

AMPNEY CRUCIS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON FRIDAY 24TH JULY

Present: Cllrs Anastasia O’Brien, Lis Courtown, Jacky Leadbeater, Ross Leadbeater,
Clint Grimmer, Doug Benham and David Hopkins

Presiding: Cllr Ross Leadbeater.

Clerk: Roz Morton

In attendance: 8 x MOP

No:	Item:
035 26/27	To elect a Chair for the meeting Cllr R Leadbeater was elected as Chair for this meeting. Proposed Cllr J Leadbeater, seconded Cllr Grimmer, all in favour.
036 26/27	To note apologies for absence None
037 26/27	To note declarations of interest & gifts or hospitality given or rec’d None
038 26/27	To consider and agree to Co-opt a Councillor on to the Council It was resolved to co-opt David Hopkins to the Council, proposed Cllr R Leadbeater, Seconded Cllr O’Brien, all in favour.
039 26/27	To receive Declaration of Acceptance of Office Cllr Hopkins’ Declaration of Office was duly signed by the proper officer and received by the Council. ACTION: Cllr Hopkins to submit his Register of Members Interest to Democratic Services at CDC ACTION: Clerk to share training dates for new Councillor training.
040 26/27	To approve minutes of the meeting held on 9th July 2026 It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 9 th July 2026 were a true and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed Cllr R Leadbeater seconded Cllr J Leadbeater all in favour.
041 26/27	Matters arising from the meeting held on 9th July 2026 not covered by this Agenda Update on chevron at Ampney Park entrance Gill Portlock (Glos Highways) has confirmed that the chevron sign will be replaced.
042 26/27	To receive reports from County and District Councillors None bar the Local Plan papers
043 26/27	To receive questions from the Public

	A question was raised by email requesting that the sign asking drivers to park considerably at the top of School Lane is removed and the offer of hosting a sign on a nearby house was made. The Council has considered this matter several times. The Council agreed to leave the sign in place whilst the issues over school parking are resolved. A recent meeting on site with Glos Highways has resulted in the offer of a meeting with the school and a relevant officer from Highways taking place in the Autumn. Other matters are also being considered by the Council including the possibility of purchasing the car park from CDC and increasing the number of car spaces available within it. Installing a sign onto a listed building, also has its challenges. The Council will keep this matter under review.
044 26/27	To consider and agree to engage a planning consultant to respond to the CDC Local Plan Reg 19 consultation Discussion took place. Bell Cornwell were contacted and asked to quote to draft a representation for the Parish Council to submit to the reg 19 consultation. The quote and scope therein were considered. It was resolved to appoint Bell Cornwell to carry out this work. Proposed Cllr R Leadbeater, seconded Cllr Benham, all in favour. ACTION: Clerk to contact Mark Cooke at Bell Cornwell to commission the work. ACTION: Clerk to contact GRC to ascertain if they can assist in any way
045 26/27	To consider and agree budget for consultancy The initial quote is for £4,200, however there may be additional pieces of work that are required to be done which will increase the cost. Given the short timescales and the need for expediency, it was resolved to agree a budget of up to £10,000 for the Reg 19 consultation representation. Proposed Cllr Hopkins, Seconded Cllr R Leadbeater, all in favour.
046 26/27	To consider and agree next steps for responding to Reg 19 consultation and agree any actions. The Council will hold a meeting in August (13th) to review any work done so far and to discuss next steps including communication with the village when the consultation goes live. ACTION: Cllr Courtown to include a note in the Ampney Times setting out the steps the Council is taking, i.e. engaging a planning consultant.
047 26/27	Any other business: to discuss minor matters, not included elsewhere on the agenda, or matters received after the publication of the agenda. Not an opportunity for debate and decision making. A planning application ref: 26/02138/PLP Permission in Principle application for the erection of a maximum of 6no. residential dwellings and creation of vehicle and pedestrian access Land Parcel Opposite Gorston House Ampney Crucis Gloucestershire (Deadline for responses 12th August). The Council agreed to object to this application. The Council also encouraged residents to submit their own objections. ACTION: Cllr O'Brien to draft an objection and circulate to the Council for comment.

	ACTION: Clerk to request an extension to the consultation deadline.
048 26/27	Date and time of next meeting Thursday 13 th August 2026 7.15pm

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.50pm