

WOOTTON ST LAWRENCE WITH RAMSDELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 22nd September 2025 at Ramsdell Village Hall, 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Sarah Curtis, Chairman
Cllr Jane James, Cllr Martin Schimmer,
Cllr Greg Child, Kirsty Shaw, Clerk
Cllr Simon Minas-Bound,
Two members of the public

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr Jenny Englefield.

2. Register of Interests

There were no other updates to the register of interests.

3. Declarations of Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th July 2025 were agreed and signed by the Chair.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising. It was, however, noted that the planning application for two houses on the old Ramsdell Village Hall site had been approved.

6. County Councillor's Report

Information from the County Councillor has been shared via email to the Parish Councillors.

7. Feedback from Urban and Civic Presentation

Cllr Greg Child was due to attend a presentation, unfortunately, he was unable to attend but received feedback from others who attended. There was lots of information about the wildlife that will live around the Manydown area. The plan for the Country Park is still vague but they will be consulting with the public. The archaeological dig found Saxon and Roman items but there is nothing that will stop the housing but a licence to move the artefacts will be sought.

The Chairman noted the Parish Council had a meeting with the Manydown Rural Company which was useful and they would like to have regular meetings.

8. Police Report

No report was received from the Police. The solar panel has been stolen from the speed indicator device in Ramsdell, this was reported to the Police. There has been some anti-social behaviour with people using quad bikes in Wootton St Lawrence.

It had been reported that a driver backed into another vehicle on the A339. The registration plate was noted but the driver drove off.

9. Play Area Updates

There were no updates.

10. Borough Councillor's Report

Cllr Minas-Bound advised the draft Local Plan has been published. There aren't any particularly difficult sites in the villages but there are more on the other side of Basingstoke.

There have been reports that some areas have not received the new food waste bins. This will need to be reported to waste@basingstoke.gov.uk

11. Lengthsman's Scheme

The funds are now available for the financial year 25-26. The Lengthsman has submitted a quote for wood chip for £5300 at Ramsdell play area. There was discussion if wood chip was needed to help with the flooding at the play area. The Clerk will email the play area inspection team at BDBC. If wood chip is needed then further quotes will be sought.

12. Highways

The solar panel for the speed indicator device in Ramsdell was stolen. The batteries can be charged and then placed back on the SID. Cllr Childs highlighted the idea of getting the SID was to report the findings to the Police about speeding. There was a Police speed van in Heath End Road recently. The posts for the SID in Wootton St Lawrence will be fitted in the next couple of weeks.

It was noted some potholes had been filled in the villages recently.

The entrance to the new houses in Charter Alley has caused the road to be closed. The road which has been closed between the stone masons and Wootton St Lawrence has now opened again.

The hedges in Wootton St Lawrence need to be cut back. It was asked if Manydown are approached to do this. Cllr Minas-Bound advised they did say they would help.

13. Update Ramsdell Recreation Ground and Cricket Pavilion

The land registry application has been submitted and work is continuing on the lease for the cricket pavilion. A planning application will need to be sought for the new pavilion, Cllr Minas-Bound suggested there may have been a planning application submitted for the old pavilion.

14. Financial Matters

14.1 The financial statements as at the end of July and August and the bank statements were agreed.

14.2 The following payments have been made online via bank transfer since the last meeting:

Elan City – Speed Indicator Device - £3000

Do the Numbers – Internal Audit - £260

The Ramsdell Church – Hall Hire - £66.00

BDBC – Play Area Inspections - £654.36

Lloyds – Service Charges - £4.25

Kirsty Shaw – Pay and HMRC - £384.46

Vision ICT – website hosting and support – £225.76

Ramsdell Cricket Club – Grass Cutting - £1600

Lamb Brooks – Lease for cricket pavilion deposit - £1000
Lloyds – Services Charges £4.25
Vision ICT – New email addresses - £56.02
Lamb Brooks – Final payment for land registration - £1998
Simmons and Sons – Land registry compliant plan - £412.80
BDO LLP – External Audit - £252

There was a total of £76,712.19 in the bank at the end of August.

The following payments were approved and will be paid online via bank transfer:

Clerk pay and HMRC - £349.86
Lloyds Bank Charges - £4.25
Zurich Insurance – Insurance - £777.01
The Ramsdell Church – Hall Hire - £66.00

The residents of Wootton St Lawrence have been asked what they think the CIL funds could be spent on. The suggested is the church path needs to be re-surfaced. Although this is on the church property the path is widely used by the community to gain access to the meadow. Cllr Minas-Bound suggested contacting planning to confirm CIL can be used for this.

Ramsell Village Hall would like to extend the path to make the hall more accessible for wheelchair users. Another suggestion is the entrance to the cricket ground, there is a dip in the road.

14.3 To agree the insurance premium for 2025-26

The insurance premium was agreed.

14.4 External Audit Update

The external audit has been completed with only one advisory with regards to rounding up. The rounding up caused £1 discrepancy with the accounts.

15. Open Forum

There were no comments made.

16. Planning Applications (please refer to BDBC website or click on the links below)

To receive and discuss planning applications. The Parish Council comments can be found on Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council website or click on the links below.

- [Demolition of existing detached garage and erection of new timber double garage](#)

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[Erection of a self build dwelling with a detached garage/ log store](#)



Plantation Cottage Deans Lane Charter Alley Hampshire

Ref. No: 25/01640/FUL | Received: Thu 03 Jul 2025 | Validated: Thu 03 Jul 2025 | Status: Registered

There were no concerns about the planning applications received.

17. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

18. Date of next meeting and items for the agenda

Monday 24th November 2025, 7.00pm, Ramsdell Village Hall

CIL

Cricket Pavilion Lease

Budget Planning

Solar panels

The meeting ended at 7.55pm