**Date of Meeting: Tuesday 8th January 2024 at 7pm**

**Location: held in St Peters Meeting Room at The Church**

**Present:**

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| Councillors | Clerk | TVBC + County Councillors | Others |
| Will Walker (Chairman)  Ian Platt  Claire Henderson  Alan Willens  Robin Welland  H Kwiatkowski  R Struthers | Eveline Attwood | Maureen Flood  David Drew | 2 |

**24001 Chairmans remarks**

**24002 Apologies for Absence –** Cllr Hasselmann & Cllr Cross *(Post meeting)*

**24003 Public Participation – The following comments were made by Parishioners.**

* A concern was raised that storm drains opposite Deep Ford Cottages were not being maintained by Highways and they were full of silt. Highways have been notified and this is an ongoing problem.
* Sewage is surfacing in Parishioners Garden, and residents have tried to get Southern Water to tackle problem for last 15 years. Another ongoing problem.
* It was suggested that slow down signs were needed in this area as cars drive too fast for road conditions.
* Cllr Drew suggested that future maintenance was logged with HCC in the summer to get ahead of future problems.
* Cllr Willens declared an interest and stated springs had appeared in the road along Village Street as the water table had risen and there was nowhere for the water to disperse too.
* Cllr Drew will meet with Cllr Willens for a site visit along Village Street.

**24004 Declarations of Interest –** None

**24005 Co-option of New Councillor – Resolved:** Roy Struthers was co-opted to become a Parish Councillor. A declaration of acceptance and a Register of Interest Form were both completed.

# 24006 To Approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting - Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 7th of November 2023 have been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. The Chair asked if all members agreed with the minutes, and all agreed they could be signed.

# Resolved: That the minutes of the Council Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 7th of November 2023 can be confirmed and signed as a true record of the meeting.

**24007 Borough Councillors report -** Councillor Floods reported on the following. See appendix A.

# The following information was shared with Parish Councillors during the meeting.

Cllr Flood advised that the Local Plan 2040 is listed on TVBC agenda on the 17th.

January for endorsement.

Cllr Flood happy to pass on areas that require leaves sweeping up. Cllr Kwiatkowski reported he had collected some leaves.

**24008 County Councillor Drew report** – Cllr Drew report is in Appendix B which has been circulated.

# 24009 Clerks report (This was circulated prior to the meeting)

Clerk met with TVBC to discuss use of section 106 contributions. These can only be used to provide new items such as benches, new playpark items (not replace existing) and it must be available to benefit all Parishioners. Three quotes are required so retrospective applications not possible.

Clock – Still awaiting a service date that suits both occupant of property and service company visiting this area.

SMART meter to be fitted in Pavilion in February – 03450720037 requirement now for businesses.

Gate licences have been posted out on the 2nd of January.

Dog Bins – Huge increase in dog bags been used. All bins regularly replenished between meetings.

Allotment holder given notice has acknowledge receipt of letter and given advice about Andover town council allotment application process.

One Two tree invoice paid for tree removal for EMG.

Next Cllr training date is 26th March in Winchester for Cllr Welland & New Councillor (Fully booked).

Green bin chased again for emptying before Xmas.

Estate management raffle money banked.

Slight delay in Newsletter printing due to busy time of year – all distributed to Cllrs to deliver to residents.

**24010 Planning**

* One new plan for Clatford Arms has arrived and will be discussed at the next planning meeting will be on Monday 29th January at 7.30pm
* Land at Barrow Hill – The developer will open a website link for Parishioners to comment between 12th -21st January 2024. This has been circulated via e mails, social media, the website and advertised on the noticeboards.

**Previous applications**

Report of previous applications as at 3/01/24

23/02700/FULLN Green Meadows – permission granted.

23/02105/CMAN Sludge Facility Cowdown – Awaiting decision.

22/03267/FULLN Anaerobic digestion facility – awaiting decision.

23/01672/FULLN 24 The Crescent Awaiting decision.

23/02986/FULLN 2 Manor Farm Cottages Church Lane.  Awaiting decision

23/02974/CPLN Village Club Goodworth Clatford. Awaiting Decision

23/03004/FULLN – Oakcutts Stockbridge Road Red Rice RoadAwaiting decision.

**24011.1 Finance** Toapprove the Statement of Accounts 1st October until 31st December 2023. The Clerk had circulated a Financial Statements pack to all members prior to the meeting*.*

**Resolved: That the financial statements between 1st October 2023 until 31st December 2023 be approved and signed by the Chairman.**

**24011. 2 Payments for approval November & December 2023**

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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 02/11/2023 | Clatford Shop Assoc | £436.66 | | 04/11/2023 | JRB Enterprises | £252.18 | | 15/11/2023 | H Kwiatkowski - Repair 2nd Post | £10.00 | | 15/11/2023 | GC Village Club- Hall Hire | £46.75 | | 21/11/2023 | Bank Charges- HSBC | £11.50 | | 22/11/2023 | WQ Walker Refund engrave, milk & biscuits | £24.85 | | 22/11/2023 | WQ Walker Refund gate post repairs | £214.90 | | 30/11/2023 | E Attwood - HMRC | £113.60 | | 30/11/2023 | Bulpitt Print | £158.00 | | 30/11/2023 | E Attwood - Salary | £959.33 | | **TOTALS** | **NOVEMBER** | **£2,227.77** | | 04/12/2023 | Clatford Shop Assoc | £436.66 | | 04/12/2023 | GC Club | £12.00 | | 04/12/2023 | One two tree | £1,260.00 | | 11/12/2023 | Refund M Goddard Protiler tools | £28.63 | | 11/12/2023 | Asda - Stationary | £41.15 | | 19/12/2023 | Business Stream | £27.80 | | 21/12/2023 | Bank Charges- HSBC | £10.00 | | 21/12/2023 | SSE Pavilion | £69.70 | | 29/12/2023 | E Attwood | £660.33 | | 29/12/2023 | E Attwood -HMRC | £35.60 | | 29/12/2023 | HMRC Employers National Insurance | £37.77 | | **TOTALS** | **DECEMBER** | **£2,619.64** | |
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**Payments for approval December 2023**



**Resolved: Payments for November and December 2023 were approved.**

**24011.3 Review of current budget -** No comments were made; PC remains on budget.

**24011.4 Review and approval of budget and confirmation of precept. Cllr Platt explained the budget.** Cllrs approved the budget and confirmed the precept.

**Resolved:** Cllrs approved the budget, confirmed the precept of £31486. Councillors requested the Clerk to arrange for N Shorter to attend March’s meeting with the Post Office and shops account figures.

**24011.5 Grass cutting Contract 24/25**

**Resolved:** Cllrs will approved the grass cutting contract £1016.10plus VAT

**24011.6 Dog Bin emptying Contract 24/25**

**Resolved:** Cllrs will approved the bin emptying contract £473.30 plus VAT

**24011.7 Grass cutting Contract 24/25**

**Resolved:** Cllrs will approved the play park inspection of £230.39

**Environment**

**24012.1 Footpaths & Highways –** Footpath No 4 will need some more bark chippings next winter.

**24012.2 Sheep wash-** Cllr Kwiatkowski reported that he was waiting to remove the bins at the Sheep Wash and advised that the Village Club will store the bins. The condition of the riverbank was discussed due to recent weather conditions. The gate latch needs cutting off the post. Councillors were reminded that they needed to retain receipts to be reimbursed for materials.

**24012.3 The Park & Estate Management Group –** Cllr Walker reported the following:

* The new bench has been installed by volunteers at the river.
* £1076 was raised in the Christmas Raffle.

**24012.4 Emergency Resilience Plan –** Cllr Henderson was waiting for the SSE lady to do a presentation.

**24012.5 Playground repairs –** It was reported that the new posts were now in place and thanks was expressed to the volunteers.

**24012.6 Allotments-** Nothing to report.

**24012.7 Recreation Ground & Pavilion -** The following was reported.

* Cupboard with sink in Pavilion is still wet. This will be revisited in the spring.

**24012.8 Completion of monthly H&S Inspections-**

* Sheep wash Verbal report
* The Park – *Completed Post meeting.*
* Riverside Rest *Completed post meeting.*
* Play Park – Paperwork completed – no issues.
* Allotments – Paperwork completed no issues.

**24013.1 Welcoming New residents to Village -** Cllrs were provided with advice from both the Clerk & HALC that there is no statutory power to spend money on individuals.

**24014 Correspondence – The following correspondence has been received and discussed under allotments.**

* Parishioner concerned about the whereabouts of the finger post with Lower Clatford written on it.

It was reported this is the property of Stonegate and is currently in storage.

* A letter from SSEN contractor stating they will be carrying out some work on the allotments trimming back Ivy and pruning trees around the powerlines as part of the statutory safety clearance.
* Cllr Henderson will investigate funding for recycling and greener villages.

**24015 Date of next meetings**

* Date of Next Parish Council meeting Tuesday 5th March 2023 held in Goodworth Clatford Village Club.
* The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Friday 17th May in Goodworth Clatford Village Club. - It was suggested that each Councillor will bring 3 ideas to the next meeting to stimulate and encourage a diverse community to attend the meeting.

**Appendix A Borough Councillor Hasselmann and Floods Report:**

**Free Start Your Own Business Guide for Test Valley Businesses**.

To complement the free Test Valley business support service, Test Valley Borough Council (TVBC)

has partnered with the company ‘Start Your Own Business’ (SYOB) to provide a new Start Your Own

Business in Test Valley guide. The guide leads potential business owners through a comprehensive

range of issues from pre-start up planning and raising funds, to tax and accountancy matters,

marketing, employing staff and growing the business. A local directory, and free resource templates,

are included to help new business owners to start off on the right foot. The guide can be downloaded

free of charge from Small business support service | Test Valley Borough Council New businesses

can also take advantage of the TVBC Business Incentive Grants of £750 that are available for new

business start-ups. Grants must be approved before the business has started trading and will be paid

after the business has been trading for six months. Find out more Business Incentive Grant | Test

Valley Borough Council.

**Rural England Prosperity Fund**

Test Valley Borough Council (TVBC) has been awarded just over £500,000 of Rural England

Prosperity Fund (REPF) money to support its rural communities and businesses. Capital grants for

Community groups of between £3,000 and £20,000 will be available to projects that support new and

improved community facilities, local art and heritage, rural green space, and/or essential community

services for local people. Capital grants for business of between £5,000 and £25,000 will be available

to new and existing rural businesses, to develop new products, services and equipment that will be of

wider benefit to the local economy. This could include farms looking to diversify or businesses

needing new equipment to develop. For more information please visit:

https://testvalley.gov.uk/BusinessREPF for Business Grants or

https://testvalley.gov.uk/CommunityREPF for Community Grant

**Thermal imaging and home energy training session**

20 January 2024 Dragonfly Power and Community Energy South are hosting a training session for

individuals and community groups to understand thermal imaging surveys and how they can be used

to make buildings more energy efficient. Learn about the thermal inefficiencies of homes, how to use

the camera, and how to interpret the images it creates. The event is on Saturday 20 January between

10am and 1pm at King’s Somborne Village Hall. If you would like to attend, please register for a ticket

at: Thermal imaging and home energy training Tickets, Sat 20 Jan 2024 at 10:00 | Eventbrite This

training forms part of the Test Valley Community Energy programme, which is supported by Test

Valley Borough Council and funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

**Reporting rural business crime**

The Hampshire Rural Crime Partnership are inviting those with business connections to the rural and

wildlife environment to register for DISC, a platform for reporting rural and wildlife crime incidents

quickly. After signing up, you will receive up to date news and alerts on incidents and crimes in the

area and have a quick and direct way to report any crime that you experience. Please email

discreports@hampshire.police.uk asking for a link to the registration form.

**Appendix B Cllr Drew**

**Household DIY waste charges at Hampshire HWRCs to end from 1 January.**

From 1 January 2024, residents using Hampshire County Council Household Waste Recycling Centres

(HWRCs) will no longer be charged for disposing their DIY waste - in line with the Government policy.

changes.

Hampshire residents must have an appointment to visit one of the County Council’s HWRCs. From 1

January 2024, customers will be asked to confirm if they are depositing household DIY when making.

their online booking.

Cement-bonded asbestos is a hazardous material that requires a bespoke environmental permit and

therefore, is only accepted at five sites – Andover, Basingstoke, Efford, Netley and Portsmouth. <https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20231112HWRCDIYcharges>

**Good progress towards tackling Climate Change**

Hampshire residents and communities are making a significant difference in the drive to tackle climate.

change, by taking part in Hampshire County Council backed community initiatives and making changes.

in their own homes and lifestyle choices.

Over the past two years, through the Solar Together scheme, 2,100 households have purchased.

competitively priced solar panels, resulting in the installation of 7,400kw of rooftop solar power, which.

has the capacity to save an estimated 46,000 tonnes of carbon emissions.

A further example of residents’ activity, set out in the Annual Report, is the way in which communities.

across the county are being inspired and supported by The Greening Campaign to actively take carbon-

saving actions in their own homes, such as reducing energy use and making space for nature.

The County Council’s own work to tackle climate change is focused on key areas like reducing emissions.

from transport, making buildings and homes more energy efficient, generating local renewable energy.

and protecting and enhancing our natural environment.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20231212ClimateChgProgress2023>

**Hampshire’s ongoing commitment to Ukraine**

Hampshire County Council has today confirmed that payments to local residents hosting Ukrainian.

nationals as part of the Government’s Homes for Ukraine scheme will continue for a third year, from 1.

April 2024 – 31 March 2025

More than 1,800 Ukrainian individuals and families are currently residing in Hampshire as part of the

national Homes for Ukraine scheme.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20231212HomesforUkrainehostpayments>.

**The results are in! Young people decide the new faces of Hampshire Youth Parliament for 2024-26**

The votes have been counted and verified, and Hampshire Youth Parliament now has seven new.

Members, and Deputies, for the next two years. In total, more than 5,000 11–18-year-olds in Hampshire

came forward to vote for their local representatives in the UK Youth Parliament

Central Hampshire (Eastleigh, Romsey and Winchester)

Member of Youth Parliament - Aryaveer Baljee

Deputy Member of Youth Parliament – Joshua Mulford

Northwest Hampshire (Andover, Whitchurch, Tadley and Basingstoke)

Member of Youth Parliament - Gabriel Llewellyn-Hyde

Deputy Member of Youth Parliament – Oscar-Bertie Vallance

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20231215HampshireYouthParliament>

**Ofsted inspection brings ‘Good’ news for learners with Hampshire County Council**

Learners and apprentices develop the ‘skills to live successfully’ thanks to teaching and training.

programmes provided by Hampshire County Council. This is one of many positive findings following a

recent Ofsted inspection of the County Council’s ‘Hampshire Achieves’ service, which has been rated.

‘Good’ overall and in all aspects of its service, including courses to support families and for learners with

special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20231218HampshireAchieves>

**Clampdown continues on sale of underage vapes by Hampshire Trading Standards**

A Hampshire County Council Trading Standards operation has found two shops in the Aldershot and

Havant area selling vapes illegally to underage buyers.

Trading Standards continue to regularly visit businesses to ensure that retailers are complying with the

law and that the correct measures are in place to prevent underage sales of vapes and other age.

restricted products. If a business is found to be selling to people under the legal age, they will be.

investigated which could lead to a criminal prosecution.

A recent survey across secondary schools and colleges in Hampshire shows a large increase in the

percentage of young people both experimenting with and using vapes. The survey shows that.

experimentation with vapes increases from 4% in year 7 to 53% in year 13. Similarly, vape use increases.

from 7% in year 10, to 18% in year 13.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/21122023VapetestpurchasesPR>