



# Landford Parish Council

**Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on  
19 May 2021 at 7:15pm**

***Notwithstanding the court ruling that Local Council meetings may not be held virtually after 06 May, as government lockdown restrictions remain in place until 21 June 2021 and physical meetings will present both a health risk (given the current pandemic) and significant additional cost in securing a suitable venue which allows social distancing and other safety measures, this meeting took place by video conference.***

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**Councillors present:** Nik Bishop (NB), Ken Parker (KP), John Bonney (JB), Damien Swancott (DS), Rachael Stanton (RS), Cllr Glen Keirl, Cllr Rob Bird, and Cllr Geoff Hewson

**Plus:** Melanie Camilleri (MC) – Clerk/RFO and Cllr Zoe Clewer (Wiltshire Council)

- 80/21**            **Councillor Acceptance of Office after elections 06 May:** the newly elected Councillors submitted their signed Declarations and took office.
- 81/21**            **Election of the Chair for 2021/22:** Cllr Glen Keirl proposed Cllr Nik Bishop. Cllr Rachael Stanton seconded the motion. It was resolved unanimously that Cllr. Nik Bishop be elected Chair of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year. Cllr. Nik Bishop accepted this role.
- 82/21**            **Election of the Vice-chair for 2021/22:** Cllr Glen Keirl proposed Cllr Ken Parker. Cllr Rachael Stanton seconded the motion. It was resolved unanimously that Cllr. Ken Parker be elected Vice-Chair of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year. Cllr. Ken Parker accepted this role.

**Cllr Zoe Clewer, the newly elected Wiltshire Council representative for Redlynch and Landford division addressed members of the council:**

Thank you for your warm welcome this evening. Before I go any further, I would like to put on record my thanks to Leo Randall who has represented Redlynch and Landford Division for over two decades. They are very big shoes to fill indeed, and I am grateful to him for taking the time to brief me at length over Zoom on upwards of 30 local issues.

I would also like to thank the voters of Redlynch and Landford for electing me earlier this month. I intend to serve the whole community and look forward to listening and learning, to getting a feel for what the community and Parish Council want to progress and liaising with Wiltshire Council and the New Forest authorities on your behalf.

Sometimes the answers I receive from officers will be pleasing to you and sometimes they may not be what you were hoping to hear. I will be honest and straight with you, and, if I am able, I will signpost residents to other sources of potential help and information.

Going forward, please contact me on [zoe.clewer@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:zoe.clewer@wiltshire.gov.uk) as my campaign email address on my election literature is now infrequently monitored.

Thank you and I look forward to working with you over the next four years.

- 83/21**            **Apologies for Absence:** None
- 84/21**            The **Minutes** of the Parish Council's Extraordinary General Meeting on **06 May 2021** were approved.
- 85/21**            **Declaration of General Powers of Competence**  
Landford Parish Council meets the criteria for eligibility set out in a statutory instrument (LA 2011 s8 brought into force by SI 965) known as the Parish Councils (General Power of Competence) (Prescribed Conditions) Order 2012 in April 2012. The General Power of Competence was declared as adopted for the current financial year.
- 86/21**            **Allocate Councillor areas of responsibility**
- Planning: KP, NB, GK
  - Highways/Parish Steward: GH
  - Maybush Copse: KP
  - NML Play Park: GK, JB, DS
  - Landford Rec Grd: GK, JB, DS
  - NML Play Park and Landford Rec Grd Safety Inspections: JB
  - NML Clubhouse (360) liaison: NB
  - NML Reading Room: DS, RS, RB, NB
  - Landford Village Hall rep: JB
  - WM: KP
  - Finance: KP, DS, RB
  - HR: RS, NB, DS
  - NPA NE Quadrant: KP
  - NFNPA Consultative Panel: KP, RB
  - SWAB: JB, KP
  - CATG: GH
  - NTG Rep: JB
  - Comms: DS (LPC FB), RS, NB
  - Defibs: NB
  - Speedwatch: KP
  - Salt bins: JB
  - HNS: GH
- 87/21**            **HR Committee Meeting 13 May**
- i) Cllrs Nik Bishop and Rachael Stanton presented their recommendations on person specification and salary point (NALC SCP pay scales) for the Landford Parish Council Clerk/RFO following their role evaluation to reflect the demands of the role have changed significantly. Resolved by a majority decision (seven votes in favour; one against), to award the Clerk/RFO pay point SCP29 with effect from 01 June 2021.
  - ii) The third member of the HR Committee will be Cllr Damien Swancott.
- 88/21**            **Next Parish Council Meeting**  
The next **Landford Parish Council** be held on **Wednesday 23 June 2021** at **7:15pm** in the **Blue Room Landford Village Hall**.

Being no further business, NB closed the meeting at 7:39pm.

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