

Minutes of the Meeting of Manningford Parish Council held on  
Tuesday 6th December 2022 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall

Present: Councillors Andy Reed (Chair), Sue Lympoos, Andrew Paine, Liz Young, David Proto  
Clerk Ruth Kinderman

**1. Apologies**

Councillors Richard Netherclift and Bridget Lanyon.  
Unitary Councillor Paul Oatway.

**2. Pecuniary and other Interests**

None declared.

**3. Approve minutes of the parish council meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022**

Cllr Lympoos proposed these be approved as an accurate record, seconded by Cllr Paine, all in favour and signed accordingly by Cllr Reed.

**4. Matters Arising**

Cllr Reed will liaise with Cllr Netherclift about cleaning the bench under the oak tree.

SAAA has granted the new five-year auditing contract for parish councils in Wiltshire to PKF Littlejohn, the previous contractor.

Idverde and Wiltshire Council had confirmed that the relocated bin opposite the village hall is not recognised on any of their mapping systems. Idverde is able to empty it, at a cost to the parish council of £3.95 per visit.

**5. Finance – to approve budget and set precept for 2023/2024**

Payments made since the last meeting were:

Charlton Baker – payroll services September and October - £28.00  
Clerk's salary September, October, November - £262.50

The balance sheet, with bank statements, up to the end of November had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting and is attached as an appendix to these minutes.

Invoices to be paid:

Charlton Baker – payroll services November - £14.00 to be collected by direct debit  
Cllr Lympoos – reimburse raffle prize donated by parish council - £22.00 – approved under item 11 on 3<sup>rd</sup> October.

£150 had been received in allotment rent, with a further £25 expected.

The VAT reclaim of £2904.53 had been received of which £460.59 had been transferred to the SID account as the VAT paid on the second SID.

A draft budget had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting, with a suggested precept of £8025, an increase of 7% on last year's precept of £7500.

All items and budgeted figures were approved. The addition of bin emptying as a new item was approved, with a fortnightly empty for the bin opposite the village hall. It was agreed to make further enquiries about a public waste bin to be placed at the end of Church Lane and to increase the budget and precept for the purchase and emptying accordingly.

Cllr Reed proposed a precept of £8300 for 2023/2024, an increase of 10.76% on last year's precept, reduced to an increase of 9.95% when the slightly higher tax base is taken into account. This was seconded by Cllr Proto with all in favour. This will add £4.31 to the annual charge for a Band D property.

It was noted that this increase is in line with inflation and assumes reducing the existing bank balance by £1000 during the year.

It was noted that reserves should be built up in preparation for the expected 10% parish contribution to any works agreed by LHFIG (previously CATG) for the C52 but that a higher increase to the precept may not be acceptable to the parish without further publicity and explanation.

## 6. Planning Applications

To note decisions made by Wiltshire Planning Department:

**PL/2022/04883 - Manorfield Farm** - Demolition of 3 agricultural buildings and the existing dwelling on the site and the erection of a replacement dwelling with a detached garage and associated change of use from agricultural to residential land, solar panels and hard and soft landscaping

This had been approved by Wiltshire Council subject to several conditions, to be circulated to all councillors with the draft minutes. Conditions include: an archaeological investigation and associated program of work; investigation and works to address any possible land contamination; submission of plans for hard and soft landscaping; completion of parking and turning spaces; demolition of previous dwelling; various ecological reports including bats; maximum water usage per capita requirements.

**PL/2022/05401 - Sunningdale**, Manningford Bruce, SN9 6LJ – Ground and first floor extension

Wiltshire Council was due to publish a decision on 8<sup>th</sup> November; Clerk to chase.

To note responses submitted since the last meeting:

**PL/2022/07080 and PL/2022/07289(Listed Building Consent) - The Old Manor House**, Manningford Bruce, Pewsey, SN9 6JW - Proposed extension and associated alterations.

The parish council had supported the application due to minimal visual impact. It was noted that the Conservation Officer had objected to the application for Listed Building Consent. Wiltshire Council has not yet published a decision.

**PL/2022/06953 - Land at The Ivies**, Manningford Bruce, SN9 6JH - Erection of two no. 2 bed family dwellings with access and associated infrastructure (Outline application relating to access)

The parish council had submitted no objection; the application had been refused by Wiltshire Council due to crowding and the detrimental impact on neighbouring properties.

**PL/2022/07824 - Land Adjacent Garages, The Ivies**, MANNINGFORD BRUCE, PEWSEY, SN9 6JE – TPO consent - T1 Oak. Crown raise, crown thin and target prune to reduce end weight of heavy, over extended branches. Crown to be reduced/thinned by approximately 25%. Main stem of tree has an old fracture and cobra bracing to be installed.

The parish council had submitted no objection; the treeworks were approved by Wiltshire Council.

**PL/2022/07732 - Mount Pleasant Farm**, Pure Pastures, Manningford Bruce, Pewsey, SN9 6JQ - 132kW roof-mounted solar PV system, installed on the building roofs of the above-mentioned site.

The parish council had submitted no objection; the application was refused by Wiltshire Council as prior conditions relating to landscaping and water drainage are yet to be met.

**PL/2022/08365 - 1 Mill Road**, Manningford Bruce, SN9 6JN - Proposed Rear Extension & Associated Internal Alterations

The parish council has submitted no objection; Wiltshire Council is due to make a decision on 26<sup>th</sup> December.

## **7. Playground**

Wicksteed had quoted £1263.00 to replace the swing chains and replace the grass safety matting beneath the swings. It was agreed to pursue the grass safety matting but to postpone the swing chains to another year. £1500 was agreed in the budget for this purpose.

It was agreed to place a notice in the playground and messages in the village email and Facebook page in the spring to find out what improvements residents would like to see to the playground and to ensure that cost implications are understood prior to the budget and precept for 2024/2025.

## **8. Allotments**

All plots are still tenanted; one holder has yet to pay this year's rent.

£1500 was agreed in the budget to allow for future water solutions if found to be necessary. Feedback from allotment holders had suggested IBC's could be placed

behind the original shed. Clerk noted that reconditioned 1000 litre IBC's are obtainable for £80 each. Cllr Reed will explore the proposal more thoroughly to understand how they would be linked to water butts for rainwater to be collected throughout the year.

#### **9. Highways**

Linda Gaskin continues to lead the Community Speedwatch Team, for which the parish council is grateful.

Cllr Netherclift has asked LHFIC(CATG) for an update on plans for the forthcoming meeting about the C52.

Clerk had re-sent the list of suggested improvements to Cllr Oatway in readiness for the meeting. A photograph of the flooding at the site of the old ford had also been sent. After discussion about the preference for a reduced speed limit along the length of the C52, it was agreed that councillors will conduct experiments by travelling between the A345/C52 junctions at Indigo and Prospect at the existing speed limits, and at 30mph along the C52 to ascertain whether a reduction in the speed limit would be effective in changing journey times on SatNav systems, with the A345 promoted as the faster route, rather than the C52 as at present.

#### **10. Footpaths**

Cllr Reed has asked the parish steward to deal with a fallen tree along MANN32.

#### **11. Village Hall – defibrillator training**

SWAST has appointed Paul Cosh as the new trainer to replace Julia Doel, who retired last year, and training sessions will recommence in the New Year. The Village Hall Committee will discuss which day of the week and at what time would be the best option.

The Race Night was very well attended and raised £904 for the NSPCC.

The Village Christmas Party will be held on 16<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **12. PCC**

The Christmas Carol Service has been brought forward to 11<sup>th</sup> December at 4.30pm.

#### **13. Website**

Nothing to report.

#### **14. Correspondence and diary dates**

Nothing to report.

#### **15. Items from the public**

No items had been received and no residents were in attendance.

#### **16. Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm

FY21 as at year end		Manningford Parish Council	FY22 as at 30th November	
£8,965.51		Balance at start of year	£14,650.99	
£11,210.34		Income	£10,554.53	
-£5,524.86		Expenditure	-£15,059.86	
£14,438.15		Lloyds Bank Balance as at 30 November 22	£10,159.66	
-£12.50	(Charlton Baker)	Creditors (Charlton Baker)	-£14.00	
£225.34	(Pure Pastures)	Debtors		
<b>£14,650.99</b>		<b>Manningford PC owns</b>	<b>£10,145.66</b>	
<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>		<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>
£	n/a	Playground		£6,658.67
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	£476.54	Subscriptions, fees & website		£1,669.97
	£1,015.30	Secretary's salary		£700.00
	£1,490.00	External maintenance		£927.00
	£505.38	Insurance		£558.50
		Defibrillator		£450.00
£125.00	£300.00	Allotment	£150.00	£10.00
£300.00	£300.00	SID 5 villages		
	£300.00	SID Manningford		£300.00
£1,860.00	£465.03	village hall		£1,395.07
£225.34	£225.34	Miscel payments		£460.59 (i)
£6,700.00		wilts council	£7,500.00	
	£447.27	HMRC (VAT)	£2,904.53	£1,930.06
£11,210.34	£5,524.86	Sub totals	£10,554.53	£15,059.86
£5,685.48		Excess income over expenditure	-£4,505.03	
£14,650.99		Bank Balance brought forward	£10,145.66	
Richard Netherclift		Ruth Kinderman		
Chairman PC		Responsible Finance Officer		

(i) VAT reclaim for second SID transferred to SID a/c