

Rampton Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on 13 October 2003

Present: Cllr G E Morris, Chairman
Cllrs Arden, Jackson, Leaton, Mellors, Smith
Also present: D Landon, Clerk of the Council

1 Apologies for Absence

Cllr Rickells.

The Clerk was asked to write to Cllr Rickells expressing the Council's satisfaction that his operation had been successful.

2 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Smith declared a prejudicial interest in item 7c).

3 Minutes of the meeting held on 8 September

Approved.

4 Matters Arising

a) Provision of sports facilities in the village

The Council discussed two designs for the pavilion submitted by Chris Moxon. The Chairman will convey the Council's preferences to Mr Moxon. The Clerk will prepare a letter in support of the planning application, with copies of the letters from village sporting clubs and referring to the Council's intention to finance the project through a mixture of grants, sponsorship and its own funds.

b) Lease of land to N Greenhalgh

The Chairman signed the tenancy agreement on behalf of the Council. Shuldham Calverley had advised that they see no problem in Mr Greenalgh vacating the land as soon as possible after the harvest. The Clerk was asked to write to Shuldham Calverley to point out that the hedge had not been cut, contrary to the tenancy agreement.

c) Street names

Una Green, Bassetlaw District Council had advised that she had arranged a meeting with her Head of Section on 25 September but has not advised of the outcome of this meeting. The Clerk was asked to send her a reminder.

d) Defibrillator

The Clerk advised that there are no conditions attached to the purchase of the defibrillator from the Southwell Group. The grant application to the British Heart Foundation has still not been determined.

e) Standards Board – the Code of Conduct in practice video
Still circulating.

f) Overhanging trees

Nottinghamshire County Council had advised that the trees etc on the footway leading from the Old Chapel to Torksey Street have been cut back and that they will inspect those on the footpath on Laneham Street.

g) Bus Shelter

Nottinghamshire County Council had apologised for the unsatisfactory work to the bus shelter which the Council noted has now been rectified.

h) Buses turning at Orchard Drive

The Clerk reported that he had reported parishioners' concerns to the County Council but had not been advised of the outcome.

5 Planning

a) Correspondence

- Bassetlaw District Council – Sundown Adventureland

The District Council is intending to produce Supplementary Planning Guidance which will formalise the arrangements for ensuring that developments are only permitted in association with highways improvements.

b) Applications considered by the Planning Committee

- Construct new car park, Sundown Adventureland – no objections
- Erect conservatory, Treetops, Retford Road – no objections
- Erect extension, Peacehaven, Retford Road – no objections
- Construct child's water ride, Sundown Adventureland – no objections

c) Decisions

None.

6 Village Hall

Cllr Arden reported that there had been two resignations from the Village Hall Committee, only one of which has been replaced. The Council agreed that the boiler should be serviced. The Council noted a bill from Anglian Water for £758.00 – there has been a leak from the meter and the Council has been advised to pay £216 whilst the claim is sorted out.

7 Accounts

a) Audit of accounts/Annual Return for 2002/03

The Clerk reported that Gordon Peters has not completed the audit for personal reasons. The audited accounts should be available for the next meeting.

b) Receipts

The Council noted the following receipts:

	£
Customs & Excise	258.29
Bassetlaw District Council	3107.00
A E Quickfall	144.30
East Midlands Electricity	5.15

c) Woodbeck Residents Association

Cllr Smith left the meeting.

The Council resolved to use its powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972 to make a donation of £300 to the Woodbeck Residents Association.

Cllr Smith rejoined the meeting.

d) Accounts for payment

The Council agreed the following accounts for payment:

	cheque	£
Shuldhams Calverley	965	75.40
Anglian Water	966	216.00
Woodbeck Residents Association	967	300.00

e) Bank balances

After the above transactions the account balances will be:

	£
Current Account	4364.53
Nottingham Building Society	<u>62264.01</u>
	<u>66628.54</u>

f) Grass cutting contract

Deferred to the next meeting.

8 Correspondence

a) Countryside Agency – Draft Map of Registered Common Land & Open Country

The Council noted that these proposals will not have any impact on public access to land in any of the villages.

b) Nottinghamshire County Council – Planning Guidance – Parking Provision

The Council noted this consultation document on proposals for specifying the minimum amount of off-road parking required for new developments.

c) Tuxford Mine of Information AGM

The Chairman may attend this meeting on 29 October.



d) Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council AGM

No councillor wishes to attend this meeting on 22 October at Kinoulton.

e) Countryside Agency – Local Heritage Grants

The Council noted that 100% grants are available for projects submitted by, or on behalf of, a community organisation.

f) Documents for Inspection

The following documents were available for inspection by members:

- Rampton Hospital – minutes of Community Forum, 16 September
- Nottinghamshire County Council – Your Environment
- Nottinghamshire Rural Community Council – Annual Report
- Nottinghamshire County Council – Planning and Property Briefing
- Nottinghamshire County Council – Travel and Transport Briefing

9 Any Other Business

a) Mobile Police Station

The Clerk was asked to write a tactful letter to Inspector France pointing out that it would have been preferable for the Police to have sought permission from the landlord of the Eyre Arms before parking the mobile police station on the car park.

b) Post Office

The Clerk was asked to write to the DVLA to enquire if the Post Office can deal with road fund licenses.

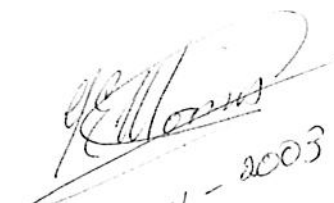
c) Notice Boards

The Chairman will speak to the handyman about refurbishing the notice boards and fitting locks to them.

10 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 10 November at 7.30 pm

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.


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