

# Quidhampton Parish Council



**Minutes of the Meeting of Quidhampton Parish Council  
Held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2024  
At 7.30pm in Quidhampton Village Hall**

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**Present:** Cllr Jackie Peters (JP), Cllr Sam Martin (SM), Cllr Paul Cripps (PC), Cllr Steph Kershaw (SK)

**Plus:** Sasha Stagg - Clerk

**Members of the public:**

**63/24 Apologies for absence:** Cllr Julia Thomas (JT), Cllr Howard Rowley (HR)

**64/24 Open Forum:**

Local resident who lives at the bottom of Footshill attended to hear about the issues of HGV's driving through the village and to find out what is being done about it. He commented that there had been a number of frightening incidences outside of his house where HGV's have attempted to turn around and make 3 point turns.

**65/24 Declarations of interest:** None

**66/24 To receive a report from Cllr Pauline Church (Wiltshire Council)**

- There has recently been a lot of cleaning work taking place on A36, including sorting out drains. Most recently Queen Street in Wilton has been closed to enable this.
- Wilts Police recently did a massive removal of drugs, money and weapons off the streets of Wilton. 4 addresses were targeted – not for the first time, also happened about 2 years ago. If any member of the public has any drug concerns then it is vital that it is reported. This can be done anonymously if required.
- The Local Plan is currently under review, with Wilts Council proposing to building 2796 properties within a 1km of the ward of Wilton. PCH is very against any further development West of Salisbury and is keen to preserve the local environment.
- There have been a number of incidences of HGV's coming through the village, to and from Churchfields. Lower Bemerton is even more badly affected. LHFIFG for Salisbury is going to fund additional notices and signage – this is already in place. Not sure what else can be done. Wilts Council sent letters to every business in Churchfields, but it still remains an issue which has been exacerbated by the recent roadworks in Salisbury. Wilts Council has, for decades, sought additional alternatives to Churchfields, however they only own the Tip, the rest is private and largely owned by overseas investors. PCH suggested that it might be worth inviting the police to come to a Parish meeting and debate the issue. Possibly involve Lower Bemerton too?

- Bollards are all now in place and there has been no further recent feedback, so all now appears to be well although it was noted that one bollard had been hit. With regards to the white line, the question was raised as to whether or not it is enforceable. A broken line can be crossed, a solid line can't. Whilst PCH has complete sympathy for pedestrians, especially those with young families, the solid line was never meant to create a footpath, it is just an edge of carriageway line. The point of the works was to narrow the road and to slow down vehicles. The suggestion of putting in a proper footpath was raised. This could be discussed with Perry Payne to see if it were viable and highways engineers really need to take a good look.
- No further updates on Coronation Square. Improvements were going to be funded by the governments Active Travel Plan but no further developments.

**67/24** The **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting** held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 were unanimously approved.

**Matter arising:** None

**68/24** **Highways**

- i) SID update – Cllr Martin confirmed that he now had the SID computer up and running, he just now needs the key to access the data. The information to date will not be much use, however once SM has changed the settings it will be very helpful. SM to contact Joy Wagstaff and to help move the device. Display settings need to be changed to only display red and green, not yellow. **Action SM.**
- ii) No further progress to date with the reinstatement of Community Speedwatch, where Metro counts have been requested. PCH commented that Quidhampton was not the only village having problems, Tisbury was also in a similar position. She will raise at the next Area Board Meeting and feedback accordingly. **Action PCH.**
- iii) Application to LHFIFG to implement suggestions for road safety in the village is still with Cllr Thomas who, to date, has not had any response from Paul Shaddock. JT to copy in PCH on email correspondence and she will then move things on. **Action JT/PCH.**
- iv) HGV's driving through the village – see PCH report. Consider inviting the police to a parish council meeting to discuss whether or not they can do anything.

**69/24** **Village Maintenance**

- i) There had been no further progress on the removal of the phonebox. Cllr Rowley to update at next meeting.

**70/24** **Recreation Ground**

- i) Cllr Thomas confirmed in advance of the meeting that there was nothing of concern to report from the weekly playground checks. SS noted that the annual RoSPA inspection would be taking place this month. Report to be considered at next meeting.
- ii) SS confirmed there had been a bit of confusion with Grist and the bin emptying, but all bin locations have now be confirmed and the service is now running smoothly.

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**Finance**

- i) Cashflow and Payments report was unanimously approved. Cllr Cripps noted that he was doing some work on Google which meant that the Google Office invoices would be coming down in value soon.

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| CASH FLOW REPORT                          |        |                        |  |                 |
| Period: 17 July 2024 to 10 September 2024 |        |                        |  |                 |
| Date                                      | Method | Payee                  | Details  | Amount          |
| 30/07/2024                                | CHQ    | Bawdens                | Invoice 29744  | 71.06           |
| 31/07/2024                                | CHQ    | Paul Cripps            | Google office invoice July 24                            | 66.00           |
| 01/08/2024                                | S/O    | A J Stagg              | Clerks gross salary + office allowance July 24           | 323.56          |
| 24/08/2024                                | CHQ    | A J Stagg              | Reimbursement for wasps nest treatment CH Pest Solutions | 80.00           |
| 28/08/2024                                | CHQ    | Bawdens                | Invoice 29943 - Footpath Egham Place to Skew Road        | 151.51          |
| 28/08/2024                                | CHQ    | Bawdens                | Invoice 29944 - Footpath x2 cuts a year                  | 186.00          |
| 30/08/2024                                | CHQ    | Bawdens                | Invoice 29896  | 71.06           |
| 01/09/2024                                | S/O    | A J Stagg              | Clerks gross salary + office allowance Aug 24            | 323.56          |
| 24/09/2024                                | S/O    | Barford Settled Estate | Land rent 25/3/24 - 24/9/24                              | 55.00           |
| 10/09/2024                                | CHQ    | A J Stagg              | Expenses reimbursement for 2nd class stamps              | 6.80            |
| 10/09/2024                                | CHQ    | A J Stagg              | Backpay August/September £48.54 x 2                      | 97.08           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                              |        |                        |  | <b>1,431.63</b> |

- ii) Cllr Cripps confirmed that he had, at last, managed to gain limited access to the bank. He can now see things, but can't make payments etc, however he can add users. PC and SS to complete form to enable SS access.

**Action PC/SS**

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**Neighbourhood Plan**

- i) Cllr Rowley to provide update at next meeting as not present.

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**Village Emergency Plan**

- i) Cllr Peters reported that the Village Emergency Plan had been sent to Chris Edge. Any comments to be passed back to Chris. JP to look at feedback after her return from holiday and then bring to the next parish meeting. **Action JP.**

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**Governance**

- i) Cllr Martin is now helping to look after the website. Need to consider what changes we would like to make and what additional information to add. It may be useful to organise an extraordinary meeting to discuss this.
- ii) Cllr Cripps advised that he is currently working on google office to cull the accounts that we have on there. At the moment all old Councillors are still on there as we need to keep records for 7 years, however there is now an archiving feature available so PC has slowly been working on this, to reduce the number of accounts that we hold and therefore have to pay for. The filing system also needs some work.

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**Correspondence/AOB/Urgent matters/Round Table**

- Correspondence had been received from Pauline Donne with regards to the flood that flows down Locks Lane. She advised that she has reported it on MyWilts and stated it was due to the newly installed pavement/kerbing being too low meaning that road water bypasses the drain and flows down the lane, forming a river. She

mentioned that Ken Taylor, as Flood Warden, had also reported the matter on several occasions and not had any response.

It was agreed that the work on that section of the road had not been great and, although new gullies had been created they were not effective, even in light rain. Some of the gullies don't appear to go anywhere. SS to contact Danny Everett again to request a copy of the drain survey and copy PCH in so that she can ask him too. Residents in the lane have been asked if they would like gel sacs but there has not been any uptake. They should, however, only be needed in extreme weather. Locks Lane is an unadopted road so the council don't have any responsibility for it, and tax payers' money cannot be used towards any work on it. However PCH is concerned about the water that is coming off Lower Road and questioned whether the gullies are actually working. If there is not a functional drain there then it needs to be addressed. **Action SS.**

- Cllr Kershaw advised that Firework Night is taking place in the village this year on 9<sup>th</sup> November. Denese Rowley is organising it. The fireworks will be set off in the field which has the electricity pilon in it. The pub car park will be closed on that night.

**76/24      Next Parish Council Meeting**

The date of the next Quidhampton Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7:30pm at Quidhampton Village Hall.

Meeting ended 8.50pm.

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