

PATNEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 16 May 2024 at 7.00pm at Manor Farm House, Manor Farm Lane, Patney, and via Teams

Present:

Patricia Alsop	(PA)	Chairman
Gino Zabeo	(GZ)	Parish Councillor
Simon Guest	(SG)	Parish Councillor
Steve Welford	(SW)	Parish Councillor & Clerk
Heather Cross		

1. Appointment of Chairman
 - PA is re-elected for 2024/25, proposed by SW and seconded by GZ
2. Apologies for absence
 - Received from Paul Oatway
3. Minutes of Meeting held on 21 March 2024 and Matters Arising
 - The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed
4. Co-Option of new Parish Councillor
 - Heather Cross was co-opted onto the Parish Council as a parish councillor. SW to notify Wiltshire Council (WC), and update contact list
5. Finance Report, Statement of Accounts 2023/24 and AGAR review
 - Movements since the meeting on 21 March 2024 are instant access interest of £2.82; income received was £1,500 (WC Precept); payments made were £143.86 (Heart Internet website hosting), £33.00 (Ammi Flowers)
 - Bank balances on 16 May 2024
 - Lloyds Bank: £3,625.99, comprising £2,281.72 in current account, £1,344.27 in instant access account
 - Cambridge Building Society 'Council Saver' account: £5,000
 - Total: £8,625.99
 - Statement of Accounts 2023/24 (**to 31 March 2024**)
 - Income £1,662.00, expenditure £3,110.35, balance -£1,448.35
 - Bank balances: Lloyds Bank: £2,300.03, Cambridge BS: £5,000; total: £7,300.03
 - Variance from 2022/23: income +£499.92, expenditure +£1,004.68, bank balance -£948.16
 - The accounts were approved, and signed by PA
 - Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) review
 - The AGAR documents were reviewed & approved, and signed by PA
 - SW will provide the documents for internal audit to Neville Burrell, and submit to the external auditors by 01 July
6. Planning Applications
 - PL/2024/02577 – 23 Woodland Road, Patney continues to be under consultation
7. Parish Steward
 - Nothing to report
8. Defibrillator

- GZ replaced pads; a new set is expected to be delivered by August
- GZ will send a reminder of the proposed training date for 2024; there are currently insufficient numbers to hold a training session

9. Highways & Rights of Way

- Drains
 - The silted-up drains on the village green and along MFL were cleared on 3rd May by the WC Discretionary Gully Service. We don't yet have the schedule for their next visit to this area; SW will ensure the drains at the north end of WR are on the list
- Traffic survey
 - We received the results of the recent traffic survey on 14th May; the survey was conducted between 15-21st April on WR near the entrance to Home Farm, and the results can be found on the Parish Council website [here](#).
[<http://www.patney.net/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/052-023-C51-Woodland-Road-Patney-SUMMARY.pdf>]

The main observations are:

- The average vehicle speed recorded over this period was around 24mph, although 10.23% of vehicles exceeded 30mph. (When the survey was last done in 2019, this percentage was 11%)
- The 85% percentile speed was 29mph; this is the speed at or below which 85% of the traffic is travelling and is used nationally as a threshold for enforcement interventions; for a 30mph limit the threshold is 35.1mph, and so the data does not trigger any Wiltshire Council intervention; the data shows that 98.3% of vehicles were below this threshold.
- The data is virtually identical to the survey carried out in 2019. The graph also shows a large increase in vehicles travelling north through the village during the evenings of 18-19th April; this is attributable to the diversion off the A342 because of the overnight road closure for resurfacing which started on 17th April; this increase in traffic has not had any significant impact on the data relative to the 2019 survey.

The Parish Council reviewed the data, and decided to discuss the topic again at its next meeting on 2nd October in light of any additional data and comments. If you want to comment on this, please email patneyparishcouncil@outlook.com; this is a new email address which is forwarded to all Parish Councillors

10. Dates of future meetings

- The next PPC meeting is scheduled for 2nd October 2024

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 8.25pm.

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Patricia Alsop, Chairman