Minutes from the Meeting held on Thursday 5th August 2024 at 19:00 at The War Memorial Hall, Abbotts Ann.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

	In Attendance	Apologies	Absent
Councillor Jordan		٧	
Councillor Howard	٧		
Councillor Heather	V		
Councillor Wallis	٧		
Councillor Mitchell	٧		
Councillor Rous			V
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Also, IN ATTENDANCE:

Amanda Owen – Clerk, Borough Councillor Hasselman, County Councillor Drew & 1 member of the public.

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241001	To receive Chairman's opening remarks.
	Councillor Howard welcomed everyone to the meeting in the absence of Councillor Jordan and advised that
	the meeting is recorded.
241002	To receive and accept apologies for absence.
	Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Jordan and noted from Borough Councillor Flood.
241003	To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests relating to items on this agenda.
	No declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests were received.
241004	To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 5 th September 2024.
	The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 5 th September were signed as a correct record of the meeting.
	Proposed by Councillor Howard, seconded by Councillor Heather.
	This motion was passed on a vote of 3 FOR and 1 ABSTENTION.
241005	To receive updates already published and any further updates provided.
	Reports can be found at APPENDIX A.
	Following Councillor Wallis' update it was noted that he was content to continue overseeing the Sportsfield.
	Councillor Hasselman provided an overview of her report.
	- Winter Fuel Payments
	 Free AI Workshop for Small Businesses – 23rd October 9am to Noon
	- Test Valley Net Zero Innovation Network
	- Hawk Conservancy Grant Success to run events.
	Councillor Drew provided an overview of his report.
	Councillor Mitchell advised that she has generated a Community Facebook page called 'Abbotts Ann Village Community Page' which she will circulate in the Parish Magazine, Village Shop and Information Kiosk. It was
	agreed that Councillor Mitchell would administer the page, with the Clerk as Deputy.
	Councillor Howard updated the Action List.
	Councillor Mitchell, Councillor Wallis and Councillor Howard met with Jenny Brain from Test Valley Borough
	Council. She advised on how the Parish Council could achieve, hopefully, additional funding towards the
	project.
241006	To receive an update from Abbotts Ann Community Land Trust.
	Ray Lucas of the Abbotts Ann Community Land Trust advised that there was nothing further to report.
241007	To discuss progress on the new Bulbery facilities project.
	Councillor Jordan is providing a report for discussion at the next meeting. Councillor Mitchell produced
	options for the children's playground. It was agreed that this should be on the agenda for the November
	meeting and that the clerk would seek guidance from TVBC on possible use of the S106 monies to be
	applied for by May 2025.

241008	To consider the interment of ashes of Jean Curry in to the Garden of Remembrance.								
	It was AGREED to delegate the decision to the Clerk, subject to eligibility in accordance with the Burial								
	Ground regulations.								
	Proposed by Councillor Howard, seconded by Councillor Wallis.								
	All members voted unanimously to accept this resolution.								
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		e the quote from Scandor due to	volunteer offers, fr	om Councillors He	eather				
	and Wallis, to remove the gree								
	Proposed by Councillor Howard, seconded by Councillor Wallis.								
	All members voted unanimously to accept this resolution. To note the current financial situation and the reconciliation of the bank balance.								
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		24 being £87,849.99. The bank re	econciliation can be	found as APPEND	DIX B.				
241011	To approve the requests for p	-							
		table below were APPROVED for							
		rd, seconded by Councillor Wallis	S.						
	All members voted unanimous	sly to accept this resolution.							
		October 2024 Payment Req	luests						
	то	FOR	INVOICE NO	AMOUNT					
	Staff	Salary	October	£1,147.51					
	Staff	Expenses	September	£23.14					
	Councillor Heather	Expenses	August	£59.64					
	Scandor	Grounds Maintenance	TBC	£852.67					
	SSE	Pavilion Electricity	IV01520653	£217.86					
	Business Stream	Pavilion Water	6028830						
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				£2,350.80					
241012		rom Portfolio holders for 2025 /	•						
	-	get and made recommendations.		e suggested amen	dments				
		r further discussion at the Nover	mber meeting.						
241013	To consider the following planning applications:								
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There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20:13.

APPENDIX A

Reports - October 2024.

Environmental Portfolio Report for September 2024 Footpaths

All footpaths are in good order, part for two issues, overhanging tree on the Drove and hedging on Pitt path, both I will resolve in October during the final path trimming of the year we hope.

The new dog Poo signs are doing the trick, as I have found less dog poo during September's path trimming. Sewage

The new sewer chamber system at Manor Farm did not work as we had a spillage (see attached photo) on the 8^{th of} September after a night of heavy rain. I reported it to SW and waiting a report back on the reasons, I will also discuss the problem at the next quarterly PPPF Meeting in October.



Owing to the recent heavy rain full, Southern Water have had Tankers at Monxton Pumping Station to stop any spillage at Manor Farm, and down into our village.

Ground water levels are now starting to raise now that we have had high levels of rain. (see attached chart).

Highways & Public footpaths.

Still no action from Hampshire Highways to clean the blocked drains in our village, and Duck Street was awash after the recent heavy rain, I have chased them up but had no response so far.

I have put a request into Hampshire Highways to have the hedge cut back along Church Road by the side of the pub, because it is blocking part of the road.

River Watch

Pillhill Brook in our area is all okay, September monthly monitoring report to follow in the next few days. **Councillor John Heather**

Week	Amport Rainfall (mm)	Clanville Gate* (101.55 AOD)	Change	High View Kimpton	Change	Stanbury Road (76.63 m AOD)	Change	Mullens Pond (69.35 m AOD)	Change	Monxton (62.52 m AOD)	Change
6/1/23	22.0	81.07	t	82.71	t	-	-	-	-	-	-
3/2/23	88	85.55	t	85.30	1	76.11	-	69.03	-	61.80	-
3/3/23	6.2	85.45	+	84.88	+	76.04	+	68.96	+	61.68	+
7/4/23	97.0	86.31	1	85.75	1	76.11	1	69.06	1	61.74	1
5/5/23	59.2	86.87	1	85.88	†	76.14	1	69.07	1	61.81	1
2/6/23	33.0	86.97	1	85.50	+	76.14	=	69.02	+	61.75	+
7/7/23	42.3	85.46	Ŧ	84.00	+	76.10	+	68.93	+	61.60	Ļ
4/8/23		84.58	↓ ↓	83.50	÷.	76.05		68.89		61.57	
1/9/23	40	83.66	Ŧ	83.83	1	76.00	+	68.87	+	61.56	1
6/10/23	90.5	82.68	Ŧ	82.73	+	75.94	+	-	-	61.65	1
3/11/23		84.27		83.85		76.21		-	-	61.94	
1/12/23	84.0	86.77	1	86.00	1	76.22	1	-	-	61.92	+
5/1/24	190	90.03	1	87.25	+	76.34	1	-	-	61.98	1
								Haydown Fm (75.4 m AOD)			
2/2/24	42	90.68	Ŧ	86.88	Ļ	76.33	1	74.12	Ļ	61.89	+
1/3/23	128	91.05	t	87.21	+	76.33	1	74.13	1	61.94	1
5/4/24	149.2	91.33	t	87.40	+	76.36	1	74.19	1	62.00	1
3/5/24	50.5	90.59	Ļ	86.83	Ļ	76.27	Ļ	74.10	Ļ	61.91	Ļ
7/6/24	49.5	88.74	Ŧ	86.03	ŧ	76.16	Ŧ	73.80	Ŧ	61.75	Ŧ
5/7/24	16.8	87.03	Ť	84.92	Ļ	76.09	Ļ	73.56	Ļ	61.67	Ļ
2/8/24	2.0	85.58	Ļ	84.01	+	76.03	+	73.40	Ļ	61.52	+
6/9/24	29.0	83.69	Ŧ	82.90	Ŧ	75.90	Ŧ	73.23	Ŧ	61.39	+
13/9/24	28.5	83.43	Ŧ	82.85	1	75.94	1	73.25	1	61.47	1
20/9/24	1.0	83.15	+	82.85	+	75.93	+	73.35	1	61.44	+
27/9/24	102.5	83.04	1	82.89	1	76.36	t	73.31	+	61.72	1

Monthly GW levels (m AOD or Above Sea Level)

rehole used by SW as an indicator for start of major groundwater infiltration

Notes: 1. Levels rose above 84 m trigger point 16 Jan 2023 & fell below 84 m 25 Aug 2023. 2. Row highlighted in green indicates catchment trigger points - when tankers were removed (on 24/08/23 in 2023; on 24/04/24 in 2024) 3. Levels bounded by red indicate when their individual trigger points - when tankers reinstated (on 3/11/23 in 2023; on 24/04/24 in 2024) 4. Row highlighted in red indicate when their individual trigger points - when tankers reinstated (on 3/11/23 in 2023) 5. More local borehole at High View, Kimpton added to table 17 Nov 2023 & levels for 2023 added retrospectively for comparison with Clanville Gate 6. Haydown Fm borehole substituted for Mullens Pond whist out of action 25/1/24

SEPTEMBER RESULTS

|Water Quality | Kick Sampling |Groundwater |

Water Quality

The chemicals we check continue to be within acceptable parameters. The weather proved a challenge this month and as a result some sites were not surveyed.

Kick Sampling

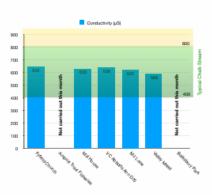
Olive counts are down but this is to be expected as most nymphs have by now hatched into adult mayflies and laid next season's batch of eggs. Freshwater shrimp prefer leaf litter so sites with overhanging trees have healthy populations. So all data continues to indicate a healthy brook ecology.

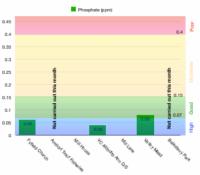
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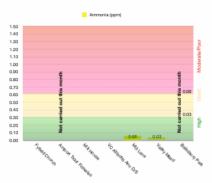
The catchment had 157.5 mm of rainfall this month, almost twice the expected average for September. Consequently groundwater levels have started to rise with the Thruxton winterbourne reactivating on 23 September. If high rainfall persists groundwater season could start a full month ahead of last year! For more information visit our <u>Groundwater page</u> on the website.

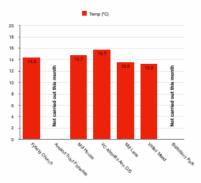
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n	not carried out this month due to bad weather						
630	14.7	0.00	5	0.00	450		
636	15.7	0.04	5	0.00			
622	13.5	0.00	5	0.06	450		
588	13.2	0.08	5	0.03	400		
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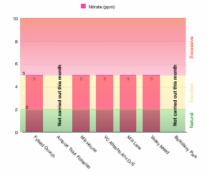
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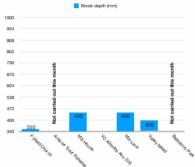






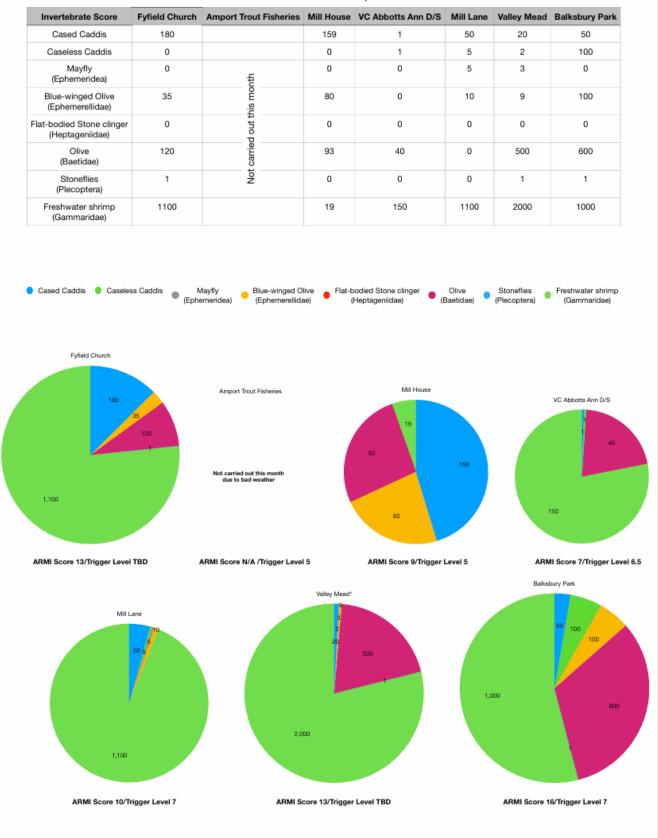






Pillhill Brook Association

13 October 2024



Invertebrate Counts for September 2024

1. RMI monitors count the number of rivertiles they find in eight key groups. From these numbers, an ARMI score is generated for that sample. Each site has a brigger level, decided by the ecclegic contact from the statutory agency, which shows the minimum ARMI score that samples at that site should have if the river is in acceptable ecclogical health. If the ARMI score of a sample is lower than the trigger level for that site, the monitor would then take a second sample to confirm the trigger level breach. One confirmed, the statutory agency is informed.

Sports and Recreation Update September 2024 Sports Field

The Sports Field Advisory Group has been dissolved. Having overseen the refurbishment of the pavilion the few remaining members feel that there is no longer any need for the group to continue.

The football pitches have been re-lined and the grass has been given an extra cut and roll, thanks to the New Street Robins FC. One goal mouth area is very worn and becomes a large puddle after rain. The goal posts of the senior pitch need re-seating as they are a bit wobbly and leaning slightly.

Fundraising

FOTAAS (Friends of the Abbotts Ann Sportsfield) have no plans for any more fundraising activities due to their declining membership. So, no more Fete or Firework barbecues. Their final task will be to clear the bonfire site - planned for the beginning of November. The monies so far raised (approx £43,000) will be held by the remaining members (Chair – Jane Wiggs) until required, to help finance the new Clubhouse/Pavilion. Cllr. Chris Wallis

Update from Hampshire County Council – October 2024

Check your flood risk ahead of winter rainfall

Around 400,000 households in Hampshire are at risk of flooding and with the potential for increased rainfall because of climate change, particularly during autumn and winter, Hampshire County Council has created a new online tool to help people check their flood risk to help protect homes, land, and businesses

The online community toolkit, available on the County Council's website, brings together advice and guidance to help people to prepare for and reduce the risk of damage to their property from flooding.

If you find your property is at greater risk, you can sign up to receive warnings from the Environment Agency about possible flooding from rivers, the sea or groundwater, together with advice on the practical steps you can take to be prepared. This could include joining a local Community Flood Action Group which supports residents to reduce flood risk in those areas where flooding could be the most severe, keeping a supply of sandbags, or checking your insurance cover is up to date.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20241002FloodCheckAwareness

National Inclusion Week: County Council seeks views for informing services for children and young people with SEND

A new informal consultation is seeking the views of young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), their families and the professionals who work them, in a bid to improve SEND services and participation opportunities in Hampshire

The consultation is open until 3 November 2024, and has been launched to coincide with this year's National Inclusion Week (23-29 September).

To encourage more employers to participate, the County Council is planning a 'reverse jobs fair' at its Winchester headquarters on 14 November, where potential interns will be matched with organisations.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20240923inclusionweek

Move every day for a fitter and healthier old age

Let's get Able like Mabel and Steady like Eddie! That's the message from Hampshire County Council this 'Falls Prevention Week' (23-27 September) to motivate older residents to do some strength building activity every day – even just a little – for a fitter later life and to help maintain balance and prevent falls

Each year in Hampshire, it is estimated that more than 86,000 people aged 65+ have a fall, which can significantly impact their long-term wellbeing. To help people aged 65 and older maintain their strength, balance and independence, both now and in the future, they are being encouraged to incorporate simple, strength-building and balancing movements into their daily lives.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/240920fallspreventionweek

Making Hampshire healthier by 2050

People living in Hampshire should enjoy better health as well as see more effective use of health services and the local economy boosted, by the year 2050 - that's the pledge of key bodies across Hampshire

At a special meeting of the Hampshire 2050 Partnership held at Hampshire County Council in Winchester, local authorities, health services, the education sector, other public organisations and business, supported by England's Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Dr Jeanelle de Gruchy, gathered to launch a 'Year of Health and Wellbeing'.

It marks the start of a 12-month focus by the partners on the development of activity, both within their own organisations and collectively, aimed at securing long-term improvements in people's physical and mental wellbeing across the county.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20240916LaunchYearHealthWellbeing

Don't forget to apply for secondary places before Halloween's witching hour

Parents and carers, it's time to apply for your child's secondary school place for September 2025



Applications are open from 9 September until 11:59 pm on 31 October for pupils who are currently starting Year 6. To improve your chances of getting into a preferred school, remember to name three schools on your application and submit it before midnight. Library sessions are being held in some areas to support parents who have queries about the process.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20240909secondaryadmissions

Decisions due this autumn on future services

From areas such as household waste recycling centres and streetlights to library stocks and road maintenance, this autumn will see key decisions made on the future of some important County Council services delivered to Hampshire residents after April 2025

Over 14,400 people responded to the consultation which asked for the public's views on 13 options to change and reduce some local services to help make savings towards an annual £132 million budget shortfall that the County Council originally anticipated it would face from 2025/26 onwards and a focus on core service delivery so the Authority can live within its means and prioritise providing the essentials when serving the people of Hampshire.

Before making any decisions, the HCC Cabinet will carefully consider the officers' recommendations in the context of the consultation responses, the feedback from the Select Committees and any deputations made to us. While officers are making the recommendations in the reports, the proposals are just recommendations and at this stage and that the Cabinet are open to considering other options that may evolve through this process. The Cabinet can choose different solutions and timescales at the point of our decision-making.

https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20240902SP25

David Drew

Test Valley Central Division, HCC Borough Councillor Report - Cllr Maureen Flood and Cllr Susanne Hasselmann October 2024

Borough Council action relating to Winter Fuel Payments

The restriction of winter fuel payments to only those on eligible benefits, e.g. pensioncredits, means that many of our local pensioners will suffer hardship this winter. At the Council Meeting on 16 October Councillors are planning to put forward a motion that sets out several actions the Council is proposing to take to not only protest against these changes, but also propose practical steps to help our pensioners to claim the relevant benefits if they are eligible and provide financial support to those who may still need it.

Free AI workshop for small businesses in Test Valley

The council are offering a free AI workshop for small businesses in Test Valley.

The workshop aims to help with understanding of how to implement AI tools into a business with the potential to streamline operations, enhance customer experiences and drive growth. This free workshop will be led by Luke Williams, Head of AI at Intergage.

Luke will provide an introduction to AI, explain some of the jargon, show you the risks of bias, showcase the forthcoming power of AI video, provide practical tips on prompt writing, introduce 'Custom GPTs', identify real-world use-cases and outline quick wins that your company can make. He'll also talk through the safety, legal and ethical considerations that AI presents.

Location: Crosfield Hall, RomseyDate: Wednesday 23 October Time: 9am to 12pm.

Businesses can book on by visiting: <u>www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ai-for-small-</u> <u>businesses-tickets-</u> <u>990145681387?aff=oddtdtcreator&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=g_ovdelivery</u>

Test Valley Net Zero Innovation Network

The first meeting of the Test Valley Net Zero Innovation Network is taking place nextmonth. In order to support businesses in the Net Zero sector, TVBC has partnered with the <u>Future Towns Innovation Hub</u> at the University of Southampton Science Park.

Innovative companies across the borough have been invited to be a part of thenetwork as they are going to be critical in enabling the UK to meet its Net Zeroambitions. The aim of the network is:

- to develop the Net Zero cluster already here in Test Valley
- to connect businesses and foster valuable networking opportunities
- to link businesses into the support available from the Future Towns Innovation Huband University of Southampton
- to discuss the challenges the industry is facing

The meeting is taking place on 8 October between 10am - 12pm at the Future Towns Innovation Hub, University of Southampton Science Park, The Engineering Centre, University Parkway, Southampton SO16 7PU. If you know of any businesses who may be interested in joining, please contact one of your Brough Councillors.

Hawk Conservancy Visit and Support

Both your Borough Councillors recently visited the Hawk Conservancy following the successful submission by the Hawk Conservancy of a Councillor grant for their annual Dreamnight evening for children who experience extra challenges than most.

The Hawk Conservancy Trust which is based in Amport , one of the Anna Ward villages, receives thousands of

visits each year, which includes local residents, dayvisitors (as part of a visit to the area), members, educational visitors (schools - typically within a radius of a one hour drive, college and university students) and supporters.

The Trust has grown and evolved over nearly 60 years, since it began as Weyhill Zoo. The mission is to conserve birds of prey and their habitats and they undertake conservation and research work both in the UK and overseas. In addition to this work, they educate and inspire visitors to the Trust. The Trust is now one of the mainvisitor attractions in and around Andover.

The Hawk Conservancy Trust works to service the local community in a variety of ways including offering free visits to residents within the neighbourhood, providing volunteering opportunities and the use of Feathers Restaurant without having to payto visit the visitor attraction. The Trust is the location for local groups to hold gatherings, from regular tea and coffee groups to school summer hike picnic stops and wakes.

The Hawk Conservancy is well worth a visit!

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APPENDIX B

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