

Abbots Ripton Parish Council

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A Meeting of Abbots Ripton Parish Council¹ held on Tuesday 30th January at 7.30pm at:
Abbots Ripton Village Hall, Abbots Ripton, Huntingdon PE28 2PF

Present; Steven Brown (SB – Vice Chairman), Colin Miller (CM), Victoria Wilson (VW), Geoff Richardson (GR), Samantha Sharp (SS – Clerk and RFO), Simon Bywater – District Councillor

Members: 6 Quorum: 3

MINUTES

0068/01-24 To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Cllr Hemsley and Cllr Carter – Accepted

District Councillor Martin

County Councillor Corney

0069/01-24 To receive Disclosable Interests Declarations.

Members of the Council are subject to the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interest) Regulations 2012. All dispensation requests must be made to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

CM – Abbots Ripton Estate

0070/01-24 Public participation.

To allow up to 10 minutes (2 minutes per person) for any members of the public and councillors declaring the existence and nature of a prejudicial interest to address the meeting in relation to the business on this agenda.

No public present

0071/01-24 Reports from District and County Councillors

£5 increase on band D properties.

Increase expected across the board who will be opting for a 5%.

Early bird discount for the green bin emptying service from April 2024.

Increase to £36 for bus service initiative.

0072/01-24 Appointments to Outside Bodies – Councillor Reports

0072/01-24.1 Village Hall

¹Local Government Act 1972, schedule 12, paragraph 7 (2).

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Cllr Wilson provided a full report on the recent changes to the Village Hall committee. Extra ordinary meeting held recently. Paul Kirkwood now takes the role of Chairman. Number of volunteers came forward to support the committee ad hoc. Committee meeting scheduled for late February 2024.

0072/01-24.2 Flood Forum

Support given to local Parishes – Woodwalton, but the Estate supported the Parish to resolve the local blocked drains.

0072/01-24.3 Alconbury Weald

Nothing to report

0072/01-24.4 Speedwatch

Cllr Carter wasn't present during the meeting to give a verbal report.

0072/01-24.5 Health and Safety Matters

Cllr Hemsley wasn't present during the meeting to give a verbal report.

0073/01-24 To approve minutes of the meeting on 5th December 2023.

The minutes were circulated amongst the Councillors prior to the meeting to ensure this is a true and accurate representation of the meetings.

VW Proposed

CM Seconded

All in favour

RESOLVED

0074/01-24 Matters arising from minutes of 5th December 2023.

0074/01-24.1 Street Light for Station Road

Ongoing for the Clerk and Cllr Carter.

0074/01-24.2 County Broadband – Installation of equipment

Email sent from Cllr Hemsley requesting a £5,000.00 rental fee.

0074/01-24.3 Website and Email Addresses for Councillors

Website continues to be an ongoing project for the Clerk.

0074/01-24.4 20mph Zoning Application

Cllr Wilson to lead this application with the Clerk. Researching local successful applications.

0075/01-24 Finance

0075/01-24.1 To approve accounts for payment

No invoices to be paid at this time.

0075/01-24.2 Monthly bank reconciliations

Instant Access - £50,128.08

Current Account - £1,624.23

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0076/01-24 Correspondence and Communications

Cambridgeshire County Council - installation of school signs on north of Station Road near Doverhouse Wood, and another to the south of Station Road near Rectory Lane, as part of the 22/23 Local Highway Improvement scheduled for February 5th, 2024.

Resident – request for clarification on the resolution following item **0062/12-23** on 5th December 2023. Further request that should this item be revisited, they are notified.

0077/01-24 Matters as agenda items for future consideration

No decision can be made under this item²

Zebra crossing consultation information.

2026 – 150 year anniversary of the train crash in the village of Abbots Ripton.

Have a memorial stone cross with story board – rough location

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0078/01-24 To resolve the dates of the next Parish Council meetings.

- Tuesday 19th March 2024 – 1930 (Annual Meeting of the Parish)
- Tuesday 21st May 2024 – 1930 (Annual Council Meeting)

Meeting Closed - 2040

² Local Government Act 1972, s12 10(2) (b)