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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ANGMERING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13 JANUARY 2025 AT THE ANGMERING VILLAGE HALL, KING SUITE

**Present:** Councillors Sylvia Verrinder, Alison Reigate (Vice Chair), Alan Evans, Carey Bennett and Paul Bicknell

**In Attendance:** Katie Herr (Clerk), Tracy Lees (Committee Clerk), WSCC Cllr. Deborah Urquhart, ADC Cllr. Andy Cooper and 4 members for the public

**Acronym:** Angmering Parish Council – APC; West Sussex County Council – WSCC; Arun District Council – ADC; Angmering Community Land Trust – ACLT; Planning & infrastructure Committee – PI; Community, Leisure, Environment & Wellbeing Committee – CLEW; Neighbourhood Plan – NHP; Traffic Regulation Order – TRO. Angmering Flood Alleviation Scheme – AFAS; Tree Protection Order - TPO

AGENDA ITEM	MINUTE NO.	AGENDA POINT	ACTION FOR
1	24/158	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Apologies were received and approved for Cllrs. John Oldfield, Norma Harris, Matthew Want, David Marsh and Nikki Hamilton-Street	
2	24/159	<b>DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.</b> None.	
3	24/160	<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b> Approval of the minutes of the meeting of the committee from <b>Monday 9 December 2024</b> were agreed by all and signed by the Chair.	
4	24/161	<b>PUBLIC CONSULTATION</b> One member of the public wanted to raise his concerns over the speed traffic was now travelling along the A259. He felt vehicles were not adhering to the 50mph speed limit and along with the increase in traffic it was making it increasingly difficult to cross the road safely especially at crossing points where there were no traffic lights, examples were given. Noise issues were now being experienced due to the amount of vehicles travelling at excessive speed. A discussion took place with the member of the public suggesting a lower speed limit of 40mph and more appropriate signage, he also asked what, if anything, was/could be done.	

- Devolution – it doesn't affect town and parish councils, if anything, it may give them more responsibility in certain circumstances.

Cllr Urquhart also mentioned the 20mph speed limit in Dappers Lane and that this was being relooked at, and it could result in all of Dappers Lane becoming 20mph. An update will be given when more is known.

**8 24/165 REPORT FROM THE ARUN DISTRICT COUNCILLORS**

Cllr. Cooper also wished everyone a happy New Year and gave a short report which included that SWEP (SWEP is a temporary response to a heightened risk) was still in place due to the current cold weather. That it had been agreed by ADC that Section 106 monies can be used for social housing although not all were in full agreement and that ADC have to find £18 million to put towards sea defenses, this is ongoing and nothing has yet been decided.

Cllr, Cooper also said he was looking into the funding for footpaths at Swallows Gate and stressed again that continuous reporting to Operation Crackdown was the only way to get things looked into.

Cllr. Evans asked about the newly proposed recycling bins and what would happen to the old ones. The answer was unknown, and a short discussion took place.

No further questions were asked and both Cllr. Cooper and Cllr. Urquhart left the meeting at 20:01.

**9 24/166 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Vice Chair advised that there were no updates.

**10 24/167 2025/2026 PRECEPT APPROVAL**

The Clerk talked through the supporting paper for **Items 10 and 11**. A short discussion then took place and the following was agreed:

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr. Bicknell **PROPOSED** to approve the 0% raise in precept and keep it at £107.87 per Band D property for 2025/2026. Cllr. Evans **SECONDED** and **ALL AGREED**.

**11 24/168 2025/2026 BUDGET APPROVAL**

After discussion the following was agreed:

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr. Bicknell **PROPOSED** the budget for 2025/2026 subject to any changes that will be reported to the council before the start of the 2025/2026 financial year was approved. Cllr. Evans **SECONDED** and **ALL AGREED**.

**12 24/169 APC CHARITY OF THE YEAR 2025/2026**

The Vice Chair read out the list of charities that had been put forward for consideration. Each charity was discussed with reasons for and against given. All councillors felt that all charities were worthy of being charity of the year but agreed only one could be chosen. Therefore the following was agreed:



**RESOLUTION:** Cllr. Verrinder **PROPOSED** that WADARS should be chosen as APCs Chairty of the Yeat 2025/2026. Cllr. Evans **SECONDED** and **ALL AGREED**.

**13 24/170 COMMUNICATIONS AUDIT**

The supporting paper was presented and the reason given as to why this had come about which was feedback from the recent community survey. The Clerk gave the background to the communications expert and why she felt this would be a good option to explore so APC can look to improve communications with Angmering residents. It was also explained that an initial meeting would take place with the communication expert, the Clerk, the Office Manager and the Chair to explore ways forward to achieve better communication. A lively discussion then took place with various questions being asked but ended with all agreeing undertaking this audit would be a good starting point – therefore the following was agreed:

**RESOLUTION:** Cllr. Evans **PROPOSED** that APC should instruct a Communications Expert to carry out an audit on our current processes and suggest improvements. Cllr. Bennett **SECONDED** and **ALL AGREED**.

**14 24/171 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS**

The 2024/2025 budget for Community Grants is £5,000.  
Eight grants have been awarded so far this year, leaving an available budget of £2,665.00.

No grant requests were received this month.

A request was made to all councillors to encourage applications, especially from those that have not previously applied, to come forward.

**15 24/172 2024/2025 FINANCIAL REPORT**

The reports were presented, no questions were asked.  
Cllr. Verrinder signed the reconciliations for December 2024.

**16 24/173 QUESTIONS ON THE ALREADY CIRCULATED NOTES OF MEETINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL WORKING PARTIES, REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS OR NOTES ON OTHER MEETINGS ATTENDED**

None.  
Cllr. Verrinder commented that herself and Cllr. Bennett would be attending an upcoming SDNP meeting and will report back.

**17 24/174 QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEES HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING**

The Planning and Infrastructure Committee – None.  
CLEW Committee – None.  
Governance & Oversight Committee – None.

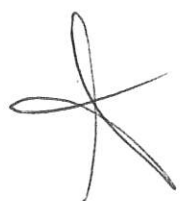
**18 24/175 TO CONSIDER ANY URGENT MATTERS, FOR INFORMATION ONLY, ARISING SINCE THE PREPARATION OF THIS AGENDA**

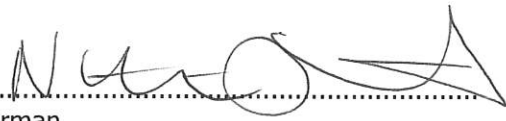
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**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Committee's next meeting will be on **Monday 10 February 2025** at 7:30pm in the King Suite, Angmering Village Hall.

**The meeting concluded at 20.28.**



  
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Chairman

Date..... 10/02/2025