

MIDGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

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ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

This meeting was conducted strictly in accordance with Standing Orders as adopted by Council in May 2021. All Councillors are reminded to acquaint themselves with these Standing Orders.

Councillors: Francis Long (Chair), Dawn Adams, Tracey Leadbeater, Nigel Bassford

District Councillor: Chris Read

Members of Public: 1

Public Session

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, a time not exceeding 10 minutes is available to the public to address the Members of the Council on any matter relevant and within the Council's responsibility or which affects its area.

1. To elect Chair and Vice Chair

Cllr Fenn was proposed by Cllr Bassford as Chair, seconded by Cllr Adams

Cllr Long was proposed by Cllr Leadbeater as Vice Chair, seconded by Cllr Bassford

2. To receive apologies

Cllr Fenn and Cllr Holden-Crowther

3. To receive any declarations of interest

There were none

4. To receive and approve the minutes of the last meeting

Signed and filed for records

5. To adopt latest revisions of Standing orders, Financial Regulations, Complaints Procedure and Code of Conduct

Standing Orders, financial regulations, complaints procedure and code of conduct were reviewed and adopted by the parish council.

6. To approve the year end accounts, risk assessment and Governance Accountability Report

6.1 End of year accounts were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting; these were approved and will be posted to the council website

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- 6.2 The risk assessment was reviewed and approved by councillors. A question was raised surrounding tree maintenance/surveys on Midgham Green; ACTION – Clerk to contact Paul Hendry
- 6.3 Certificate of Exemption Form signed as income and expenditure did not exceed £25,000
- 6.4 Section 1 Annual Governance Statement – the governance statement was circulated to councillors and signed by Chair and Clerk
- 6.5 Section 2 Accounting Statements – end of year accounts were reviewed by the parish council and Section 2 form signed by Clerk and Chair.

7. Other matters the Chairman feels necessary

- Benefice BBQ (Aldermaston, Wasing, Brimpton, Beenham, Midgham, Woolhampton) on 7th June, 1230-1430 at Hallcourt Farm. Tickets are £5, available from Rev Manley: jmanley.awb@gmail.com
- A resident has contacted Cllr Bassford regarding the state of the noticeboards; ACTION – Cllr Bassford to perform repairs and expense the Council.
- Cllr Adams has been contacted regarding a pelican crossing on the A4. The road is national speed limit so it is unlikely this will occur. Plans are already in place to drop the curb, and looking to install safety barriers for pedestrians. District Cllr Read raised the question as to whether the speed limit should be reduced from the Colthrop turning to Hill Place in Woolhampton.
- Green space at Birds Lane – questions were raised about whether the ‘play area’ on Birds Lane could be made into a more child-friendly area. ACTION – District Cllr Read to survey residents to ascertain activities deemed suitable/unsuitable.

8. To determine dates for the next meeting

14th July 2025 at 7pm

9. To record the meeting closed

20.07