



WEST DEAN
Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on
Monday 17th February 2025 at 19:00 at King George's Hall, West Dean.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

	In Attendance	Apologies	Absent
Councillor Higgins	✓		
Councillor J Camilleri	✓		
Councillor Seabrooke		✓	
Councillor M Camilleri		✓	
Councillor N Hiddleston		✓	
Councillor M Lee	✓		
Vacancy			

Also, in attendance:

Amanda Owen – Clerk, Wiltshire Councillor Richard Britton, Marie Stubbington – Test Valley Borough Council & three members of the public.

14/25	To receive Chair's opening remarks. Councillor Higgins welcomed everyone to the meeting.
15/25	To receive and accept apologies for absence. Apologies were RECEIVED and ACCEPTED from Councillor Seabrooke, Councillor M Camilleri & Councillor Hiddleston.
16/25	To receive declarations of interest relating to items on this agenda. No declarations of pecuniary interest were received.
17/25	To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20th January 2025. The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20 th January were signed as a correct record of the meeting.
18/25	Public Forum. None.
19/25	To receive reports from Wiltshire Councillor Richard Britton & Wiltshire Police. Councillor Britton addressed the meeting with regards to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- End of the third quarter sees a Wiltshire Council budget deficit of 1.7million.- Next Tuesday (18th February) sees full Council budget day, based on a 2.5% council tax increase and 2% social care levy increase, totalling 4.5%. The Gypsy and Traveller plan is also to be discussed on the same day.- Wiltshire Council generally entering a difficult phase with planning under new National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). Land supply is currently down to two years as opposed to the five required.- The Devolution of Wiltshire Council is not included within the first tranche. PC Ramsey's report can be found at APPENDIX A.
20/25	To receive updates with regards to: Glebe Farm River Group Glebe Farm Councillor J Camilleri addressed the meeting and advised the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Pending a response from Test Valley Borough Council with regards to consultation period for amended plans.- Draft S106 is still pending (the document was not dependant on the consultation period).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contacted Councillor McDonald, whom is keen to see movement on the position. He has addressed planning at TVBC himself. - Councillor Higgins attended the West Tytherley Parish Council, and noted their support of the Glebe Farm application. <p>River Group Neil Swift from Wessex River Trust visited last week, taking cross sections in order to produce the plans for environmental improvement which will be received in due course. If the plan goes ahead as agreed, work will commence in October. Noting that when plans are received, they will be circulated to relevant individuals. The Clerk reminded Councillor J Camilleri that the quotations were required to be sent to SSE to secure grant funding.</p>																								
21/25	<p>To discuss VE Day 80th anniversary celebrations and agree a funding solution. It was noted that the Parish Council are holding a 'Picnic on the Green' event on 10th May. Noting that the VE Day grant application was offered by Test Valley Borough Council, the Parish Council are not eligible to apply.</p>																								
22/25	<p>To note the updated West Dean Community Emergency Plan. The West Dean Community Emergency Plan was NOTED. It was noted that Councillor Higgins would respond to the Village Hall Committee with regards to their comments.</p>																								
23/25	<p>To note the financial situation. The current financial situation and the reconciliation of the bank balance were NOTED with the bank balance at 31st January 2025 being £18,507.24. The bank reconciliation can be found at APPENDIX B.</p>																								
24/25	<p>To approve the requests for payments for February. The payments as listed in the table below were APPROVED for payment. Proposed by Councillor Higgins, seconded by Councillor Lee. All members voted unanimously to accept this resolution.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="4" style="text-align: center;">February Payment Requests</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;">From</th> <th style="width: 40%;">Item</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Invoice Number</th> <th style="width: 20%;">Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Staff</td> <td>Salary</td> <td>February</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£839.79</td> </tr> <tr> <td>F Collier</td> <td>Wreath reimbursement</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">£50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>M Rowe</td> <td>Carols on the Green</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;">£50.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: right;">Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£939.79</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	February Payment Requests				From	Item	Invoice Number	Amount	Staff	Salary	February	£839.79	F Collier	Wreath reimbursement		£50.00	M Rowe	Carols on the Green		£50.00	Total			£939.79
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	<p>To consider the following planning application(s):</p>																								
25/25	<p>PL/2025/00386 T1 Monterey Cypress - Fell. Quill Cottage, 35 West Dean, Salisbury, SP5 1JQ. West Dean Parish Council has NO OBJECTION to this planning application. Proposed by Councillor Lee, seconded by Councillor J Camilleri. All members voted unanimously to accept this resolution.</p>																								
26/25	<p>To agree the date of the Parish Assembly. The date of the Parish Assembly was AGREED as Monday 19th May commencing at 19:00 with the Annual Meeting commencing afterwards.</p>																								
27/25	<p>To agree the date of the next meeting as Monday 17th March. The date of the next meeting was AGREED as Monday 17th March.</p>																								

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 19:52.

APPENDIX A



WILTSHIRE POLICE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

West Dean

February 2025

On the team

PC Kelvin RAMSEY 70855

PCSO John TAYLOR 9465

Sgt Susan MALKINSON 2775

Crimes and incidents

Wiltshire Police record crimes and incidents by the National Crime and incident recording standards. Not all incidents that one would consider a crime are necessarily classified as a crime for recording purposes.

NB- The statistics do not account for incidents that police respond to but do not need any follow up (Road traffic incidents, minor incidents of Anti-social behaviour)

Report for past 30 days:

All peaceful in West Dean! No crimes or ASB

APPENDIX B

WEST DEAN PARISH COUNCIL			
Bank Reconciliation for the Year 2024 / 25			
Opening Balance Treasurers Account at 01/04/2024	£1,755.73	Opening Balance Business Bank Instant at 01/04/2024	£12,301.69
Receipts 2024/25	16,700.00	Receipts 2024/25	20,228.12
Payments 2024/25	16,478.29	Payments 2024/25	16,000.00
Unpresented Cheques 2024/25			
Closing Balance Community Account 31/01/2025	£1,277.43	Closing Balance Community Instant Access 31/01/2025	£17,229.81
TOTAL BANK BALANCES	£18,507.24		