

Rampton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Rampton at 7.30pm on Monday 10th June 2013.

Members Present: Cllr Rebecca Sheppard
Cllr Muriel Arden
Cllr Pam Hawkins
Cllr Edward Morris
Cllr Jeff Rickells
Cllr Serena Baines

Also Present Catherine Brines
8 Members of the Public
County Councillor John Ogle
Clerk of the Council

Apologies: Cllr Martin Lazenby
PC Bailey

1. Members Present/Apologies

As above.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr E Morris & Cllr J Rickells - Moorpool & Pinder Charities

3. Approval and signing of minutes of meeting held on 13th May 2013

Approved

4. Police Report

PC Bailey advised that the crimes for the Parish since the last meeting were as follows:

14 May 2013 a garage was broken into on Laneham Street and an unsuccessful attempt was made to take the vehicle from within.

5. Highways

Had a reply from Laura Summers regarding the condition of Torksey Ferry Road (byeway). Clerk was asked to write again as Cllr Hawkins had been down Torksey Road and said it was in a terrible state, also mention about the public footpath in middle of the Village.

The slowdown sign at Woodbeck was still facing the wrong way, Cllr Rickells informed the meeting that the County Councillor Ogle had someone to look at it and it was thought that it should be moved further back. The Hospital have written to ask for a meeting, the Clerk was asked to write a letter to support this.

Someone had been out to look at the pot hole outside the Pub and the one opposite the Sports field but had heard nothing back yet.

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6. Moorpool/Pinder Accounts

Cllr Rickells reported the balance in the Charities as follows:

Moorpool	balance	£3007.03
Pinder.	balance	£2240.65
Coles Charity	balance	£3306.22

There was some discussion about the old playing field as nothing had been done with it. It was thought that it was a designated a sports field but no one was certain whether there had been a change of use. Some research needs to be done to ascertain if this was the case.

7. Planning

A letter about Planning Application Appeal has been circulated to all Councillors. No other information has been received, the Clerk was asked to write to Bassetlaw District Council to ask for details which led to the refusal of the permission. Until then the Councillors felt unable to comment.

8. Car park for Sports Field

A meeting was had with Kate Biggs, Dave Askwith, Dave Alban and some of the Parish Councillors on Thursday 6th June at the Sports field. The original plan was not quite accurate and it seems there is a problem with the entrance. There needs to be at least 43 meters splay on either side of the entrance for safe access and egress from the site, the hedge would need to be cut on one side.

Going onto the field they are happy for it to be tarmacked 5 meters in and only the width of the entrance.

Need to drop the kerb so require a quote for that from BDC, could also ask them about the tarmac as well.

Nothing can be done until the entrance and car park is sorted out

Cllr Rickells, Cllr Morris to measure the entrance in the morning to see if there is the required 43 meters splay on either side.

9. Risk Assessment

Cllr Hawkins to have a look at this. It was felt that a Health & Safety Policy was needed and an annual assessment carried out. Need to look at ROSPA to see if we can get a quote to have an assessment done.

It was suggested that we approach Mr Dodds or Mr Slinger (Safety Officer) to see if they would do the annual checks. The Clerk was asked to write to them.

10. Open Session

A member of the public asked a question about the Rural Development Plan and the plan to build new houses on plots of land in the Village and what

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provision had been made for sewage. The Council said this had been over two years ago and to their knowledge nothing had happened since. They were asked if the plan for more houses was raised again then the Planning Committee was asked to raise this issue as a priority.

Cutting of hedges was mentioned earlier in relation to the Car park at the Sports field, a member of the Public pointed out that this was illegal at this time because of birds nesting. This was acknowledged.

Planning Application Appeal brought up see under Planning

11. Accounts

The final accounts were presented, however due to problems with not having a Clerk for number months the time it had taken to get the books in order had not left much time for us to get them to the External Audit. The Councillors went through them and were happy to agree them.

Cheques presented for signature

Cheque no. 1404 Ulyett – Grass cutting £50.68

Cheque no. 1405 Barrie Doyle Handyman wages & expenses £315.69

12. Any Other Business

The Handyman had resigned as Village Warden, but had offered to continue on a voluntary basis until another Handyman could be found. The Clerk was asked to write to him and thank very much for all his hard work over the years.

It was agreed to advertise for the post of Handyman, Cllr Hawkins had agreed to write a job description for the position and see if we could get it advertised in Roundabout.

Cllr Sheppard went to the consultation on transport proposals, they are looking at Woodbeck but the funding looks very poor for next year, they are doing the best they can. County Councillor Ogle had made them aware of what goes on in this area.

A letter has been sent along with a cheque to Helen Cobb previous Clerk and the key to the Notice Board had been received back.

A letter had been sent to the Bowls Club regarding the draft lease and e-mail response had been received back saying it was the responsibility of the Parish Council to draw up the Lease. This was acknowledged. Cllr Baines to amend the draft lease with the agreed points incorporated into it then bring it back to the next meeting for agreement.

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Cllr Shepard asked for the contact details list to be updated and circulated to all the Councillors.

Cllr Sheppard asked that the Emergency Plan be looked at and re-evaluated and updated.

Cllr Sheppard asked for more commitment from Councillors to make every effort to attend meetings and to let the Clerk know if they could not attend meetings.

13. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 8th July 2013 at 7.30pm

Meeting ended at 9pm