

Britford Parish Council

Minutes for Meeting held 20th June 2024

Britford Parish Council members met on Thursday 20th June 2024 for an Extra Ordinary Parish Council meeting held at Britford Memorial & Community Hall.

Present: Derek Finnis (Chairman), Jane Ranaboldo, Enid Alston, Tim Bonallack, Nat Cole, Jon Gould, Martin Sturgeon

Also, present: Jay McGowan (Clerk), 23 members of the Public.

Start time: 7.30pm

Public session – see attached notes.

Agenda

24.02.01 Apologies for Absence. To receive and accept apologies for absence. None.

24.02.02 Vacancies in Council Office: None.

24.02.03 Declaration of Interest: Councillors to disclose their interests in matters to be discussed and to decide requests for dispensation. None.

24.02.04 To consider any urgent matters raised in the public session, and any other urgent matters or items from councillors. None.

24.02.05 To agree any items on the agenda that are to be dealt with following the exclusion of the press & public. None.

24.02.06 Minutes.

To approve and sign as a correct record Minutes of Annual Parish Council Meeting held 9th May 2024. **Resolved:** To be signed at the next meeting.

24.02.07 Clerk's Report/Items following on from previous meeting.

a. Longford School Parking. Still waiting for an update.

b. Parish Steward: The next visit will be 2nd July 2024. The clerk will submit the worksheet. August focus will be on noxious weed clearing.

c. Grass Verges. The verges have now been cut.

The Parish Council would like to thank Paul Bollen and the Highways Team for accommodating our request for the extra cut.

24.02.08 Flood Warden Report. Cllr Cole gave a brief update. The deadline for all Storm Henk Grant applications has now passed, all the applications from Britford have been submitted. If successful, the grants will be pooled to help with the community flood defence plan. We are waiting for further information from Wiltshire Council.

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24.02.09 Britford Flooding

a. To consider and approve the proposal for implementation of a community flood defence project commissioned by Britford Parish Council and proposed by James Dennis and High Acre Ltd subject to approval from statutory bodies.

i) Proposed; a public show of hands to proceed with the project being developed with further investigation. **Resolved:** Public vote - A majority show of hands voted to proceed and develop a community funded project.

ii) Proposed to consider and approve the community flood defence project by Britford Parish Council. **Resolved:** Cllrs voted unanimously to proceed with developing a flood defence plan.

b. To consider and approve a fund-raising scheme to pay for above works.

Resolved: It was agreed to put the current proposal out to tender for an estimated cost of works. A fund-raising scheme will be set up for donations towards the costs.

24.02.10 Finance.

a. To note bank accounts as of 20th June 2024.

Current: £6,961.72

Britford Bund: £2,001.00

Savings: £9,730.62 (£5,722.00 Britford Field Fund)

b. To consider and approve the preliminary quote of £1,500 plus VAT from C Onions for the Flood Risk Assessment. **Resolved:** Approved.

c. To approve the Schedule of Payments. **Resolved:** All payments approved. See *list below*.

24.02.11 Meetings.

a. OFWG Meeting: 26th June 2024, Warminster

b. Wiltshire Council Town & Clerk's Meeting: 28th June 2024, TEAMS

c. LHFIG Meeting: 6th August 2024, TBN

24.02.12 Correspondence Received.

a. Briefing Notes: 24/09 – 24/12

b. WALC Newsletter – May 2024

24.02.13 Items to be carried forward to the next meeting.

24.02.14 To note date of next meeting.

Wednesday 17th July 2024

24.02.15 To close the meeting.

With no further business to discuss the meeting was closed at 9.40pm

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Payments to be approved:

Date	Payee	Particulars	Amount
28.06.24	J McGowan	Clerk's Expenses	£302.50
Total			£302.50

Payments made since last meeting: 09.05.24 – 17.06.24

Date	Payee	Particulars	Amount
13.05.24	Pickwick Academy	Longford School Event	£100.00
13.05.24	WALC	Annual Membership	£184.02
13.05.24	Edenvale	Flood Advice (2)	£1,614.00
13.05.24	J McGowan	Projector reimbursement	£393.71
13.05.24	J McGowan	Screen reimbursement	£55.99
13.05.24	WALC	Clerk training`	£36.00
15.05.24	Hill Data	Microsoft 365 Fee	£10.32
22.05.24	J Gould	SID Fittings	£113.34
23.05.24	1&1 Ionos	Domain Name Fee	£3.60
31.05.24	Wiltshire Search & Rescue	Donation	£100.00
31.05.24	J McGowan	Clerk's Expenses	£302.50
31.05.24	Community First Ins	Annual PC Insurance	£167.68
17.06.24	Hill Data	Microsoft 365 fee	£10.32
14.06.24	ICO	Data Protection Fee	£35.00
Total			£3,126.48

Payments received since last meeting: 09.05.24 – 17.06.24

Date	From	Particulars	Amount
15.05.24	Odstock Parish Council	Microsoft 365 Fee	£51.60
15.05.24	Odstock Parish Council	Clerk training	£10.00
21.05.24	Coombe Bissett Parish Council	Clerk training	£10.00
10.06.24	Lloyds Bank plc	Interest	£7.62
13.06.24	Resident	Britford Bund Donation	£2,000
Total			£2,079.22