

BAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
ON 8TH JANUARY 2025 AT 7PM

PRESENT: Cllrs J Allinson (in the chair), D Clarke, G Attar, A Ogg, G Sone.
 IN ATTENDANCE: C Street (Clerk), District Cllr A Smith, County Cllr T Fenton.

1/2025	<u>Co-option:</u> Gary Sone was co-opted onto the parish council.																																					
2/2025	<u>Apologies for absence:</u> The following apologies were accepted : Cllrs S McLaren, R Smith, P Foster, A Cutler, District Cllr A Wray.																																					
3/2025	<u>Variation of order of business:</u> None																																					
4/2025	<u>Declarations of interest:</u> None																																					
5/2025	<u>County and District Councillors' reports & questions:</u> <u>County Council:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget consultation is now closed. • Cabinet meeting to be held to approve response to devolution proposal by government. Thames Valley mayor proposal to be decided. <u>District Council:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Flood Prevention meeting to be held at the end of the month. • Councillor surgeries to carry on into the new year. • Funding to push forward affordable housing schemes in the district. 																																					
6/2025	<u>Confirmation of minutes:</u> The minutes of the meeting held on 11 th December 2024 were signed as a true record.																																					
7/2025	<u>Actions Update:</u> See appended list for outstanding actions from previous meeting/s.																																					
8/2025	<u>Public participation:</u> None																																					
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The following payments for the Recreation Ground Development were approved:

Glanville	Civil engineering design stage	£6,450.00
John Welch & Stammers	Land registry fee	£20 PAID
SKR Lighting	Lighting design report 50% and the site survey	3,821.03

The following pre-paid debit card transactions were approved: None

The following direct debits and standing orders were noted:

CASTLE WATER £21.37 & £119.89; EDF Energy (gas) £1,727.74; LLOYDS BANK £244.80; VODAFONE LTD £42.08; YU Energy Retail (elec) £260.27; West Oxon DC rates £308.00, £96.00, £62.00

11/2025	<u>Allotments</u> : Nothing to report.
12/2025	<u>Town Hall</u> : Nothing to report .
13/2025	<u>The Old School Community Centre</u> : Nothing to report.
14/2025	<u>Cemetery</u> : Chris Smith offered to continue to open cemetery gates and put the bins out. This was agreed.
15/2025	<p><u>Highways, Trees, Footpaths and Floods</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smiley Face Sign has been ordered. Speed Watch team suggest Aston Road would be the preferred location. Trees: Permission has been granted for the work in the conservation area. Three quotations have been received for work in the Cemetery and in the village - the quote for £1950 + VAT was agreed. This work includes the coppicing of the Western line of wild plum trees and some work on 4 Lime Trees in the Cemetery and the removal of a few dead or dying trees in the Pieces Path/Chetwynd Mead area. Footpaths. The “temporary” red safety barrier next to the ditch between Ampney Orchard and Chetwynd Mead is still in place after several years. It was reported on FixmyStreet. Ted Fenton is investigating. Flooding: river levels have returned to normal over the month.
16/2025	<u>Mercury Play Park</u> : Replacement equipment is pending, however the hole for the equipment has been covered by rubber matting. To be investigated.
17/2025	<u>Lengthsman update</u> : No update.
18/2025	<u>Committee meeting updates</u> : HR meeting was held to discuss Xmas closure arrangements.
19/2025	<u>Correspondence</u> : None
20/2025	<p><u>Essential village matters (received after agenda was set)</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paving slabs in square at The Pieces are all broken and need to be pointed out to the County Highways representative during the walkaround. A van (without MOT) dumped on Bridge Street for 5 weeks is to be reported to the police and County Council.
21/2025	<p><u>Recreation Ground Development Project update</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EARLY WORKS: Following completion of the Ground Investigation the engineers have completed the pad foundation design for the containers. This is now being quoted for construction along with the adjacent apron and installation of the new gates and footpath to the northern land. The gates have been supplied and quotes are being updated for the containers (no increase) and the electrical feed. Cllr R Smith is writing to the relevant clubs to say there will be a charge for the use of the new storage facilities. Timescale is now weather dependant.

- SKATEPARK: Two quotes are being obtained to deliver this as a standalone Design and Build project. The Committee have agreed to apply for all the monies for this advance project from the S106 monies which must be submitted by 19th March 2025. The complexity of achieving grants within that timescale is impractical and it means we do not need to demonstrate match funding if we were to apply for only part funding.
The location of the skatepark is defined by the flood zone and the subsequent planning consent. Cllr Ogg to liaise with ASA to review the effect on the location of the archery range in line with Archery GB minimum requirements. Cllr Ogg also to make contact with the skate park rep on the Rec Ground user group.
- MUGA AND PADEL COURT: The above allows us to update the Phase 1 cost budget to use in the main project grant and loan applications. The reduced value excluding the skatepark gives more flexibility in these applications. We will also remove the cost of refurbishing the existing tennis courts from the cost plan as these are a future Council liability which cannot be drawn from S106 monies. It is possible that income from the Padel court could subsidise this. The design team are instructed to progress and utilities and lighting surveys are being completed this week.
- GRANT AND LOAN APPLICATIONS: R McBrien is collating the list of possible funding opportunities and progressing information required for registration and applications.

22/2025 Online Security: A password manager to be implemented on clerk's laptop. Agreed to use Nordpass.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm. The next meeting is Wednesday 12th February 2024.

Signed..... Dated.....

ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING/S:

Arts Committee S106 to be requested now quotes and designs have been received.	JA/AC
Taylor Wimpey re. village entrance planters. ON GOING.	SM
Online cemetery map to be checked. ON GOING as is weather dependant.	JA Clerk
Electric charging points enquiries. ON GOING	GA
FB post re town twinning. ON GOING	JA
Shingle to be laid on footpaths now. ON GOING	Lengthsman
Contact management company at Cala Homes to install noticeboard	PF
Grass Cutting tender. ON GOING	DC
Standing Orders update	Clerk

NEW ACTIONS FROM THIS MEETING:

Install Nordpass password manager	Clerk
Report broken slabs at The Pieces to Highways walkaround	JA
Report abandoned van on Bridge Street.	GA

