

Heytesbury Imber & Knook Parish Council

Minutes EO meeting

Wednesday 10th December 2025

Membership: Councillors David Bond (Chair) **DB**, Karen Riggs **KR**, Sarah Buttenshaw **SB**, Andrew Moore **AM**, Louise Morris **LM**, Roly Rickcord **RR**, Sandra Smith **SS**, Susan King **SK**, Andrew Kennedy **AK**, and Judith Dando **JD**.

Present: Cllrs Bond, Morris, Buttenshaw, Moore, Rickcord, King, and Dando.

Officers:

Sarah Vesey-Thompson **SV-T**, Clerk & RFO

Karungi Grant **KG**, Locum Clerk

Public: 11 in attendance

119. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Riggs, Kennedy and Smith. Reasons given.

120. Declarations of Interest

None.

121. Report from the Chair

Cllr Bond apologised for the mix up with the agendas at the time of publishing.

He shared communication from WC following questions he asked;

1. Are the moratorium dates upheld and stay the same?

There is nothing within the Localism Act 2011 or the Assets of Community Value Regulations 2012 which acts as a stay on the moratorium during consideration of an application for a review. Therefore, during the review period the original moratorium would be in place and if the review upholds the original decision (which occurred in this case) then the timings for the moratorium would be based on the making of the original decision (in this case 3 September 2025).

2. Is the moratorium upheld but the moratorium dates are affected by the review?

The original decision was upheld and therefore the moratorium dates remain the same.

3. Do the Parish Council need to restate their intention to bid, and retrigger the moratorium?

Whilst there is no legal requirement for the Parish Council to restate their intention to bid there would be nothing wrong with the Parish Council referring to their original statement of intention to bid and confirming that that intention remains.

4. Are there any other considerations they need to know?

The answer above is provided on the basis that Wiltshire Council was the decision-making body in respect of the listing of the Asset and it is merely clarifying the application of the moratorium during a review process. However, as Wiltshire Council is the designated body responsible for overseeing its Assets of Community Value list, it would be inappropriate for Wiltshire Council to provide any comment on community interest group considerations in respect of the application of the moratorium to land that they may be interested in bidding for.

122. Purpose of the Extraordinary Meeting

Cllr Bond explained that the Parish Council had understood they would be required to resubmit their expression of interest to register as a potential bidder following the appeal on the Asset of Community Value appeal.

123. Discussion and Consideration

Cllr Bond reported that Wiltshire Council would be liable for any risks to the landowner arising from the ACV application, and that there would be no financial implications for the Parish Council.

124. Resolution

Cllr Buttenshaw proposed that Parish Council resolves to refer to the original statement to register as a potential bidder following the ACV decision. Cllr Morris seconded. All in favour.

Meeting was followed by the Raymond Trust EO meeting and an urgent update from the Staffing Committee. Meetings ended at 9pm
