

RAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 17 May 1999

Present: Cllr D Jackson, in the Chair
Cllrs Arden, Dixon, Mellors, Morris, Rickells, Smith.
Also present: Rev M Leaton, D Landon, Clerk of the Parish Council

1 Apologies for Absence

None.

2 Minutes of the meeting held on 18 May 1998

Agreed.

3 Matters Arising

a) Village Hall Car Park Extension

No Progress.

b) Precept

The Council had decided to raise a precept of £10 per property on the advice of the Head of Financial Services, Bassetlaw District Council.

c) Cottam Power Station

The Development Centre has not yet been completed.

4 Progress with projects to commemorate the Millennium

The vicar noted that enthusiasm for Millennium Projects had diminished. He listed the following projects, some of which were being actively pursued by 4 people – M Arden, S Dixon, G Peters and himself. The intention would not necessarily to have all the projects completed by 31 December but for them to run through the year 2000.

a) Mugs

To be given to every child of school age.

b) Logo/Flag

There had been little response to the competition to design a logo or flag.

c) Flagpole

To be located either on top of the Church tower (£300) or in the Churchyard (£600).

d) Entrance Signs to Village

In stone, perhaps incorporating a miniature garden at a cost of £400 each – 4 or 5 would be needed.

e) New Direction Sign

f) Party in Village Hall on 31 December

An organiser was needed.

g) Trees

Two oak trees, one at the rear of the Village Hall and one in the grounds of Rampton Hospital would cost £20 each.

h) Restoration of Pinfold

This would cost at least £2000.

i) History of the Village

This is being considered by G Claypole with the possibility of publishing a book and/or mounting an exhibition.

5 Comments on the above proposals

- a) It was felt that enough mugs should be ordered to sell to other villagers as well as to give to the children.
- b) Grants may be available for the mugs, flagpole, signs and trees.
- c) The cost of restoring the Pinfold is likely to be considerably in excess of £2000.
- d) The vicar will contact Nottinghamshire County Council regarding village signs.
- e) The idea of a Millennium party is worth pursuing.
- f) There is some uncertainty about the best location for a flagpole.
- g) There are not enough active members of the Millennium Committee to pursue all of the projects.

Cllrs Arden and Dixon referred to the apathy amongst other members of the Millennium Committee and asked whether they were wasting their time.

6 Any Other Business relevant to a Parish Meeting

None.