



**Minutes of the meeting of Rampton & Woodbeck Parish Council
held on the 13 September 2021 at 7pm
at Rampton Village Hall**

Present:

Councillors: J Lancaster, D Eddy, G Dinsdale, L Dinsdale and L Cobb

Officer: S Pyke (locum Clerk)

Public: 4

Other Representatives: Bassetlaw District Councillor A Coultate (part) and Nottinghamshire County Councillor J Ogle (part)

579. **Welcome**

The Vice-Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed members of the public, new Councillors and the locum Clerk

580. **Apologies**

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies of Councillor Kyle, the Chairman due to illness and Councillor Ferriter who had concerns regarding the lawfulness of the meeting.

The Vice-Chairman, Councillor G Dinsdale chaired the meeting.

581. **Declarations of Interest**

None received

582. **Public Session**

2 members of the public indicated their willingness to assist the Parish Council with the initiative to progress high speed broadband in the Parish. Contact details were supplied.

Confirmation was provided to another member of the public who enquired whether the defibrillators were being checked.

583. **Minutes**

- a) It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2021 were taken as read, approved and signed by the Vice-Chairman as an accurate record.
- b) It was **RESOLVED** that draft minutes of the meeting would be published to the website and noticeboards within 7 working days.

Signed _____

Date _____



District and Borough Councillor Reports were received before Councillor Reports but are recorded as per the agenda order

584. **Councillor Reports**

- a) South East Bassetlaw Forum Meeting report was **NOTED**
- b) Bus Service Improvement Plan report was **NOTED**

585. **District and Borough Councillor Reports**

District Councillor A Coultate:

- An effort to pause the Bassetlaw Local Plan to stop development in smaller villages and increase the size of the proposed garden village had been unsuccessful.
- That he had attended the West Burton Community Forum for former power stations at West Burton and Cottam. The forum is not a public meeting but interested residents can get in touch with him directly
- Items stolen from Woodbeck had prompted a wider discussion with the recently elected Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the absence of rural policing. It was pointed out that there is no Police presence in Woodbeck.
- A request to log issues via the portal and should there be a need to refer the concern to Councillor Coultate to pass on the portal number.
- Councillor Coultate has available a local community grant of £1,000 for local community initiatives which must be inclusive.
- In response to a question, it was confirmed that there is no executive summary of the Bassetlaw Local Plan

County Councillor J Ogle

- Picked up on the various Bassetlaw Local Plan consultations and flagged that there are concerns about Retford being used as a rat run; the rejection of housing at Cottam due to the lack of infrastructure and that the Local Plan is Worksop centric with little consideration of Retford. The Retford Civic Society has submitted its response following scrutiny of the proposal Local Plan against Government policy which found several discrepancies.
- The need for rural policing has once again been raised with Police and Crime Commissioner. The Police has recently had partial success apprehending a set of poachers.
- In response to a question, a 50mph speed limit on the A57 was not considered to be too low.

586. **Planning**

- a) Planning Applications considered:
21/01361/TPO – Works to trees covered by a TPO G10 (Horse Chestnut) removal of branches obstructing camera monitoring car park only at Rampton Hospital.
It was **RESOLVED** that there was no objection to this application



b) Responding to Planning Applications going forward

It was **RESOLVED** that planning applications will be considered by Council and appear on the agenda. If the planning application cannot be considered because of time challenges then the decision will be delegated to the Chair plus 2 other Councillors.

c) Responding to Bassetlaw District Council Local Plan 2020-2037 Consultation

It was **RESOLVED** to delegate the response to the Chair plus 2 other Councillors

d) Responding to Bassetlaw District Council Community Infrastructure Levey (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule Consultation

It was **RESOLVED** to delegate the response to the Chair plus 2 other Councillors

587. **Committees**

Council discussed what it was trying to achieve and different options. Instead of a Parks and Recreation Committee a better way forward, allowing more flexibility, might be the creation of a Friends of Group from within the community that could make representation to the Council. It was agreed that an HR Committee was advisable.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would prepare a draft Terms of Reference for an HR Committee for the October meeting

588. **Finance**

a) Bank Signatories

It was **RESOLVED** that Councillors Eddy, Ferriter, G Dinsdale, Lancaster and Cobb would be added to as bank signatories.

b) Signing the Declaration

Councillors Eddy, G Dinsdale, Lancaster and Cobb signed the declaration. Due to absence Councillor Ferriter's signature will be progressed at a later date so as not to hold up the changes. As the only remaining signatory, the Chairman, Councillor Kyle was unable to attend the meeting due to illness so Councillor Kyle will sign the declaration as soon as she is able to.

589. **Planters**

Whilst the planters still look good, it was agreed that a small amount of winter planting would be required. There are already bulbs in the planters.

It was **RESOLVED** that up to a £100 budget plus any donations Mrs Ferriter has received. Councillors Cobb and Lancaster will provide a list with corresponding pricing of what plants need to be ordered from the garden centre.

590. **Meeting Requests**

a) Nottinghamshire County Council Plan Development, Engagement Session

There were no Councillors available to attend either date

b) Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils AGM

The Clerk was asked to confirm the time and venue for the meeting on 17 November 2021



591. **Staffing**

- a) Resignation of the Village Hall Warden
Council **NOTED** the resignation and thanked the Village Hall Warden for his time and on behalf of the public
- b) Resignation of the Clerk
Council **NOTED** the resignation and acknowledged the scale of working knowledge that was being lost. Again, an appreciation of the Clerk's time from the Council and the public was made
- c) Recruitment of a locum Clerk
Council **NOTED** the appointment

Before Council **RESOLVED** to go into a Confidential Session. The next meeting would be at the Mike Harris Centre in Woodbeck on Monday 11 October at 7pm

592. **Confidential Business**

- a) Appointment of a new Village Hall Warden
It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with the preferred candidate
- b) The locum Clerk's working arrangements and employment terms
It was **RESOLVED** to proceed according to the advice received
- c) The recruitment of a new Clerk
It was **RESOLVED** that Council would review the associated documents at its October meeting

The meeting closed at: 9:08pm