the public raised concerns of anti-social behaviour at Tricky's Paddock.

A member of the public raised further concerns regarding the blocked gullies along the A27, Brickworth Road.

The Clerk read a summary from PC Kelvin Ramsey including notification that the Mobile Police Station will be in Whiteparish on Wednesday 20th November in the Memorial Centre car park between 3.30pm and 5pm. The lack of ongoing police attendance at Parish Council meetings was discussed and it was noted to ask for police representation at future meetings.

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

235/24 Prior to the meeting apologies were received from Cllr King due to ill health and Cllrs Palmer, Francis and Gould due to prior commitments. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to accept the apologies. PC Kelvin Ramsey had also sent his apologies.

To receive any Declarations of Interest, and to decide upon any requests for Dispensations relating to matters on this agenda.

236/24 There were no declarations.

Exclusion of the press and public. To agree any items to be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960.

237/24 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to discuss items 14, 15, 16 and 17 'staffing matters' following the exclusion of the press and public.

To receive written applications for the office of parish councillor and co-opt candidate to fill the vacancy.

238/24 One name was proposed, Mr Philip Harris. A written application from Mr Harris for the councillor vacancy had been circulated prior to the meeting. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to co-opt Mr Harris as a member of the Parish Council. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Councillor was signed by Mr Harris and witnessed by the Clerk.

239/24 Cllr Harris declared a personal and pecuniary interest in agenda item 7c PL/2024/08270 Tipplefield Farm and he will take no part in the debate, temporarily leaving the room as the application is for himself and his family.

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To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10th September 2024.

240/24 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 10th September 2024 and they were signed by the Chairman.

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Parish Council Staffing Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 10th September 2024.

241/24 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Staffing Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 10th September 2024 and they were signed by the Staffing Committee Chair.

To consider and agree a response to planning applications received:

242/24 24/01043FULL New Forest National Park application. Jewsons, Common Road, Whiteparish SP5 2QW. Change of use of land and buildings from builders' merchant (sui generis) to light industrial (Use Class E[g]{iii}), and storage & distribution (Use Class B8) including open storage use. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to recommend refusal regarding issues with drainage caused by ignoring previous planning rules. If the Planning Officer is minded to approve the application the drainage problems must be resolved along with no building on part of the site which is common land, known as Holmere Common CL6

243/24 PL/2024/08365 Lains Hop Gardens, Whiteparish, SP5 2SS

Replacement single garage. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to recommend that if the Planning Officer is minded to approve this application there should be a condition that any established trees damaged, or at risk subsequently due to the construction of the garage or the driveway be replaced by similar trees.

Cllr Harris left the meeting

244/24 PL/2024/08270 Tipplefield Farm, Brickworth Road, Whiteparish, SP5 2QG

Change of use of land from agricultural for the construction of a dwelling to accommodate a forestry worker and family. Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to make no comment to this application.

Cllr Harris was called back to the meeting,

Planning and enforcement update.

245/24 The Clerk had circulated the update prior to the meeting and there were no queries.

Finance update.

246/24 The Clerk had no updates to report.

To approve accounts for payment and to record the bank balances.

247/24 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to authorise payments totalling £3,194.51

Unity Trust Bank Current Account 06.10.24 £22,458.37

Unity Trust Bank Savings Account 06.10.24 £78,166.56

Cambridge & Counties 1 Year Bond £20,000.00 maturity date 04.06.25

Cambridge & Counties 2 Year Bond £31,271.51 maturity date 19.06.26

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To note the half year budget review.

248/24 Whiteparish Parish Council noted the half year budget review.

To note the half year bank reconciliation.

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To consider maintenance of the bus shelter.

250/24, 228/24 The Clerk reported that the vegetation has been cleared from over the bus shelter. Cllr Harris volunteered to inspect the bus shelter and report back.

To approve the relocation of a Wiltshire Council public bin.

251/24 The Clerk advised that Wiltshire Council, despite wishing to consult with the Parish Council, .have already relocated the bin from the Memorial Centre car park to the public highway on Common Road. The Parish Council had no objections to raise.

To consider the Emergency Contact hubs scheme.

252/24 Further to the correspondence from Camella Town & Chris Manuel of Wiltshire & Swindon Prepared (LRF) Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to not join the Emergency Contact hubs scheme.

To consider the response to the Wiltshire Independent Remuneration Panel Allowances Survey - City, Town and Parish Councils.

253/24 Responses were agreed for the WIRPAS.and for the Clerk to submit them.

To consider the response to the Wiltshire Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure project survey.

254/24 Responses were agreed for the WLEVIPS and for the Clerk to submit them.

Rights of Way and Common Land update.

255/24 There were no updates.

Highway's update.

256/24 The Clerk advised that the Parish Steward next visit is on 16th October.

257/24, 143/24, 101/24 The Clerk advised she has chased Wiltshire Council Highways regarding the replacement street name plate for The Green.

258/24, 231/24 Queries were raised regarding the resurfacing of the A27. It appears cracks were filled in and eventually the cats' eyes were reinstated, but resurfacing did not happen. Clerk to ask Wiltshire Council Highways for an update.

259/24 Reports from representatives for information purposes only:

Memorial Trust: Cllr Bishop updated on the Whiteparish Memorial Trust. The Winter ball is on the 7th December 2024.

New Forest National Park: There was no report.

Area Board: The next meeting is on 7th November 2024 at Alderbury Village Hall.

Whiteparish Education Foundation: There was no update.

Neighbourhood Tasking Group: Cllr Bishop advised there is no update.

Correspondence/communications update

260/24 The Clerk had circulated the update prior to the meeting. Cllrs Agate and Harris hope to attend the Asian Hornets update being arranged by Laverstock Parish Council.

Exclusion of the press and public.

Confidential items.

To review and approve the Staffing Committee Terms of Reference.

261/24 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Staffing Committee Terms of Reference with no amendments.

To review and approve the Clerks job description.

262/24 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Clerks job description with no amendments.

To review and approve the Clerks Contract of Employment.

263/24 Whiteparish Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the revised Clerk’s Contract of Employment.

To approve the implementation of the joint council pay increase for 2024/2025.

264/24 This item was deferred as the increase has not been agreed yet.

The next scheduled Parish Council meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 19th November 2024 at 7.30pm in Whiteparish Memorial Centre.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.55pm.

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