

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CALNE WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT LANSDOWNE HALL, DERRY HILL
MONDAY 10th MARCH 2025

CALNE WITHOUT COUNCILLOR ATTENDANCE

Present (P): Apologies (A): Did Not Attend (X)

John Barnes (Chair)	P	John Armstrong	A	Lucy Campbell Rogers	A
Pauline Crane	P	Sue Deedigan	P	Rob Hislop	P
Jurgen Kronig	P	Bruce MacInnes	P		
Doug Price	P	Ioan Rees	A	Keith Robbins	P
Andrew Turton	P	Philippa Todd	P		

Wiltshire Council Unitary Councillor (Calne South) Sam Pearce-Kearney attended.
Wiltshire Council Unitary Councillor (Calne Rural) Ashley O'Neill attended.

528/25 Apologies

To receive apologies.

Apologies were received from Cllr Lucy Campbell Rogers, Cllr Ioan Rees and Cllr John Armstrong

It was unanimously resolved to accept the apologies and the reasons for the absence.

529/25 Public participation/ Correspondence

529.1/25 Public participation

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Committee.

No member of the public present wished to speak to the meeting.

529.2/25 Correspondence

For the Clerk to report any correspondence not circulated.

Nothing additional.

530/25. Declarations of Interest

Declarations from Councillors of any disclosable pecuniary interest (Standing Orders 13b) or other interest (Standing Orders 13c) in respect of matters being considered by the Council.

Cllr John Barnes noted a declaration of interest in planning application PL/2025/01615 and PL/2025/01847.

531/25. Chairman Announcements

The chairman noted that we are entering pre election period. 11 March to 2nd May. Pre election publication rules will apply.

532/25. Minutes

Recommendation: That the Committee approve the [Minutes](#) of the meeting held on Monday 10th February 2025 as a true and fair reflection of the motions agreed by the Committee and the discussion that took place and that these be signed by the Chairman as such.

It was resolved by majority that the minutes were a true and fair reflection of the meeting.

533/25. Clerk Report

For the clerk to update on actions noted in the previous month's minutes.

Tomorrow enter pre election period.

Council tax bills have gone out, may get comments about 143% increase in our precept, remember, same services less people to pay for it, and there has been no rise to our side of the precept for 4 years.

Remind everyone if they want to still be a councillor after May 1st they must complete nomination papers.

534/25. Accounts

534.1/25 Payments

Recommendation that the following payments be approved:

Oakford IS	Business basic licence x 3	£230.72 (including vat)
Derry Hill and Studley Fete	Payment for pitch	£20
RPE Contractors Ltd	Installation of Pewsham Defibrillator	£264 (including vat)

And any other payments received since the issue of the agenda.

It was unanimously resolved to approve the payments.

534.2/25 Balance and Expenditure

To consider and approve the [balance and expenditure](#) for the period ending 28th February 2025 Report circulated.

Recommendation: That the Council approves the balance and expenditure for the period ending 28th February 2025.

It was unanimously resolved to approve the report.

535/25. Planning

To consider the planning applications currently out for consultation. List below.

PL/2024/11683 Retrospective application for garden room to facilitate two home working	The Granary, Church Road, Derry Hill, Calne, Wilts, SN11 9NR
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offices, a gym and storage space as a replacement for existing sheds	https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000BgAmD
<i>It was unanimously resolved that the council had no objections to the application.</i>	
PL/2024/11497 PL/2024/10150 Listed building consent (Alt/Ext) Demolition and replacement of existing conservatory with a single story extension. Demolition and replacement of existing single garage, replacing with a double garage.	108 Norley Lane, Studley, Calne, SN11 9LN https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000BUJdB https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000AcXd7
<i>It was unanimously resolved that the parish council supported the application as the application seeks to replace existing unsightly modern structure which are in poor repair and will be an enhancement to the building.</i>	
PL/2025/01209 PL/2025/01471 Listed building consent (Alt/Ext) Retention of the temporary security hoarding and safety netting around the foot of the Lansdowne Monument.	Lansdowne Monument, Main Road, Cherhill https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000CYq0T
<p>The councillors discussed the recent history of the site and the recent standards of the monument.</p> <p>Proposal; Support application due to the overriding health and safety issues, express disappointment that its necessary as the work has not been completed already. Confirm need to keep protective screen/netting at all times, and complete within three years. Request to report back regularly and put in necessary resources to complete within the three year period.</p> <p><i>It was resolved by majority to support the application and include the information in the proposal.</i></p>	
PL/2025/01615 PL/2025/01847 Listed building consent (Alt/Ext)	12 Old Derry Hill, Calne, SN11 9PJ https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000CrvlP

Removal of existing oil tank from front garden. Installation of 8.5 kW air source heat pump to rear property and connecting pipework. Internal works: Installation of slimline heat pump tank and immersion heater, new radiators to hall and kitchen extension and replacement radiators to living room and bathroom, servicing and replacement of thermostatic valves on retained radiators, modifications to plumbing, removal of existing hot water cylinder and oil boiler.	https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000D3h0v
<p>As he had declared an interest in this application Cllr Barnes left the meeting while it was discussed.</p> <p>It was noted that the council has supported other heat pumps and that this proposal is in line with the Neighbourhood plan which encourages sustainable heating.</p> <p>Proposal to support- goes with council eco wants meets the neighbourhood plan and design guide.</p> <p><i>It was resolved by majority to support the application with reference to the neighbourhood plan.</i></p>	
PL/2025/01750 Four metre by four metre open sided oak garden gazebo with slate roof to match existing house.	Bencroft View House, Studley Hill, Studley, Calne, SN11 9NL https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000CxdHl
<i>It was unanimously resolved that the parish council had no objection to the application.</i>	
PL/2025/01906 Proposed Front Extension	8 Lansdowne Crescent, Derry Hill, Calne, SN11 9NT https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/planning-application/a0iQ300000D4sf3
<p>The councillors discussed the application, it was noted that it was large, not in keeping with the other properties and did not comply with the neighbourhood plan.</p> <p>It was noted that the proposals increase the ground floor footprint by 50% out the front with no architectural merit., The proposal conflicts with the Neighbourhood Plan Design Code Section DC.04.4d and Wiltshire council core policy 57.</p>	

It was unanimously resolved to object to the application referencing Wiltshire council core policy 57 and the neighbourhood plan policy BE1 and design guide DC.04.4d.

536/25. Update from Neighbourhood Plan,

To receive a verbal update on the progress of the neighbourhood plan.

It was reported that the CCNP passed by referendum, 92%, 13% turnout, and we now have an excellent neighbourhood plan in place.

Commend the amount of work from everyone involved.

A training synopsis is being developed to train new councillors that are elected in May 25.

537/25. Stockley Hollow

To consider the attached [report](#).

The councillors discussed the state of Stockley Hollow and the issues that this presented. They also discussed the limitations of what could be done and what other communities with similar situations did to rectify the problems.

Cllr Pearce Kearney (Wiltshire Council) – stated that Cllr Nic Puntis (Wiltshire Council) is going to meet on site and see the situation. It was noted that Wiltshire council offered scalplings/planings a while ago not yet happened.

Actions; SPK to chase Wiltshire Council for planings for the site.

538/25. Improvement works to CALW 67

To consider the attached [report](#).

Recommendation; the Council approves funding of up to £350 for materials for further improvement to the flight of steps linking Old Derry Hill with the main village.

Budget; Equipment and Facility Maintenance (precept)

Power; Highways Act 1980 s43, 50

It was unanimously resolved to approve the £350 for materials for works to CALW67.

There was a further discussion about a fence close to the steps that was in need of repair. It was noted that the owners of the house would be contacted.

539/25. Broadband rollout

To consider the attached [report](#).

Recommendation; the Council nominates a willing Councillor to track plans for the further delivery of broadband provision to the parish, and to provide regular updates to residents.

Cllr Ashley O'Neill (Wiltshire Council) – Informed the meeting that he has chased this issue again following last meeting, Openreach vans have been up to Nocketts Hill and the postcode is now in the build plan, should all be covered following latest build plan.

There was a discussion about the digital voice roll out which would mean that there is no phone line when there is no broadband.

Phones that rely on WIFI calling, if there is a power cut no phonelines, cant get in touch with emergency services.

AON – Digital voice update, BT required to provide battery back up for vulnerable customers, those not vulnerable available on a one off payment basis. Think something is coming on this. Battery back up is the key to these systems.

Councillor takes on broadband/digital voice role; JB to volunteer.

Recommendation; the Council nominates a willing Councillor to track plans for the further delivery of broadband provision and wider issues of digital connectivity. to the parish, and to provide regular updates to residents.

It was unanimously resolved to nominate Cllr Barnes as a volunteer to track plans for the further delivery of broadband and the wider issues of digital connectivity.

540/25. VE day road closure

To consider the attached [report](#)

Recommendation; the Council arranges for the closure of Church Road / Studley Lane from the Church to the junction with the A4, for 10am to 11am on Sunday 11th March, at an estimated cost of £976 plus VAT. As this hasn't been budgeted for as part of next year's Public Participation Budget, it is recommended that the value be transferred across from the £5,000 provision for community groups.

Budget; Public Participation and exhibitions

Power; Road Traffic Act Regulations 1984 s72

It was noted that this request was 20% of grant funding in one activity. The plans for the event were discussed.

It was noted that this was an important part of our heritage and was important to show support to the visit.

There was a discussion about if the road closure was necessary for the event. The parish clerk advised that for this event to happen safely the road closure was essential.

Proposal; the Council arranges for the closure of Church Road / Studley Lane from the Church to the junction with the A4, for 10am to 11am on Sunday 11th May, at an estimated cost of £976 plus VAT. As this hasn't been budgeted for as part of next year's Public Participation Budget, it is recommended that the value be transferred across from the £5,000 provision for community groups.

It was resolved by majority to arrange the road closure for to support the VE day commemorative event on Sunday 11th May 2025.

541/25. Quote for bus shelter cleaning.

To consider the attached [report](#).

Recommendation; The Council approve the employment of a company to clean the bus shelters and to consider the quotes and select the company to be employed.

Budget; Equipment and Facility Maintenance

Power; Local Government (Miscellaneous provisions) Act 1953 s4

Proposal set a budget for £60 and employ the company that will meet the price with the Calne company being the preference.

It was unanimously resolved to set a budget of £60 and employ the company that will meet the price with the Calne based company being the preference.

542/25. Great British spring clean 2025.

To discuss plans for the Great British Spring Clean 21st March – 6th April.

Plans for the spring clean were discussed, it was acknowledged that there is a large clean up for Derry Hill and Studley planned just before the Best Kept Village voting in May. Efforts for the Great British Spring Clean would therefore be focussed on Pewsham, Sandy Lane and Calstone.

543/25. Update on installation of play equipment

To receive a verbal update on the installation of play equipment on Petty Acre.

Councillor Todd noted that the play equipment had been installed and opened and was being well used. PT play equipment installed and open and kids loving it. Petty acre is now alive with kids and not just on the equipment.

544/25. Funding request from inSPIRE magazine.

To consider the [funding request](#) from inSPIRE magazine.

Recommendation; that the Council consider the request for £400 funding.

Budget; public participation

Power; Local Government Act 1972, S142(1A)

Councillors discussed the request and the positives of supporting it. It was noted that the publication was well supported in Derry Hill and Studley.

It was queried if the request should be funded out of this financial year or the next when the new parish council as started work.

Proposal; to support the request and provide the £400 requested out of this years budget
4 voted in favour, 4 voted against with two abstentions.

Cllr Barnes as chair of the meeting used his casting vote to vote against the proposal.

It was resolved by majority to not provide the funding request out of the 24/25 budget.

Proposal to support the request and provide the £400 payment made out of 25/26 budget.

It was resolved by majority to support the request and defer the payment until the next financial year.

545/25. Consideration of New Logo for Derry Hill & Studley Parish Council

To consider the attached [report](#).

Request; Councillors consider and discuss the logos and identify the preferred option for final styling and implementation.

There was significant discussion about the branding process and the options provided. There was a suggestion that the decision could be deferred and left to the new councillors. The parish clerk reminded the councillors that they had made a resolution to complete the branding exercise for implementation on 1st May 2025.

Proposal; to defer the decision of the new branding to the new councillors.

Four voted in favour, Four against with two abstentions.

Cllr Barnes as chairman of the meeting used his casting vote to vote against the proposal.

It was resolved by majority not to defer the decision about branding to the new council.

Proposal; It was proposed that subject to the text being tidied up and aligned around the circle, to use the blue circled design with Candra bold text for the official logo of Derry Hill and Studley Parish Council.

Four voted in favour, Four voted against with two abstentions.

Cllr Barnes as chairman of the meeting used his casting vote to vote for the proposal.

It was resolved by the majority to use the blue circled design with Candra Bold Text for the official logo of Derry Hill and Studley Parish Council.

546/25. To agree the time and date of next meeting.

Monday 14th April 2025 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 21.25