

## REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Hall on 13<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018 starting at 8:05pm  
and finishing at 9:44pm (circulated 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2018)

**PRESENT:** Cllrs John Halsall (Chairman from 8:10pm)  
John Merkel (JM; Chairman to 8:10pm & then Vice-Chairman)  
Franky Cookson (FC)  
Darrel Poulos (DP)  
Clerk: Paul Sermon

In attendance:  
Geraldine MacMillan (GM)  
Bill Merkel (JM's brother)  
Victor Moore (VM)  
Felicity Rutland (FR)

### **111/18: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were apologies from Chris Leeming and Bill Ronald.

### **112/18: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

### **113/18: MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

It was AGREED that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> Oct 2018 as a true record of that meeting.

### **114/18: MATTERS ARISING**

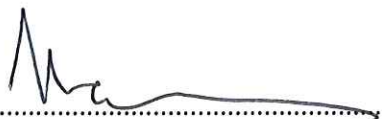
There was discussion about the value of internet maps in planning. JM wondered whether 182524 (Park Place Polo) and 182327 (Malmesbury Estate) would be considered separately or as one application. FC thought they had been considered as one in the Pegasus response on these applications (see Appendix to October 2018 RPC meeting). JH said they would go to the full planning committee. DP asked if the dates on which WBC Planning met on applications in Remenham could be included in minutes and reproduced in the Newsletter. This was AGREED (the WBC website. The Clerk subsequently reported that the WBC Planning Committee would meet on 12<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018 and 9<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019, with Agendas not appearing until shortly before the meetings. JM also wondered whether previous planning conditions could be highlighted when new applications were considered. This was AGREED. In response to a question about sports facilities in the Green Belt (VM), JH said that the landowner had reduced the number of dwellings in the Park Place estate. It was AGREED that JH would follow up on 6 Remenham Hill.

### **115/18: PLANNING**

RPC noted tree works proposed at The Reach, Remenham Lane. It was AGREED that an aerial record of the whole of Remenham parish would be useful. It was understood that this would cost about £1950.

### **116/18: LICENSING**

The Deputy Chairman asked if the WBC letter on the ChinaWhite licence application to the Remenham Farm Resident's Association could also be attached to the minutes or placed on the website in a redacted form. This was AGREED, subject to RFRA agreement.

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**117/18: WEBSITE**

FC gave details of the website recent use and said that the website was doing well. Victor Moore said he was impressed by the Remenham parish website.

**118/18: TRAFFIC, HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATH ISSUES**

DP wondered what progress there had been on footpaths on HRR land. JH indicated that he had spoken with them. VM expressed concern about barbed wire on fencing running alongside footpaths in Remenham. There was some discussion. It was noted that barbed wire in fencing adjoining highways (section 164 of the Highways Act 1980) and footpaths, might be best if it was on the landowner's side to prevent injury to animals and walkers slipping on wet soil, etc. JH spoke of changes to Remenham Lane parking bays. FC was unsure why changes to speed limits were so expensive. JH indicated that WBC administration and advertising was necessary.

**119/18: WOKINGHAM ISSUES**

JH described recent developments in the Wokingham Local Plan Update (LPU). FC asked about brownfield sites. JM noted that he had seen that other Parish Councils such as that at Shinfield were now preparing Neighbourhood Plans. DP thought we should find out if it has helped them and whether it would benefit Remenham. FR said she was worried about their value. JH gave the background to Neighbourhood Plans and suggested RPC might ask the views of Andy Meader (Pegasus). This was AGREED.

**120/18: FINANCIAL MATTERS**

The Clerk asked JH about whether there had been progress on further NatWest requested paperwork relating to Bill Ronald. JH said that he would look into the matter. The Clerk suggested that the Cash Book for RPC's current account be again placed on the website (as part of its transparency Code commitment); subject to details of presentation, this was AGREED (see Appendix). The Clerk suggested that RPC think about its budget and precept at the next meeting. JH said that the Wokingham Rate had yet to be set. It was AGREED that the matter would be discussed at the Dec meeting. Two cheques were signed:


000697	Pegasus advice	£720.00
000698	Clerk's expenses	£140.90

**121/18: DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

11<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018 at 8:00pm in the Parish Hall.

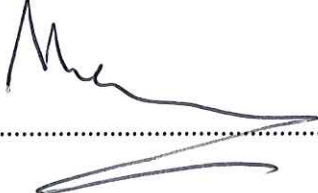
**ACTIONS:**

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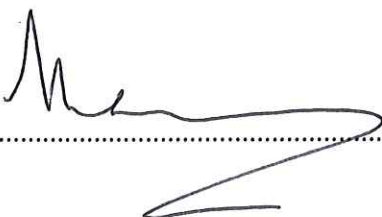
- follow up on 6 Remenham Hill*
- ask Andy Meader/Pegasus for their views on the value of Neighbourhood Plans for Remenham*
- look into latest NatWest paperwork on e-banking <sup>with</sup> and Bill Ronald* 

*The Clerk will*

- organise the purchase of an aerial record of the whole of Remenham parish*
- determine whether redacted WBC documents on conditions of planning and licence approval and WBC Planning meeting dates could be placed on the website*

Signed..........Chairman  
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*send off two cheques after Richard Fletcher counter-signs these  
place the Cash Book for RPC's current account on the website*

Signed..........Chairman  
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Appendix

Current Account Cash Book May-Nov 2018

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