West Ilsley Parish Council

Full Council Meeting

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held in West Ilsley Village Hall on Tuesday 4th February 2025. Commencing at 7:30 pm.

Members Present:	Councillor Graham Woods (GW) – Chair Councillor Katy Morris (KM) Councillor Rachel Hudson (RH)
Members Absent:	Councillor Alan Bloor (APB) Councillor Tim Pearey (TP) – Deputy Chair Councillor Jonny Rayfield (JR)
Officers Present:	Sarah Marshman, Clerk/RFO
In Attendance:	1 Member of the Public

Minutes

24/077 To receive, and consider for acceptance, apologies for absence from Members of the Council
Apologies were received from Councillors Alan Bloor, Tim Pearey, and Jonny Rayfield.

24/078 To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Registerable Interests or Non-Registerable Interests and to consider any Requests for Dispensation from Members declaring a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest
There were no declarations of interests or requests for dispensation.

24/079 To receive:
Questions or comments from members of the public regarding items on the agenda
Representations from any member who has declared an Other Registerable Interest or Non-Registerable Interest
There were no questions, comments, or representations.

24/080 To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd December 2024
Resolved: Members agreed that the minutes of the last meeting should be accepted as a true record. The Chair signed the minutes.

24/081 To discuss any matters arising from the Minutes of the November and December meetings

The tree by the Recreation Ground has been felled.
West Berkshire Council refused the request to build out the corners at Bury Lane to reduce speeds at the junction.
The Drainage and Flood Risk Team at West Berkshire Council has not responded to the request for an update on the maintenance of Keepers Pond.

24/082 To receive a report from the District Councillor

The District Councillor had sent their apologies.

24/083 To receive an update on planning application responses and decisions

West Ilsley Parish Council has responded to the following planning applications using delegated powers since the previous meeting:

- 24/02218/HOUSE 38 Churchway, West Ilsley, RG20 7AH - Solar PV panels installation on roof. No objections
- 24/02503/HOUSE & 24/02504/LBC Tythe End, Main Street, West Ilsley, RG20 7AJ - Installation of 17 Solar Panels to be mounted on the roof top at the rear of the property, with 9 panels on the main roof section and 8 on the smaller roof section. No objections

West Berkshire District Council has confirmed the following decisions since the previous meeting:

- 24/01571/FUL Tanglewood, Main Street, West Ilsley, RG20 7AA - Land to rear of Tanglewood, Main Street to erect a new single storey, storage building to house agricultural equipment and machinery. Approved.
- 24/01187/FUL Fir Tree Cottages, Main Street, West Ilsley, RG20 7AA - Repairs to existing to include; repair/replacement of existing windows and cills, Removal of exterior paint, Removal of cement render and replaced with lime render, repair existing mortar and repoint. Installation of new; active humidity control fans, a french drain, new guttering, ridge tile vents. Demolition of No2 stores and relocation of oil tanks. *description amended*. Approved.
- 24/02503/HOUSE & 024/02504/LBC Tythe End, Main Street, West Ilsley, RG20 7AJ - Installation of 17 Solar Panels to be mounted on the roof top at the rear of the property, with 9 panels on the main roof section and 8 on the smaller roof section. Approved.

24/084 Finance:

To consider approving the payments listed on the Finance Report

Resolved: To approve the payments listed on the Finance Report in Appendix 1.

To note the most recent bank reconciliation

The bank reconciliation to 31st December 2024 was noted as shown in the Finance Report in Appendix 1.

To receive any reports from the Internal Controller
The Internal Controller has reviewed the accounts to the end of December 2024.

To receive the most recent Quarterly Budget Report
The quarterly budget report to 31st December 2024 was reviewed.

24/085 To consider any actions required as a result of West Ilsley being used as a diversion route during closures of the A34
Further to the correspondence the council has already had with West Berkshire Council, it was felt there were no further actions that could be taken at this time.

24/086 To consider whether any actions are required related to the 80th Anniversary of VE Day
Resolved: To set a budget of £500 to purchase the unknown Tommy and Women in War statues and any additional items required. Action: Clerk

24/087 To receive an update on flooding
Keepers Pond is currently draining. If the current rate of increasing groundwater continues there may be no flooding, however, there is still plenty of risk ahead.

24/088 To receive an update on WIRSA
There have been no volunteers.

24/089 To receive an update on the Village Hall
A request for funding from the Village Hall has been received and will be included on the next agenda.

24/090 To receive an update on speeding
Figures for speed data from 2023 and 2024 are given below:

Speed	2023	2024	Grand Total
0-29	79347	106844	204477
30-39	29786	43401	82243
40-49	3863	5098	10194
50-59	136	183	372
60+	15	21	38
Grand Total	113147	155547	297324

24/091 To discuss matters for future consideration or information
There were no matters for future consideration or information.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:51 pm.

Dates of forthcoming meetings:
Full Council: Tuesday 20th May (Annual Meeting of the Parish Council and the Annual Parish Meeting)

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Appendix 1: Finance Report

Status at last bank reconciliation 31st December 2024	
Account	**Amount**
Lloyds Current	£8,127.61
Lloyds Savings	£37,710.34
Total	**£45,837.95**

Income	**Amount**
Interest	£90.54
Total	**£90.54**

Payments to be approved			
Date	**Payee**	**Payment Detail**	**Amount**
10-Sep-24	Royal Mail	Postage	£0.85
15-Nov-24	Hugo Fox	Website	£11.99
21-Nov-24	Just Host Me	Email Hosting	£3.00
21-Nov-24	Staff Costs	Staff costs Nov	£480.28
26-Nov-24	Just Host Me	Email Hosting	£28.40
16-Dec-25	Hugo Fox	Website	£11.99
19-Dec-25	SLCC Enterprises	Training - Practitioners' Conference	£40.86
19-Dec-25	SLCC	Membership 25/26	£38.35
19-Dec-25	West Berkshire Council	Donation to Library Service	£130.00
20-Dec-25	Staff Costs	Staff costs Dec	£409.59
14-Jan-25	CJM Services	Repairs in play area	£1,548.00
14-Jan-25	SNC Forestry	Tree works	£450.00
15-Jan-25	Hugo Fox	Website	£11.99
23-Jan-25	Staff Costs	Staff costs Jan	£409.14
		Total	**£3,574.44**

Transfers			
Date	**From Account**	**To Account**	**Amount**
06-Nov-25	Current	Savings	£6,000.00
		Total	**£6,000.00**