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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ANGMERING PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14 APRIL 2025 AT THE ANGMERING VILLAGE HALL, KING SUITE

Present: Councillors Nikki Hamilton-Street (Chair), Sylvia Verrinder, Alison Reigate (Vice Chair), Alan Evans, Carey Bennett, Norma Harris, and David Marsh

In Attendance: Katie Herr (Clerk), Tracy Lees (Committee Clerk) and WSCC Cllr. Deborah Urquhart

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	24/213	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received and approved for Cllrs John Oldfield, Matthew Want, Paul Bicknell and ADC Cllr. Andy Cooper	
2	24/214	DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA. None.	
3	24/215	APPROVAL OF MINUTES Approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Council on Monday 10 March 2025 were agreed and will be signed by the Chair.	
4	24/216	PUBLIC CONSULTATION When the meeting started no members of the public were present, and no questions had been sent in. Then at 19:36 one member of the public arrived however as we had moved on to the next item the member of the public waited until the item being discussed had been completed.	

The member of the public said they had come to tonight's meetings to see how the meeting worked and had an interest in Devolution and Planning. The Chair explained that planning matters were discussed at the Planning & Infrastructure meetings which are held every three weeks as well as the type of things that are discussed at these meetings. The member of the public had questions regarding the proposed Bewley Road development. The Chair

explained why decisions could not be made at the moment with regards to information needed by ADC before they made their decision and what APC had done regarding this application. Information regarding Bewley Road can be found on the APC website.

The member of the public left the meetings at 19:58.

5 24/217 THE CLERK'S REPORT ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS, BUT NOT INCLUDED ON THIS AGENDA, WHICH WILL INCLUDE SPECIFIC UPDATES ON:

The Chair asked if there were any questions regarding the Clerks report, none were asked.

The Clerk then went on to say that work to repair the office had started today, the Wellbeing Event being held on Saturday 26 April had been boosted on Facebook, Lloyd Goring Close Allotment Area will be inspected for ADC to back. Four new planters for South Angmering have been ordered.

6 24/218 CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair asked if there were any questions regarding her report, none were asked and there was nothing to add.

7 24/219 REPORT FROM THE WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr. Urquhart started by saying that there was not much to report as work programs had stopped due to possible elections.

She reported that the Waste Prevention Team had been out and about visiting schools, groups etc. to give talks on waste prevention and recycling initiatives. She also commented that they have been recognised for an award and said well done to them.

A lot of Cllr. Urquhart's time is also being spent on Devolution – item 10.

No questions were asked.

8 24/220 REPORT FROM THE ARUN DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Cllr. Cooper did not attend tonight's meeting, and no report was sent in.

Questions were asked as to why Cllr. Amelia Worne no longer attends APC meetings (she has not been present for many months), the Clerk will send an email to enquire why.

9 24/221 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN/DEVOLUTION UPDATE

The Chair advised that there were no updates.

10 24/222 DEVOLUTION UPDATE – CLLR NIKKI HAMILTON-STREET

The Chair introduced the supporting paper and made reference to a White Paper that would hopefully be coming out in July as advised by Dr Beccy Cooper MP. However Cllr. Urquhart said that she attended a meeting last week where an update was given, and no White Paper will be published. Cllr. Urquhart went on to give feedback on her meeting and said that Parish Councils were being asked for their thoughts on what they may want to take on but warned APC to be careful of what they wish for as if something is taken i.e. a piece of land/building for example local procedures must be

followed, APC would have to use only approved contractors plus any monies promised may run out quickly. She suggested it might be useful to speak with other neighbouring Parish Councils to see if anything could be done as group rather than a lone Parish but ultimately it will be up to Unitary to say what Parish/Town Councils would be able to take on/do. Unitary will not come into force until 2028. The Clerk confirmed that she had already been in touch with East Preston, Kingston and Ferring parish councils regarding this.

A working group will also be set up and Councillors were invited by the Clerk to register their interest in taking part by emailing the Clerk directly. The working group will then be formally set up.

Cllr. Urquhart left the meeting at 19:58.

11 24/223 PROPOSED EAR MARKED RESERVE (EMR) MOVEMENTS FROM 2024/2025 BUDGET

The Clerk talked through the supporting paper explaining why certain monies had not been spent and why these amounts were being moved to other areas. A couple of small points were raised which were answered in full, no other questions were asked.

RESOLUTION: Cllr. Verrinder **PROPOSED** the Ear Marked Reserve (EMR) Movements from 2024/2025 were accepted. Cllr. Marsh **SECONDED** and **ALL AGREED.**

12 24/224 ANMGERING COMMUNITY HUB

The Chair gave an update on what had been happening since the last meeting held with the Angmering Community Centre (ACC) and the APC Working Group which took place in back in February 2025.

She thanked the Clerk and Cllr. Evans for their work with ACC and for trying to move the project on with everyone's agreement. The various meetings that both the Clerk and Cllr. Evans had taken part in were discussed along with the work the Clerk had been doing with APCs solicitor regarding rewording which related to the lease around the boundaries and the car park.

The Clerk explained the changes to the architectural drawings which include removing the corridor, this had been requested by the ACC and agreed by APC. It was also noted that ACC still have issues with their understanding on how the car park would work even though this has been explained on more than one occasion. The proposed changes will have very little impact on how its currently used – the plan has always been to enhance the parking facilities at the centre.

A comment was made that ACC do not trust APC due to legacy issues. APC stressed the current council is very different to what it was when these said issues arose.

The Clerk commented that she had had another meeting with the Chair of the ACC Trustees which she felt went well and that both parties were in agreement in principle with the points covered in that meeting, however

APC have since received a letter from ACC which was read out to councillors. All councillors put forward their views on the content of letter and contributed to a debate which expressed in the strongest terms their concerns.

It is clear that a large amount of work has gone into this project by all concerned and that there is still a mountain to climb to be able to move forward.

APC feel this project would benefit the community of Angmering so will continue to work towards an agreeable outcome. The Clerk will write a letter containing the proposed updates to the lease to see if the ACC will agree before spending more money with a solicitor writing a formal update to the lease. Nothing can move forward until this next step has been taken.

13 24/225 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS

The 2025/2026 budget for Community Grants is £5,000.

One grant request was submitted for consideration this month.

- Home-Start Arun – £500

After discussion, the following option was put forward and agreed.

Cllr. Reigate PROPOSED that a sum of £500 was granted to the Home Start-Arun. Cllr. Verrinder SECONDED and ALL AGREED
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Grant monies not given out in 2024/25 totalled £2,415.00 and will be put into general reserves.

This grant will come out of the 2025/26 budget line.

14 24/226 2024/2025 FINANCIAL REPORT

The reports were presented, no questions were asked.

Cllr. Evans signed the reconciliations for March 2025.

15 24/227 QUESTIONS ON THE ALREADY CIRCULATED NOTES OF MEETINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL WORKING PARTIES, REPRESENTATIVES ON OTHER ORGANISATIONS OR NOTES ON OTHER MEETINGS ATTENDED

None.

16 24/228 QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEES HELD SINCE THE LAST MEETING

The Planning and Infrastructure Committee – None.

CLEW Committee – None.

Governance & Oversight Committee – None.

17 24/229 TO CONSIDER ANY URGENT MATTERS, FOR INFORMATION ONLY, ARISING SINCE THE PREPARATION OF THIS AGENDA


None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee's next meeting will be on **Monday 12 May 2025** at 7:30pm in the King Suite, Angmering Village Hall.

The **Annual Parish Meeting** will also take place on **Monday 12 May 2025** at 6:30pm in the King Suite, Angmering Village Hall.

The meeting concluded at 20.44.


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Chairman

Date.....12/05/2025