

Rampton Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held at 7.30 pm on Monday 15 March 2010 in Rampton Village Hall

Present: Cllr J Wilkinson, Chairman
Cllrs Morris BEM, Rickells, Sheppard

Also present: D Landon, Clerk of the Council
PCSO Ciacci
5 members of the public

1 Apologies for absence

Cllrs Ingamells, McIlwaine, Russell.

2 Declarations of interest

All members present declared a personal interest in item 5.

3 Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 8 February

Approved.

4 Police Report

PCSO Ciacci advised that five crimes had been reported since the last meeting - two thefts of heating oil, two thefts from gardens and one burglary.

5 Sports & Leisure Facilities

The Council discussed a letter from the architect, previously circulated. The Council noted that Nottinghamshire County Council had recommended to Bassetlaw District Council that it refuse planning permission because there is no provision for off-road parking. Cllr Morris reported that he and Cllr Rickells had met Kate Biggs who said that the County Council is not prepared to accept that visitors, especially to the bowling green, will use the Village Hall car park. She advised that the County Council will be satisfied with 10 parking spaces and Cllr Morris advised that the landowner had agreed that the Council could put hardcore on some of the 15m strip of land along the eastern boundary. The Clerk reported that the architect had ticked the 'flood risk' box on the planning application because this is the information given by the Environment Agency. Members commented that it seems excessive to be asked to pay £2,500 to find out that the field may not be usable at times of heavy rainfall. The Council noted that Mr Askwith's letter had asked the architect for both a Flood Risk Assessment and an appropriate drainage scheme, despite the fact that the Laneham Internal Drainage Board had not made any comment on the drainage of the field. The Council decided that there is no point meeting Mr Askwith unless Mr Armiger is present and Cllr Rickells agreed to arrange for the Chairman, Cllrs Morris and Sheppard and the Clerk to meet Mr Armiger.

6 Matters arising from the meeting held on 8 February

a) Six-weekly bulk refuse collections

Cllr Rickells reported that collection dates have now been set until August.

b) Bus stop name

The County Council had agreed to change the name of the bus stop to Main Street.

c) Shortleys Lane

The Clerk reported that he had written to Laura Summers to register a formal complaint on behalf of the Council about the damage done to the surface of Shortleys Lane and to ask that the farmer responsible rectifies the damage he caused. Members commented that there has been no improvement to the surface of the lane and the Clerk was asked to write again to Laura Summers referring to her conversation with Cllr Rickells about a month ago in which she indicated that she was intending to speak to the farmer responsible.

7 Planning

Nothing to report.

8 Village Warden

B Doyle has formally accepted the post of Village Warden with effect from 1 January. The Council noted that he had continued to collect litter on a voluntary basis since October and agreed that he should be paid from 1 January. Cllr Sheppard agreed to be the Village Warden Liaison Officer and the Clerk was asked to write to the Village Warden to say that he should report to Cllr Sheppard who will then bring relevant matters to the Council's attention.

9 Village Hall

a) Work needed to Village Hall

The Council discussed a letter from the Secretary, previously circulated, and agreed that it will ask the Village Hall Committee to obtain and submit to the Council three quotes for the rendering to the north wall, external decoration and the car park fence, asking potential contractors to supply details of their public liability insurance. In his reply to the Village Hall Secretary the Clerk was asked to say that the Council is pleased that the Committee is working proactively and also to point out that the Council is working to a budget that has little room for manoeuvre and any other work will have to wait until next year.

10 Accounts & Audit

a) Receipts

The Council noted the following receipt:

	£
Customs & Excise -VAT refund	1457.64

b) Accounts for Payment

The Council agreed the following accounts for payment:

	Cheque #	£
Notts ALC - subscription	267	130.75
D Landon - salary & expenses	268	972.19
B Doyle - wages	269	174.00

d) Bank balances

The balances of the Council's accounts are:

	£
NatWest Bank	3981.91
Nottingham Building Society	<u>29912.26</u>
	<u>33894.17</u>

11 Correspondence

a) Nottinghamshire County Council - Local Improvement Scheme

The County Council is offering Parish Councils the choice of a notice board or a bench seat. The Council decided to ask for a notice board for Woodbeck. The Clerk was asked to ensure that the County Council do not take away the old notice board when installing the new one.

b) Nottinghamshire County Council - Changes to Concessionary Travel Scheme

The County Council had advised that there has been a reduction in the budget available for concessionary travel from 1 April 2010. Details will be included in *Roundabout*.

c) Mr S Dixon - Charity Whist Drives

The Council noted that the charity whist drives had raised £1315.10.

d) Correspondence for Circulation

The following documents were available for inspections by members:

- Nottinghamshire County Council – Planning and Landscape Briefing (2)
- Nottinghamshire Police - Commanders Update
- Clerks & Councils Direct – Issue #68

12 Any Other Business

a) Notice Boards

The Chairman agreed to put up a notice saying that the notice board should only be used for Parish Council notices.

b) Gauntleys Bill

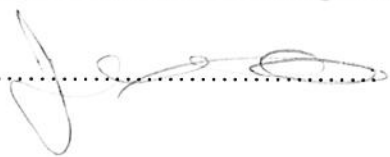
The Clerk reported that the Council paid Gauntley's bill for the posts for the field because Cllr Russell has been authorised to charge them to the Council's account. However, Gauntleys had told him that the Council does not have an account and he had paid cash. The Clerk will ask Gauntleys to reimburse Cllr Russell.

13 Date of next meeting

Monday 12 April 2010

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Signed.....



Date.....

12/4/10.....

Rampton Parish Council

Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2010

2008/09		2009/10	
£	Receipts	£	£
5500	Precept		6000
	Other receipts		
1345	BDC – Contribution	1380	
891	BDC – Street cleaning grant	913	
	BDC – additional grant	1400	
326	NCC – Grass cutting grant	362	
1599	Rents received	1518	
420	Post Office rent	653	
1006	Other income	6	
1156	Interest received	213	
<u>973</u>	VAT refund	<u>1458</u>	
<u>7716</u>	Total other receipts		<u>7903</u>
<u>13216</u>	Total Receipts		<u>13903</u>
	Payments		
3657	Staff costs		3466
	Other payments		
1520	Grass cutting	1520	
1335	Village Hall - running costs	336	
2640	Village Hall - refurbishment	7184	
445	Post Office	454	
720	Sports facilities	1828	
1530	Grants to village organisations	1150	
90	Professional fees	75	
2552	Administrative costs	2402	
<u>736</u>	VAT paid	<u>1457</u>	
<u>11568</u>	Total other payments		<u>16406</u>
<u>15225</u>	Total payments		<u>19872</u>
42085	Balance at start of year		40076
13216	Receipts		13903
<u>-15225</u>	Less payments		<u>-19872</u>
<u>40076</u>	Balance at end of year		<u>34107</u>
	Bank balances		
2164	NatWest Bank		3982
<u>37912</u>	Nottingham Building Society		<u>30125</u>
<u>40076</u>			<u>34107</u>