

REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Mon 12th June 2023 starting at 6:00pm and finishing at 7:05pm (circulated 14th June 2023)

PRESENT Cllrs Bill Ronald (Chairman)
John Halsall (JH)
Polly Hogan (PH)
Nigel Williams (NW)
The Clerk: Paul Sermon (TC)

In attendance: Peter Grace (PG); Felicity Rutland (FR) & Pat Sly (PSI)

060/23: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were apologies from Franky Cookson (in Crete), John Merkel (Having foot surgery) and Darrel Poulos.

061/23: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

062/23: MINUTES OF THE MEETING

It was AGREED that BR be authorised to sign the minutes for the meeting on 15th May 2023 and the notes of the APM on the same day, both being a true record.

063/23: MATTERS ARISING & ACTION LIST

The actions taken by The Chairman and The Clerk were noted. BR had talked to those at the Flower Pot and had yet to talk to those at Holme Farm. It was AGREED JH and TC would bring matters at The Flower Pot to the attention of WBC Highways/Enforcement. On Holme Farm PH said she had noted significant movement of earthworks.

064/23: CIL PROJECTS

The Clerk updated the meeting on (i) completion of paving in front of the Parish Hall front wall & (ii) installation of new oak signs and renovation of existing ones. JH suggested that The Clerk be thanked for ensuring completion of this CIL work. This was AGREED and all thought the outcome had been very satisfactory. At the end of the meeting during which there had been a thunderstorm, all were able to see that the paving area had remained piddle-free. There was discussion about the RPC defibrillator and it was confirmed that another would be purchased with both being placed on the towpath between Hambleden Lock and Temple Island, where there was a natural layby/beach for fine rowing/sculling boats to pull in in an emergency. It was also AGREED that two new oak posts (and one sign) would be purchased and that TC/JH would complete final discussions with Copas on exact locations. It was AGREED that emergency and defibrillator information should go on the noticeboard, website and Newsletter. Finally there was discussion about a second Sierzega SR4 traffic or cycle monitor (mention by Ron Emerson at the May APM). One might be in Remenham Church lane and the other in Aston Lane. The Clerk was asked to look into the matter. Subsequently the Clerk found that the SR4 had been replaced by the SR7, but that the cycle and traffic counters/monitors could not be combined into one box.

065/23: WEBSITE

The Clerk reported that he had been told that day by GigaClear staff that their 'cabinets' would go live this month, with roll-out completed. TC agreed to provide NW with GigaClear contacts regarding Dairy Lane. The Clerk said that GigaClear had a Church/Parish Hall/Charity category of internet provision that might be an alternative to BT Business and he was seeking clarity on the exact costs, in the hope that one of these would be less expensive than the current BT Business model. TC AGREED to have alternatives for the next meeting.

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066/23: HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

TC AGREED to continue to chase Chris Easton/WBC Highways regarding the Westcotec power supply, the state of Aston Lane, potholes around Henley Bridge and clearing pathways between Middle Culham and the milestone/layby on the A4130. The Clerk said that there had been no enquiries about litter picking. Following a discussion it was AGREED that an 'advert' should appear the Henley Standard, The Henley Herald and the WhatsApp group. It was AGREED that the standing order to Steve Allender should be stopped at the end of the month. PSI raised that traffic caused she thought by traffic lights on the Henley side of the bridge. It was AGREED that PH/TC would interact with the Henley traffic group. JH thought that residents would have to become more active on the matter.

067/23: LICENSING AND EVENTS

TC AGREED to obtain the Rewind licence from JH/WBC Licensing and circulate this before the next meeting so that all new proposed traffic measures before this year's event.

068/23: FINANCIAL MATTERS

TC had circulated details of RPC account activity, which was approved. The meeting noted that Alison Jones had approved the Internal Audit paperwork (signing off on page 3 of the PKF-SBA 2022-2023 form),. The meeting then unanimously approved responses to questions 1-8 on page 4 of the PKF-SBA 2022-2023 form and asked TC and BR to sign this page off at the meeting. Finally, the meeting unanimously approved the accounting statement on page 5 of the PKF-SBA form for 2022-2023, noting the completion of CIL expenditure, with a drop in RPC reserves and a rise in fixed assets as a result. Again the meeting asked TC and BR to sign off this page. They asked for all documents to be sent to PKF and for the public be invited (one the website and the noticeboard) to look at all 2022-2023 documentation.

069/23: ANY OTHER MATTERS & DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

PG raised concerns about a practice polo pitch proposal. It was AGREED that the Clerk would investigate the matter with WBC Planning. The meeting noted that RPC would next meet on Mon 10th July at 6:00pm

ACTIONS:

BR will: discuss Planning and Highways matters with those involved Holme Farm

JH/TC will: ask Highways/Enforcement to look at The Flower Pot

purchase a second defibrillator and two oak posts and complete final discussions with Copas on exact locations

PH/FR/TC will:

seek Henley Standard, The Henley Herald and the WhatsApp group opportunities to widen the search for a paid litter picker

PH/TC will: discuss with the Henley Traffic Group traffic caused on White Hill by the traffic lights on the Henley side of the bridge.

TC will: get emergency and defibrillator information on the noticeboard, website and Newsletter

*enquire about a 2nd Sierzega bike and traffic counter
discover lower cost BT and Gigaclear WWW options for the Parish Hall*

*continue to chase Chris Easton/WBC Highways regarding the Westcotec power supply, Aston Lane, potholes around the Bridge
and clearing paths between Middle Culham and the milestone/layby*

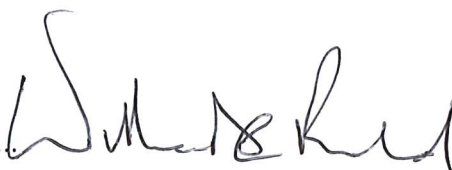
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*stop the SO to Steve Allender he end of the month.
seek the Rewind licence document from JH and WBC Licensing
send off audit documents
enquire about the practice polo pitch*

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'W. Mark' or similar, written over the 'Chairman' text.

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