



LANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the LANDFORD PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting held on 13th November 2024 Start time 7.00pm
Blue Room, Landford Village Hall

Councillors present - Mary Davies **MD** (Chair), Rob Bird **RB** (Vice Chair), Ken Parker **KP**, Damien Swancott **DS**, John Bonney **JB**, Nick Hall **NH**, Adam Hill **AH** and Geoff Hewson **GH**.

Also in attendance: 5 members of the public, Cllr Zoe Clewer (WC) and Estelle Sherry (Parish Clerk).

Public Question Time: There were no public questions or comments from the floor; an email received from a parishioner regarding item 106/24 ii) was read out by MD.

MINUTES

098/24 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Glen Keirl.

099/24 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest received.

100/24 Minutes

The Minutes of the Parish Council's Meeting held on 9th October were approved and signed by the Chair.

101/24 PC Ramsey Report

PC Ramsey (Landford Area) was unable to attend but provided a report which was presented by MD, who informed the meeting that over the past 30 days, there had been 4 incidents. These were:

- On 23.10.24, a car was stolen from Beech Grange; the car was recovered and enquiries are ongoing.
- On 23.10.24, two vehicles were caught speeding near Stonegarth.
- On 23.10.24 and 26.10.24, two vehicles were broken into at a hotel on the A36; the Police are working with the hotel to improve security.
- On 02.11.24, two vehicles were broken into on Lyndhurst Road; enquiries are ongoing.

It was also noted that the Mobile Police Station will be visiting the Parish and will be near the Lamb Inn on the afternoon of 18.11.24, near the Post Office on the afternoon of 20.11.24, and at New Forest Lodge on the evening of 24.11.24.

102/24 Report from Councillor Zoe Clewer (Wiltshire Council / NFNPA member)

Cllr Clewer informed the meeting of:

- Household Support Fund scams and the need to remain vigilant.
- National Children and Young People's Awards for which WC won 4 awards, and an "outstanding" rating from Ofsted.
- The essential work of our farming communities and the challenges they face in protecting our rural landscape and providing food for the population.
- Technological assistance available from WC's Engagement and Partnerships Team.
- WC's Area Board Youth Focus and a request to Parish Councils to allocate funding to pool towards youth work.
- NFNPA's Partnership Panel and a visit to the Southern Water Sewage Treatment Works at Beaulieu.
- MyWilts App updates aimed at making the interface more user friendly.
- Winter Fuel Allowance application deadline of 21.12.24 for those on Pension Credit.
- Completion of drainage works at Glebe Lane / Pound Hill / Brookside / Lyndhurst Road, and that the Vactor drain cleaner is scheduled to find and clear 13 drains in the near future.

103/24 Presentation by Buzz Action Foundation

Jonathon from Buzz Action Foundation gave a presentation on the activities and events provided by the Foundation for young people in the parish, including NML Youth Club, Buzz Squad, Circus Wessex, day trips to cultural events, and residential trips. Also, of the work the Foundation does with external providers, such as Wiltshire creative, Rise 61 and Sport 360. Council thanked Jonathon for his presentation and the work of the Foundation.

104/24 Planning

Councillors considered the following NFNPA planning applications:

24/01116FULL – Hemsby Court, Lyndhurst Road, Landford, Salisbury, SP5 2AP

Application for a 2 storey extension; outbuilding (demolition of existing outbuilding).

24/01070FULL – Rufus Cottage, School Road, Nomansland, Salisbury, SP5 2BY

Application for a first floor extension; covered walkway.

Planning Application **24/00874FULL – 41 Beech Grange, Landford, Salisbury, SP5 2AL**, previously considered by the Parish Council on 14.08.24, was also discussed following a request by the NFNPA Case Officer, due to amended plans submitted by the applicant.

The Council's responses are detailed in the Planning Schedule Recommendations document published on the council's website.

105/24 Clerk / RFO Reports

- i) **General Update** - The Clerk updated Councillors on:
 - Actions undertaken following the October meeting, including actioning the speed sign extended warranty, acquisition of salt supplies, installation of a new electricity meter at the Reading Room, and the completion of the interim internal audit.
 - The quotation received in respect of repair works to the public conveniences at Landford Recreation Ground. It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation.
- ii) **Receipts and Payments Report** - The Clerk presented the Report for the period 9 October to 12 November 2024. It was **RESOLVED** to approve payments for authorisation totalling £2,228.62. Payments authorised under separate cover totalling £2,724.67, corporate card expenditure totalling £3.00 and income received of £1,050.50 were noted.

106/24 Councillor Reports – For Discussion and Decision

- i) **Landford Recreation Ground** – Representatives from Whiteparish Cricket Club gave a summary of their proposal for the hire of the Grounds for the 2025 cricket season. It was **RESOLVED** to approve the hire in principle, but for further details to be provided and considered regarding upkeep, use of equipment, safety measures and charges.
- ii) **Affordable Housing Working Group** – MD provided a summary of the history and activities relating to affordable housing over prior years, and of the work to date of the AHWG. Councillors considered issues including land supply, project delivery methods, required qualities and quantities, and community involvement. It was **RESOLVED** to cease the facilitation by the Parish Council of the delivery of affordable housing within the Parish. An open meeting will be held on 18th December in Landford Village Hall.
- iii) **Website and Email Domains** – The clerk summarised the outcomes of Councillor discussions at the 23.10.24 meeting. It was **RESOLVED** to approve migration and the pursuance of a gov.uk domain for website and email, website rename, data migration and appointment of an Approved Registrar.
- iv) **NJC Local Government Services Pay Agreement 2024** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve the implementation of the 2024 agreement.
- v) **2nd Draft Budget** – The clerk provided an update on the 2nd Draft. It was **RESOLVED** to note the budget and for amendments, as discussed, to be incorporated into the final draft.

107/24 Councillor Reports – For Information and Discussion

- i) **Chair's Report** – MD reported to the Council meetings with parishioners and attendance at events over the previous weeks, including:
 - Attendance at the NFNPPA Planning Committee Meeting on 15.10.24.

- Attendance at a meeting to discuss the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) on 15.10.24.
- Attendance at the NFNPA on 17.10.24 when elected to the following positions: Vice Chair of the Planning Committee, Chair of the Resources, Audit and Performance Committee, Chair of the Sustainable Communities Fund Panel, and Representative Member of the Building Design Awards Panel and the New Forest Business Partnership
- Attendance at the NFNPA on 21.10.24 regarding the Local Nature Reserve Strategy.
- Chairing the NFNPA Resources, Audit and Performance Committee on 04.11.24.
- Chairing the Affordable Housing Working Group Meeting on 04.11.24.
- Attendance at a Pre-Planning Application Training Meeting on 06.11.24.
- Attendance at the South Wiltshire Area Board on 07.11.24.
- Attendance at the Armistice Day Remembrance Service at the Well of Sacrifice, and the laying of a wreath to the Fallen.
- Thanks to all Councillors, the Clerk and Cllr Clewer for their support this month.

ii) **Representatives on Outside Bodies** – There were no reports.

iii) **Nomansland Reading Room** – RB advised that the purchase of a floor covering for the Reading Room was in progress, and that material books and samples had been acquired.

Matters Noted for December Meeting:

- Final Draft of 2025/26 Budget
- Parish Defibrillators
- RoSPA Annual Playground Inspection Reports
- AHWG – including December Open Meeting

The date of the next meeting of **Landford Parish Council** will be on **Wednesday 11th December 2024** at **7.00 pm** in **Nomansland Reading Room**.

There being no further business, MD closed the meeting at 9.27 pm.

DRAFT MINUTES TO BE SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.

ADDENDUM 1 – My Wilts App Links

Report litter, fly-tipping, pot holes, missed bin collections, street lighting and much more on:

- WC website [Wiltshire Council Booking and Reporting](#) or

- 0300 456 0105 or

- MyWilts App; no need to log in, unless you want email updates on your reports.

