

Avebury Parish Council

Draft: minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Avebury Parish Council held on the 3 May 2022 at the Social Centre, High Street, Avebury SN8 1RF. (For adoption in May 2023).

In these minutes APC stands for Avebury Parish Council, ASOP for Avebury Solstice Operational Planning, ASSC for Avebury Sports and Social Club, BT for British Telecommunications, LHFIG for Local Highway & Footway Improvement Group, NT for National Trust, RoW for Rights of Way, WHS for World Heritage Site and WBVT for Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust.

Present: Councillors Mr Stephen Stacey (Chairman), Mrs Maggie Lewis (Vice-Chair), Mr Ben Butler, Mr Mike Daniel, Mr Robert Parker and Ms Zandria Service.

In attendance: Miss Liz Moore (Clerk) and Wiltshire Councillor Jane Davies.

Time started: 19:20

1. **Apologies:** Councillors Dr Mike Bedford, Mrs Donna Byatt and Mrs Lynzey Paradise.
2. **Election of Chairman and Vice Chairs:** the Clerk took the Chair and asked if there were any nominations for the role of Chairman. Mr Stephen Stacey was duly nominated by members of the Parish Council. The Clerk asked if he was prepared to stand as Chairman. He said he would but for a shorter term; probably until the end of the current calendar year. There were no other nominations and Cllr Stacey was elected Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Lewis, seconded by Cllr Service and carried unanimously. The Clerk asked if there were any nominations for the role of Vice Chair. Cllr Lewis said that she would be prepared to stand again as Vice Chair. It was understood that Cllr Bedford (although not present at the meeting), would also be willing to continue as a second Vice Chair. Cllr Lewis and Cllr Bedford were duly nominated to stand as Vice Chairs. Proposed by Cllr Daniel, seconded by Cllr Service and carried unanimously.

Cllr Stacey took the Chair.

3. **Minutes of AGM held on 18 May 2021:** unanimously agreed as an accurate record. Proposed by Cllr Daniel and seconded by Cllr Butler.
4. **Appointment of members of Committees, Sub-Committees and Parish Council representatives:**

- a. **APC's Planning Committee:** It was unanimously agreed that all members of the council remain members of the Planning Committee and that the Chairman of the council and Vice Chairs be appointed Chair and Vice Chairs of the Planning Committee, respectively.
- b. **APC's Transport Group:** it was unanimously agreed that Cllrs Stacey, Bedford, Butler and Parker be appointed as members, and that the following members of the public, previously members of the group, should be invited: Mrs Lynn Bennett-Nutt, Mrs Moya Brannan, Mrs Kate Fry, Mrs Angela Norman, Mrs Helen Ramsey and Mr Simon Vatcher.
- c. **Community Flood Group:** it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Lewis remain the nominated representative with a member of the public, Mrs Judy Farthing as Civil Emergency Volunteer.
- d. **Wi-Fi and Broadband:** it was agreed that due to BT Group continuing to roll out full fibre broadband in the Parish, there was no need for a representative.
- e. **Avebury Sacred Sites Forum (ASSF) and Avebury Solstice Operational Planning Meeting (ASSOP):** it was unanimously agreed that Cllrs Lewis and Service be the nominated representatives.
- f. **Avebury WHS Steering Committee:** it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Byatt be the nominated representative for the Avebury WHS Steering Committee.
- g. **Footpaths:** it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Butler be appointed Footpath Councillor.
- h. **Play area:** it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Paradise (although not present at the meeting) remain Play Area Councillor.
- i. **Marlborough Area Board (MAB):** it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Lewis be the nominated representative for the MAB.
- j. **Community Area Transport Group (CATG):** it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Parker be the nominated representative. Jane Davies (Wiltshire Councillor) advised that CATG had recently been renamed Local Highway & Footway Improvement Group (LHFIG), reflecting the addition of RoW to the remit of the group, whose budget was expected to be doubled.
- k. **Police:** it was unanimously agreed that Cllr Paradise continue to be the nominated representative for the Police.

The above nominations under item 4 a-k were proposed by Cllr Lewis, seconded by Cllr Service and carried unanimously.

5. Appointment of representatives to other bodies:

- a. **Social Centre trustees:** Cllr Lewis agreed to remain APC's representative.
- b. **Sports Field representatives on ASSC:** Cllr Paradise and Cllr Lewis agreed to remain APC's representatives.
- c. **National Trust:** Cllr Stacey agreed to remain APC's representative.
- d. **RoW combined Parishes working group:** Cllr Stacey and Cllr Lewis agreed to remain APC's representatives.

The above nominations under item 5 a-d were proposed by Cllr Daniel, seconded by Cllr Butler and carried unanimously.

6. Payment of annual subscriptions

It was agreed that annual subscriptions or donations be made during 2022/23 to:

- a. Wiltshire Association of Local Councils
- b. Community First
- c. Upper Kennet News
- d. Information Commissioner (by direct debit)
- e. CPRE, the countryside charity (by direct debit)
- f. The Friends of the Ridgeway (by standing order on 1 January each year)
- g. WBVT

Proposed by Cllr Lewis, seconded by Cllr Parker and carried unanimously.

Meeting closed at 19:40