



Itchen Valley Parish Council

Serving the Communities of Avington, Easton, Itchen Abbas & Martyr Worthy

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting
held at Itchen Abbas & Avington Village Hall
on Thursday 9th January 2025 at 6.35 pm

Members Attending:

Cllr Appleby (Chairman), Cllr Andrews, Cllr Beresford, Cllr Jeffes, Cllr Langford, Cllr Moffat, Cllr Swinstead, Cllr Wolfe, Cllr Johnston (joined 7.52 pm)

In Attendance:

Cllr Gordon-Smith, Cllr Porter, Richard Doughty (Parish Clerk).

1. Apologies Received
Itchen Valley Parish Council: None
County and City: Cllr Pinniger, Cllr Power,
2. Declarations of Interest
None
3. Public Participation
None
4. RESOLVED: To approve the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 5th December 2024.
5. City and County Councillor Reports
The City and County Councillor reports were noted. The Council discussed the devolution plans being considered by Hampshire County Council.
6. Planning Matters

Planning Applications received up to Friday 3rd January 2025:

Application No. [SDNP/24/05033/LIS](#)



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Location	The Mill House Lower Chilland Lane Martyr Worthy Hampshire SO21 1EB
Proposal	Replacement of existing French Doors leading onto terrace which have deteriorated due to weather conditions with new French Doors
Comments	<i>No Comment</i>
Application No.	SDNP/22/05353/FUL
Location	Graces Farm Martyr Worthy Road Abbots Worthy Hampshire SO21 1DX
Proposal	Formation of replacement farmyard, reusing existing and new buildings, redevelopment of existing farmyard, converting 2no, existing barns to 2no. dwellings, creation of 4 new dwellings, including 1 rural workers dwelling, on the site of removed farm buildings, associated new build garage and outbuildings and associated landscape works including the creation of a public right of way along the existing railway line. (Revised drawings)
Comments	<i>We repeat our comments of the 14th June 2024 including our support for the principle of the development. We are very pleased to see the proposed Public Rights of Way on offer, we would additionally have liked to see our proposed footpath link from the development to Easton village to save pedestrians from having to walk along the narrow speed derestricted highway</i>

In the period that the Clerk's position will be vacant, the Council delegated responsibility for monitoring planning applications requiring attention to Cllrs Appleby and Langford.

7. Financial Matters

- a) RESOLVED: To transfer the Lengthman's Reserve to £10,720 to Old Alresford Parish Council to assume Scheme Lead Council role.
- b) RESOLVED: To approve the Budget for FY 2025/26
- c) RESOLVED: To approve the Precept of £34,044.00 for FY 2025/26



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- d) RESOLVED: To approve payments.
- e) RESOLVED: To approve the Q3 Bank Reconciliations
Bank Balances as of 31st December 2024 were noted:
Current Account - £19,683.10
Reserve Account - £42,364.70
Cllr Andrews signed the Bank Account Reconciled Statements.
- f) RESOLVED: To approve a grant application from Citizens Advice Winchester District for £800.00.
- g) The Council agreed that the Council delegate responsibility to add and remove bank signatories to Cllrs Appleby & Langford. This will involve removing Cllr Rosewell and the Parish Clerk and adding Cllr Johnston and the new Parish Clerk.

8. Council Matters

A candidate has been offered the position on Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer.

9. Environment Working Group

The Council agreed a Spring Litter Pick date of Saturday 15th March 2025. Cllr Moffat agreed to organize the Litter Pick.

10. Rights of Way Working Group

- a) The bridge on footpath 12/50 has been repaired.
- b) The Council agreed that the Rights of Way Working Group planned expenses were within budget. Repairs and servicing to the ride on brush cutter could be carried out.

11. Open Spaces

- a) Couch Green Project. Cllr Beresford outlined the next steps involved detailed cut & fill work to understand the gradient of the proposed football pitches and how they align with Football Association guidelines. It was agreed that a project working group would be established. Cllr Langford explained 10 trees had been planted in Avington Country Park.



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12. Highways & Transport

Cllr Jackie Porter explained that a reply had been received from HCC Highways regarding concerns over diversion of traffic while the M3/Junction 9 was taking place. Cllrs Wolfe and Appleby to decide whether the draft letter to National Highways on this concern should still be sent. The Council was informed that the M3 Junction 9 project had not yet received formal confirmation.

13. Website

Cllr Wolfe updated the Council on the website project and explained that the transfer to the new website would be on 31st January 2025.

14. Law & Order

Nothing to Report

15. Village Halls

Nothing to Report

16. Date & Time of next meeting

Thursday 13th February 2025 at 7.00 pm at Easton Village Hall

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm