



# LANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the LANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL  
Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024 Start time 7.00pm  
Blue Room, Landford Village Hall

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**Councillors present** - Mary Davies **MD** (Chair), Rob Bird **RB** (Vice Chair), Ken Parker **KP**, John Bonney **JB**, Glen Keirl **GK**, Nick Hall **NH** and Adam Hill **AH**.

**Also in attendance:** Cllr Zoe Clewer (WC) and Estelle Sherry (Parish Clerk).

**Public Question Time:** There were no public questions or comments.

## **MINUTES**

### **080/24 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Geoff Hewson and Damien Swancott.

### **081/24 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest received.

### **082/24 Minutes**

The Minutes of the Parish Council's Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> August were approved and signed by the Chair.

### **083/24 PC Ramsey Report**

PC Ramsey (Landford Area) was unable to attend but provided a report which was presented by MD, who informed the meeting that over the past 30 days, there had been 4 incidents. These were:

- On 16.08.24, a theft from an unattended van on the A36; enquiries are ongoing.
- On 30.08.24, an attempted break in of a garage; enquiries are ongoing.
- On 03.09.24, the shooting of a sheep from the roadside; anyone with information should make contact quoting crime number 54240104012.
- On 04.09.24, the side of a van on Lyndhurst Road was drilled with the view to stealing tools from within. The offenders were driving a Transit style van.

## 084/24 Report from Councillor Zoe Clewer (Wiltshire Council / NFNPA member)

Cllr Clewer informed the meeting of:

- Attendance of PCC Philip Wilkinson at the Area Board on 05.09.24, who gave an update on the current situation and progress regarding rural crime, shoplifting and violence against shop assistants.
- Rural crime reporting which can be done on line (<https://crowd.in/rR2cRc>), or by calling 101. To report something of concern which has been seen or heard, this too can be done on line (<https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/soh/seen-or-heard/>).
- Agister / verderer road awareness cards and leaflets which can be obtained by emailing [newforestroadscampaign@gmail.com](mailto:newforestroadscampaign@gmail.com).
- Southern Wiltshire Area Youth Panel on line at 7pm on 18.09.24.
- Local Cycle and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) consultation, which can be found here: [New Forest LCWIP \(arcgis.com\)](https://www.arcgis.com), and which closes on 03.11.24.

MD commented that at a recent meeting of the Association of Local Councils, some disparity in crime data shared across the border between Wiltshire Police and Hampshire and IOW Police was raised. It was noted that PC Ramsey and PC Evans had expressed to ZC that information was well shared. Any concerns on cross-border crime information sharing can be raised with the PCC.

## 085/24 Planning

Councillors considered the following NFNPA planning applications:

### 24/00831FULL – 81 Beech Grange, Landford, Salisbury, SP5 2AN

Application for an extension; reclad rear dormer and associated landscaping.

The Council's responses are detailed in the Planning Schedule Recommendations document published on the council's website.

## 086/24 Clerk / RFO Reports

- General Update** - The Clerk updated Councillors on:
  - Actions undertaken following the August meeting, including acquiring a "do not litter sign" for NML Recreation Ground (now in place), publication of the new Financial Regulations, letters to residents regarding hedgerows encroaching onto pavements, and a holly tree causing damage to a bus shelter.
  - Quotations received in respect of repair works to the doorway to the men's public convenience at Landford Recreation Ground and the bus shelter. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quotations.
  - Progress with the Land Registry registrations for the NML Reading Room and Recreation Ground, which were transferred from Redlynch Parish Council to the Parish Council on 1 April 2017, following the 2016 Community Governance Review.
- Receipts and Payments Report** - The Clerk presented the Report for the period 13 August to 10 September 2024. It was **RESOLVED** to approve payments for authorisation totalling £2,922.73. Payments authorised under separate cover totalling

£2,719.27, corporate card expenditure totalling £15.78 and income received of £634.00 were noted.

## **087/24 Councillor Reports – For Discussion and Decision**

- i) **Quarterly Planning Meeting** - RB provided a summary of the meeting, and the following were discussed:
  - Gov.uk domain - Considerations to be deferred. It was **RESOLVED** that a meeting be set up for discussion of this topic.
  - Nomansland Recreation Ground - Historical and legal arrangements have been explored and it is noted that the pavilion, skate park and tennis courts are owned by a third party, who lease the land owned by the Parish Council, on which they are sited.
  - Hedge Cutting - The Council's main contractor has confirmed he will be continuing with Parish works for the next 3 years.
  - 2025/26 Budget – This is being worked on by the Clerk/RFO and a first draft will be presented at the October meeting.
  
- ii) **Lyndhurst Road Sign HIRF** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve the parish contribution and submit the HIRF to LHFIFG.
  
- iii) **Hamptworth Highways** – The design additions to lining and signing by the WC Senior Engineer for improving safety were discussed. Residents' comments and issues regarding speeding, pedestrian passage and the merits of the proposals were considered. It was **RESOLVED** by majority to approve all 5 of the proposals submitted, the funding of the relevant parish contribution, and for the Clerk to confirm the resolution with the Senior Engineer and LHFIFG.
  
- iv) **Nomansland Reading Room** – RB advised that the thermal blinds for the windows had been ordered, and that following receipt of the quarter 2 budget monitoring report, a proposal would be brought to the October meeting of the Council regarding the acquisition of a carpet.
  
- v) **The Mission Hall Defibrillator** – MD proposed a financial contribution be made to The Mission Hall for their support and assistance in the installation of the defibrillator at the Hall. It was **RESOLVED** by majority to approve a contribution of £50 be made to the Mission Hall.
  
- vi) **Landford Bog and Beech Grange** – AH provided a report on the findings of the WC Land Drainage Engineer, and his recommendation that a ditch and bund be constructed along the border between Beech Grange and Landford Bog. As the land affected is all privately owned, it was **RESOLVED** that the Council would liaise with WC on any communication to be sent out to residents.

AH additionally provided a summary of drainage issues, as discussed with the WC Land Drainage Engineer, at Lyndhurst Road and the northern side of Beech Grange.

- vii) **Grass Cutting and Re-wilding at Brookside** – KP provided an update on the outcomes of the consultation, which had resulted in one response in favour and one against the proposal to reduce or cease grass cutting. It was noted that any change in grass cutting regime would require no objections to have been received. It was **RESOLVED** to contact WC Street Scene to clarify the Council's options.

#### **088/24 Councillor Reports – For Information and Discussion**

- i) **Chair's Report** – MD reported to the Council:
- Meetings with parishioners and attendance at events over the previous weeks.
  - Attendance at the NFNPPA Planning Committee Meeting on 20.08.24.
  - Meeting with WC Land Drainage Engineer (Highways Asset Management and Commissioning), Cllr Hill and residents of the Parish on 22.08.24.
  - Family funeral in Scotland during the week of 02.09.24 and therefore absence from the following:
    - New Forest Rotary Club Community Event on 02.09.24.
    - LPC Affordable Housing Working Group on 03.09.24, chaired by Cllr Hall.
    - LPC Quarterly Planning Meeting on 04.09.24, chaired by Cllr Bird.
    - NFNPA Training Event on 05.09.24.
  - Meeting with Cllr Parker and Cllr Keirl to discuss planning applications on 09.09.24.
  - Thanks to all Councillors and the Clerk for their support this month.
- ii) **Representatives on Outside Bodies** – RB provided an update following attendance at the New Forest Consultative Panel on 05.09.24. Topics discussed included the Exxon Mobil CO2 Pipeline Consultation, which is consulting on three potential pipeline routes, and Hampshire CC's New Forest Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP), which is focussing on linking utility cycling routes.
- iii) **Affordable Housing Working Group** – MD advised the meeting that the AHWG are currently discussing funding models, but that further key points for debate will include deciding on the entity, whether this should be charitable, whether a community land trust, and potential key stakeholders. MD restated the terms of reference of the AHWG, its delegated authority and what formal approvals need to be sought. It was noted that the change in government will be key to debate and decisions on any National Planning Policies and Funding Model routes going forward. An open event is being considered for later this year.
- iv) **PCC Community Action Fund Grant** – MD advised of the fund's purposes, availability, and relevant activities. It was noted to share this information with the LPCP, Landford Community Cycling Group and other interested parties. ZC advised Councillors to contact WC's Strategic Engagement & Partnerships Manager regarding available grants.

### **Matters Noted for October Meeting:**

- Budget Monitoring Report for Quarter 2
- Bank Reconciliation as at 30.09.24
- 1<sup>st</sup> Draft of 2025/26 Budget
- AHWG – PC or Community Led Housing Project

The date of the next meeting of **Landford Parish Council** will be on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2024** at **7.00 pm** in **Nomansland Reading Room**.

There being no further business, MD closed the meeting at 9.27 pm.

**DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.**

### **ADDENDUM 1 – My Wilts App Links**

Report litter, fly-tipping, pot holes, missed bin collections, street lighting and much more on:

- WC website [Wiltshire Council Booking and Reporting](#) or

- 0300 456 0105 or

- MyWilts App; no need to log in, unless you want email updates on your reports.

