

REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Mon 9th Oct 2023 starting at 6:00pm and finishing at 7:00pm (circulated 13th September 2023)

PRESENT Cllrs Bill Ronald (Chairman)
John Halsall (JH)
Polly Hogan (PH)
John Merkel (JM)
Nigel Williams (NW)
The Clerk: PH also took minutes of the meeting for TC to assemble at a later date.

In attendance:

Ed Hobart (EH; PCSO from Thames Valley Police)
Pat Sly
David Cook

092/23: WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The Chairman welcomed EH from Thames Valley Police. There were apologies from Franky Cookson. The Clerk had set up the meeting, but then apologised that he was unwell and waiting for a GP call and would be unable to attend the meeting; he said it was the first he had missed in 10 years. There were declarations of interest in one planning application by JM.

093/23: EH advice

The Chairman invited EH to address the meeting. The topics he covered included what residents should do if they were aware of any anti-social behaviour or likely drink/drug driving offences and how to get responses on 101 and 999 call lines. TC was asked to keep in contact with EH.

094/23: MINUTES OF THE MEETING

It was AGREED that BR be authorised to sign the minutes for the meeting on 11th Sept 2023 as a true record subject to a minor correction of one minute number.

095/23: MATTERS ARISING & ACTION LIST

The actions taken in Sept 2023 were noted.

096/23: PLANNING

Four planning matters were considered.

On Henley Bridge lighting (232443) RPC were broadly happy as long as there was no damage to the bridge.

On Hectorage (232442) no RPC comments were required, but RPC may review pavement parking outside the semi-detached cottages (Rose Cottage and Hectorage).

On Lockwater (232178) and Willow Corner (231485) there was concern about the Green Belt and JH was asked to consider listing both. Subsequently, extra time for comments was allowed for Lockwaters.

TC was asked to find out about the demolition of Foxhaven, which had not been approved by WBC Planning. RPC had asked Enforcement to look into building work at The Flower Pot.

097/23: CIL PROJECTS

It was noted that the 2 oak posts (for defibrillator boxes) were now at Hambleden Lock and the Copas site. It was also noted that TC had purchased a decibel meter for use by residents. A refund for TC was agreed.


098/23: WWW & WEBSITE

Website use in Sept was noted.

099/23: LITTER, HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

TC was asked to check with SSE when they would investigate the WestcoTec sign power supply. Also RPC should ask Copas to arrange

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clearance of debris on Remenham Lane following Rewind. TC outlined WBC plans for bin emptying. TC had indicated he been asked by Jamie if RPC wanted him to cut the wild trail each month, along with critical footpaths. JM supported this and the meeting agreed to start this in the Spring of 2024. TC reported that he had spoken to Father Jeremy who would like RPC to look into the collapse of the roadside near the upper churchyard. TC was asked to establish how many street bins were emptied in the Parish, with a view to recommending action at the next meeting.

100/23: FINANCIAL MATTERS

It was AGREED that the street light contract with SSE should be cancelled. TC had circulated details of RPC account activity, which was approved. This included payment to auditors PFK. It was AGREED that the Urbaser contract to empty dog-waste bins should be renewed. TC had reported that there had been no update from Urbaser.

101/23: ANY OTHER MATTERS & DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

RPC next meets on Mon 13th Nov at 6:00pm

ACTIONS:

TC will: keep in contact with EH on vehicles speeding and pavement parking, etc.

send comments on Henley Bridge lighting (232443), Hectorage (232442), Lockwaters (232178) and Willow Corner (231485)

discover the current position on Foxhaven

contact SSE regarding the WestcoTec sign and to cancel the street light contract

seek clearance of Rewind debris from Remenham Lane