

ANSTY PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Ansty Parish Council meeting held in St James's Church, Ansty
on 24th August 2021 at 6.30pm**

21.08.01 Apologies for Absence: Hannah Hoare, Judith Wilkinson, George Smith, Gail Norris, Peter & Jane Leece, Brian Hamshere

21.08.02 Present: Cllr Tim Martin (TM), Cllr Juliette Foy (JF), Cllr Louise Gooding (LG), Cllr Mark Norris (MN), Parish Clerk Julie Ann Murphy (JAM), Rob Wilkinson (RW), Anne Martin (AM), Chris Smith (CS), Pippa Bridge (PB), Rosie Paines (RP), Mathew Feltham (MF), Jon Gooding (JG), Mowenna Brewer

21.08.03 Declaration of Interest: - none

21.08.04 Parish Councillor Vacancy: Cllr TM: The Parish Council is one councillor short and therefore the parish council would like to co-opt a councillor. It is important to have a full complement, not just to have the village better represented, but in case existing councillors have to stand down, leaving the council with insufficient members to continue. Request to village for villagers to step forward.

21.08.05 Statements from the Floor: statements taken during the meeting, given the small numbers attending.

21.08.06 Approval of minutes of 3rd of June 2021 and matters arising: Previous minutes approved by councillors and signed off. Cllr TM: all live issues covered by current agenda.

21.08.07 Financials Income & expenditure since the last meeting: (Cllr TM):

Balance at 3rd June 2021	£15,970.20
Expenditure:	
- Clerk's salary (Jun,Jul,Aug)	£ 216.00
- Bauer Consumer med	£ 38.00 (to be refunded)
Total expenditure	£ 254.00
Income:	
- VAT recovery	£ 115.76
Total income	£ 153.76
Current balance	£15,831.96 (as bank statement)

21.08.08 Proposal to purchase new flags for the maypole and to consider improvements to the hoisting and flying of the flags: Cllr TM: Thought appropriate for the APC to purchase new flags rather than using the May Day fund, as the flags are flown all year and are not related to May Day. Also no May Day income over last two years. Agreed that new St George's flag and Union Jack flag should be purchased. Suggestion to purchase Wiltshire flag deferred for now. Safety aspects of securing flags discussed and decided a flag expert to be contacted for advice on the matter. Ideally the flags should fly at the very top of the pole and perhaps the weather vane could go on a metal pole at the top of the wooden pole.

21.08.09 Expenditure of CIL monies: Cllr TM: suggestions so far are: i) Reduce village speed limit to 20mph, ii) Gazebo/marquee for village functions, iii) something 'fun' and iiiii) land for community space. (PB) suggests making the Coombe one way discussed and dismissed as unworkable also community area discussed and dismissed. (Cllr JF) suggests signage stating 'narrow road' on the Coombe. (Cllr TM): Police now willing to come and look out for local repeat offenders on speeding and is a possibility. Confirmation is needed from Wiltshire Council that speed reduction to 20mph would meet infrastructure expense guidelines for CIL funds. Councillors to investigate further. There is likely to be some funds left over to use on something else.

21.08.10 Planning matters: Cllr TM:

- i) **New Barn House**, second barn - application refused.
- ii) **Horwood Farm Cottages No.1**- extension approved.
- iii) **Horwood Farm cottages No.2** - extension approved.
- iiii) **New Barn Farm** – shed and pagoda - approved.

Outstanding permissions:

Horwood Farm, change of use from redundant agricultural building to a mixed use of B1, B2 and B8. The proposal outlines conversion of fertilizer storage barn to car repairers - still awaiting decision.

New Barn Lodge, single storey extension out for consultation now. (Cllr LG): this is a grade 2 listed building and previous application in 2020 for a ground floor extension was turned down. This application extension is on the south side of building. It is a curved extension which maintains the enclosing wall concept and does not alter the original building. Comments from previous application have been considered by applicants. Villagers: Three submissions to APC prior to the meeting, two in support and one objection. Cllr LG suggested that a condition is included for the external materials to match the existing construction and samples to be approved by WC. Councillors agreed that a 'no objection' should be submitted, with a condition that the external materials match the existing materials and samples are approved by WC in advance of construction.

Other Planning Issues:

- i) **Quarry Farm:** remedial work still on going.
- ii) **APYO car park and temporary awning:** Despite conversations with APYO and assurances that an application for the car park would be submitted, no application has been made for the car park. This situation has been ongoing since the car park construction in 2020. Councillors agreed that a more formal position should be taken and the issue raised in writing with APYO, before raising with Wiltshire Council. An awning has more recently been erected at APYO and it was suggested from the floor consent would be needed if in place for more than 28 days. APC to write to APYO about the lack of an application for a car park and to investigate whether the awning also needs consent.
- iii) **New Barn Farm:** 3 non-compliance issues a) the landscaping only partly finished, b) the storage units not allocated to the dwellings, c) rubbish etc dumped on adjoining agricultural land. These issues raised with our Wiltshire Councillor Nabil Najjar. Awaiting update.

Station Works in Tisbury: no movement but the care home is probably going to be reduced in size but no formal confirmation yet. The consortium of local Parish Councils remain concerned about the impact on our local infrastructure.

21.08.11 Traffic Issues: Cllr TM:

- a) **SID** - recent data - July average speed shows 25 mph. 85% of cars go at 29 mph or less. Weekdays in one direction there are between 650 and 800 cars passing through the village in one direction. Less at the weekends.

b) **Hazardous parking by the Maypole** Cllr TM: APC received complaints about cars parked near the maypole causing obstruction to other road users, particularly when turning right into the Coombe. After discussion with some of those concerned the situation has improved. (MF): the Highway Code states you cannot park within 10 meters of a junction. It was agreed that further signage should be avoided if at all possible.

(CS): the mobile Library has struggled because of parked cars. (PB): suggests a welcome pack to new villagers with the ins and outs of living in Ansty and the benefits of a shared civility. Agreed by all it is up to the villagers to welcome new visitors and hopefully share their appreciation of Ansty. A welcome pack or letter is to be considered by councillors.

21.08.12 Best Kept Village - Cllr TM: We came third in the previous winners category. The winner had 91 points and Ansty 87. Thanks to Rob Wilkinson for all his work. (RW): invites all villagers to a celebration tea at APYO on September 26th 3.30-5.30pm. The cost is being covered by donations and at the meeting (JG) said the church would like to cover half the costs of the celebration tea. This kind offer as accepted.

21.08.13 Parish Steward: Cllr MN: the steward can fill in pot holes and can blow out drains but he cannot lift the drain gratings. There are simple straightforward jobs he can undertake. Any (simple) jobs can be directed to JAM Parish Clerk by email to be passed onto Cllr MN and then onto the steward.

21.08.14 Wessex Internet Update: Cllr TM: Now slipped to September. No further updates from Wessex and concerns that it seems there has been little, if any, discussions about cabling across peoples' land.

21.08.15 Footpaths: Cllr MN: we are trying to do the cutting in the most sensitive way possible. BKV comment highlighted this and Lyme's disease awareness if meadows are allowed to grow across paths. Also highlighted with the deer population in the area how dangerous that can be for walkers. Being bitten by a tick is not recommended and maintaining the footpaths is vital for that as well as all the other many reasons. (PB) disagrees with the need for every path to be cut and goes on to complain about the path across the pony field alongside the A30 being hazardous due to the ponies running towards walkers. APC to consider what action can be taken.

21.08.16 Website: Cllr TM: we are very grateful to Rob Wilkinson for offering to continue with the website following his proposed move out of the village, but on the understanding information is supplied to him for the website. (RW) appeals for youngsters to get involved. (Cllr LG): a request for involvement could go in the proposed welcome pack.

21.08.17 Date for next meeting: Wednesday 17th November

21.08.18 AOB: (Cllr TM):

i) Email from Margaret Thompson, there no longer seems to be a policy of directing lorries down different routes. Now all lorries seem to be directed through Ansty. More details requested.

ii) (PB): Dog walkers not picking up dog poo.

iii) (Cllr MN): branches obscuring the view coming down A30 left into Ansty turn, Wiltshire council to be contacted.

iv) Deer Cottage, on going concerns expressed about the adverse impact the landscaping works are having on neighbours and villagers over such a long period. Cllr TM said that they had been in touch with the owners on a number of occasions to relay those concerns and to try and establish when completion is expected to be achieved.

Meeting ends: 19:45

