

Minutes of the Meeting of Manningford Parish Council held on
Tuesday 28th September 2021 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Councillors Richard Netherclift, , David Proto, Sue Lymposs, Andy Reed and Bridget Lanyon
Unitary Councillor Paul Oatway
Clerk Ruth Kinderman

1. Apologies

None.

2. Pecuniary and other Interests

None declared.

3. Approve minutes of the parish council meeting held on 13th July 2021

Cllr Lymposs proposed these be accepted as an accurate record; seconded by Cllr Reed, all in favour and signed accordingly by Cllr Netherclift.

4. Matters Arising

Further to the resignation of Cllr David Wheen, vacancy notices published by Democratic Services expired on 17th September and the vacant seat may be filled by co-option. The four vacant seats will be advertised in the next Village News.

The gully outside the Mill House has been investigated and a broken pipe repaired; it is now due to be cleared out at high pressure. It was noted that resident Chris Andrews had greatly appreciated Cllr Oatway's support in this matter.

5. Finance

Balances up to the end of August had been circulated and are attached as an appendix to these minutes. There have been no payments made yet during September; the Clerk's salary with tax adjustment is due for payment and the fee to Charlton Baker is now collected by Direct Debit a month in arrears.

Cllr Netherclift proposed a vote of thanks for all that David Wheen had done during his time as Responsible Finance Officer, and wished him well at his new residence, in which all concurred.

6. Planning Applications

To note decisions made by Wiltshire Planning Department:

PL/2021/05478 - The Former Rectory - Removal of existing conservatory and erection of single-storey extension

Approved since the last meeting.

To agree response:

PL/2021/03616 - Jasmin Cottage - Lining of the cottage chimney with a Schiedel Isokern pumice liner system and new installation of a twin-walled metal flue system in the curtilage-listed art studio.

Whilst having no objection to the improvements to the cottage chimney, concerns were expressed about the height of the chimney proposed for the studio and the possible dangers

posed to the surrounding thatched houses. The Parish Council suggested that alternative means of heating the studio should be considered.

PL/2021/08873 – The Bridge – single storey side extension

This application had been received since publication of the agenda. It was agreed that there was no objection.

Tree Preservation Order – 2021/00015/IND – Wiltshire Council has issued a TPO on the oak tree situated on land adjacent to The Ivies. It was agreed to support the TPO but notify the Planning Department that the submitted plan is inaccurate, with the oak shown on the wrong plot of land.

7. Parish projects

i) Playground - repairs to multi-play unit

Cllr Reed has ordered the materials necessary to complete the repair.

- safety matting

Quotes are awaited from Kompan and Sovereign Play; an updated quote from Wicksteed has also been requested. Cllr Reed noted that it would be cheaper to purchase safety grass tiles and install them independently. However, it appears that the fall height of the climbing frame may exclude safety grass and an alternative surface may be necessary to comply with the regulations.

ii) It was agreed to wash the village gates and repaint where necessary as soon as the weather allows.

8. Allotments

i) overhanging trees

Cllr Lympson has liaised with Chris Wardell to determine what is required and is now waiting for a quote from Steven Parker.

ii) plot 7

This has become available once again as the aspiring holder has not found time to get started; to be advertised in the next Village News.

9. Highways

i) C52

Cllr Oatway reported that Richard Dobson of Highways has agreed to patch the Seven Wells crossroads (C52/C261) where the road surface has worn away and exposed the rubble beneath. Cllr Oatway has emphasised the urgency of completing the white lining and resurfacing of this accident blackspot and the Wiltshire Director of Highways, Parvis Khansari, is aware of the situation further to emails from both Cllr Oatway and Cllr Lanyon.

Cllr Oatway is also working towards 'STOP' signs and painted strips at the Cross Hayes end of the C52.

Cllr Proto reported that the Community Speedwatch Team (CSW) has observed that the 'Local Village Only' signs have made no difference to the volume of traffic along the C52 and it was noted again that the national speed limit applies (outside of the 30mph limit in Manningford), in contrast with the 50mph limit on the A345. It was suggested that a lower speed limit on the C52 might lead to SatNav systems advising a shorter journey time along the A345, rather than advising the C52 as a shorter route.

Cllr Proto noted that the village of Avebury appears to be trialling a village-requested speed limit. The possibility of making part of the C52 'access only' was discussed; such a solution could be enforced with the new CSW Trevllo camera.

It was agreed that Cllr Lanyon would pursue email correspondence with Highways and that the Clerk should request a site meeting with Parvis Khansari.

ii)repairs to bin on triangle
Cllr Proto has got a new pole ready to install.

10. Footpaths

i)MANN32 and MANN 24

A complaint had been received about these paths; it has become apparent that they are no longer maintained by the volunteers who used to do so. The complainant had also reported the overgrowth to Wiltshire Council, who cut it back promptly.

Cllr Reed reported that he has arranged for the broken kissing gate by the White House to be repaired and that the parish steward had strimmed the alleyway to the side.

11. Police matters

Nothing to report.

12. Village Hall

i)Defibrillator training – Cllr Lympos said that this will take place in the New Year.

The Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall Committee will take place this Thursday 30th, after which there will be an open discussion to arrange forthcoming events.

Cllr Reed said that somebody had reported a missing ear-ring after dog training on the playing field. It was agreed to authorise the use of a metal detector in an attempt to find it.

13. PCC

There was no report but it was noted that the Harvest Festival will take place on 10th October.

14. Website

It was agreed to invite Sandra Hossack to the next meeting in order to present her proposals for the new website.

15. Correspondence and diary dates

15th November – the C52 will be closed between the triangles for five days to allow for sewerage works.

16. Items from the public

Two issues were raised to be logged with My Wiltshire; the flooding on the A345 at Willowbrook and the sunken trenches across the C52 outside the Former Rectory.

17. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 23rd November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

FY20 as at year end		Manningford Parish Council	FY21 as at 31st August 21	
£6,237.00		Balance at start of year	£8,965.51	
£7,949.63		Income	£7,000.00	
-£5,221.12		Expenditure	-£2,826.78	
£8,965.51		Lloyds Bank Balance as at 31 Aug 21	£13,138.73	
£0.00		Creditors FY17		
£8,966.00		Manningford PC owns	£13,138.73	
income	expenditure			
		Loan Repayment		
	£296.37	Subscriptions, fees & website		£173.18
	£900.00	Secretary's salary		£397.60
	£2,680.00	External maintenance		£680.00
	£500.00	Insurance		£505.38
£650.00		Defibrillator		
£50.00		Allotment		£300.00
		SID 7 villages	£300.00	£300.00
	£300.00	SID Manningford village hall		£300.00
£300.00	£473.48	Miscel payments		
£6,950.00		wilts council	£6,700.00	
	£71.27	HMRC (VAT)		£170.62
£7,950.00	£5,221.12	Sub totals	£7,000.00	£2,826.78
£2,728.88		Excess income over expenditure	£4,173.22	
£8,965.88		Bank Balance brought forward	£13,138.73	
Richard Netherclift		Ruth Kinderman		
Chairman PC		Responsible Finance Officer		