

**MINUTES OF THE OUT RAWCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 29 MAY 2024**

PRESENT: Cllrs; J Swannie (chair); Mrs D Andrews; Mrs A Metcalf. The meeting opened at 7.30pm. Cllr Gardner welcomed those present.

104/1 Election of Chairman. Cllr Mrs D Andrews was elected unanimously. (R: AM/JS)

104/2 Apologies: Cllrs; J Shedwick; P Cartridge; M Gardner; R Beatson; J Wilkinson.

104/3 Election of Vice-Chairman. Cllr J Swannie was elected unanimously (AM/DA).

104/4 Declaration of interest.

Members were reminded of the requirement to declare any direct or indirect pecuniary or other interests in accordance with the code of conduct and to update the register as necessary.

104/5 Minutes. The minutes of the previous meeting as amended were approved (AM/JS).

104/6 Open Forum. A request was tabled for funding in 2025 and ongoing for a proposed memorial garden measuring approximately 8' x 7' in the Church grounds.

104/7 Planning Consultations: There were no current consultations.

104/8 Planning Enforcement: A number of ongoing issues were noted, no actions.

104/9 Flood Forum. AM reported that progress was being made in respect of land drainage in Pilling.

104/10 Owl Wood Maintenance Review. Noted that the footways had been strimmed and that the hedge was due to be cut.

104/11 Highways faults. JS reported that the Bodkin Lane carriageway repairs had been carried out to a very high standard. There was some concern about the degradation of verges due to heavy traffic but noted that probably not much could be done. PC to raise matter with LCC.

Finance

104/12 Payment approved: - Lengthsman – Contract fee - £551.25. DA observed that the Lengthsman scheme was working very well.

104/13 Payment approved: - Zurich Insurance – Annual Premium - £141.00

104/14 Audit: The certificate of audit exemption was approved and completed.

104/15 Accounts: The governance statement for the year ending 31 March 2024 was completed.

104/16 Accounts: The Accounting Statement for the year ending 31 March 2024 was approved for publication (AM/JS).

104/17 Clerk's report: Noted that a number of criminal prosecutions were under way in respect of fly tipping. Thanks to J Bettle and his team from WC. A speed awareness banner had been secured, MG/JW were nominated for siting.

104/18 Items for agenda: Memorial garden funding / Best Kept Village funding / Xmas tree / Room Hire

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

SignedChairman

Date