

Rampton Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on 12 January 2004

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

1 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mellors, Rickells, Smith

2 Declarations of Interest

None.

3 Minutes of the meeting held on 8 December

Approved.

4 Matters Arising

a) Provision of sports facilities in the village

The Clerk reported that he had advised Chris Moxon that the Council wants the planning application to be submitted by no later than the end of January. The Chairman commented that the meeting with Chris Moxon on Thursday 15 January is an opportunity to make this point forcefully.

b) Street names

The Chairman reported that Cllr Smith had advised that the Emergency Services' maps are based on information supplied by Bassetlaw District Council. The Council decided to come back to this issue in a couple of months.

c) RADAR

The Council noted that there is a meeting of the group on 13 January.

d) Standards Board – the Code of Conduct in practice video

With Cllr Mellors.

e) Post Office/DVLA

The DVLA had supplied contact details for the Post Office; however, the Post Office had now replied that Rampton Post Office does not meet its criteria for being able to issue vehicle excise licences in terms of outlet size and, particularly, hours of trading.

f) Visit to Cottam Power Station

The Chairman reported that members had enjoyed a fruitful visit to the Cottam on 7 January. The Station Manager had explained that FGD equipment is to be fitted to all four units with the intention of reducing harmful emissions, particularly acid rain. The Council noted that the station is likely to make a substantial profit from selling gypsum. The Council also noted an open invitation from the Manager for members to spend a day at the Station. The Clerk was asked to send a letter of thanks to the Station Manager.

5 Planning

a) Correspondence

- Bassetlaw District Council – Planning the Future, issue 1 – The Council noted that this booklet had been issued following the first stage of consultation about the Local Plan.

b) Applications considered by the Planning Committee

None.

c) Decisions

- Erect extension, Ivy Nook Cottage, Laneham Street – approved
- Erect extension, Kennels Cottage, Woodcarr Meadows, Woodbeck – approved
- Change of use to provide dwelling & offices, Northfield Farm, Woodbeck – approved

6 Village Hall

Nothing to report.

7 Accounts

a) Audit of 2002/03 accounts

The Council noted the satisfactory conclusion of the audit of the accounts for 2002/03. The Clerk reported that the conclusion of the audit had been advertised, as required by statute. The Clerk reported that he had returned Hacker Young's invoice which had been incorrectly submitted in the sum of £250 + VAT, instead of £120.

b) Receipts

The Council noted the following receipt:

	£
Lafarge Aggregates – surface rent	909.08

The Clerk was asked to write to Wardell Armstrong to ask about the current position at the quarry. In particular, members queried whether it was contractually correct for Lafarge to be paying surface rent at agricultural prices and to be using the quarry for industrial purposes.

c) Christmas Lights

The Council agreed to pay £40 to Rampton PCC to cover the cost of electricity for the Christmas lights. The Clerk was asked to write to Arthur Hoyland thanking him and his helpers for erecting the tree.

d) Accounts for payment

The Council agreed the following accounts for payment:

	cheque	£
PowerGen	977	60.38
Wardell Armstrong	978	100.74
Pinder Trust	979	170.00
Moorpool Charity Trustees	980	40.80
Rampton PCC	981	40.00

e) Bank balances

After the above transactions the account balances will be:

	£
Current Account	3732.94
Nottingham Building Society	<u>62264.01</u>
	<u>65996.95</u>

e) Budget 2004/05

Bassetlaw District Council has confirmed its contribution and street cleaning grant for 2004/05. The Council discussed the revised draft budget previously circulated and decided that, in view of the possible expenditure on providing sports facilities, it had no option other than to increase the precept to recoup the reduction in the District Council's contribution. The Council resolved to set a precept of £3400 for 2004/05. With this amendment, the Council agreed the budget which is attached to these minutes and forms an integral part of them.

8 Correspondence

a) Nottinghamshire Police – Police Post Box

The Council discussed a letter from Inspector France asking for suggested locations for a Police post box which would need to be fitted to an inside wall. The Council decided to take no action. The Council the noted that PC Pete Gilbert is now police officer for the village. He is based at North Leverton Police Contact Point, tel: 01909500999 ext 7370.

h) Bassetlaw District Council – Parish Councils Liaison Group Meeting

Bassetlaw District Council has arranged a further meeting of the Liaison Committee on Wednesday 14 January at Worksop to advise Parish Councils of alternative sources of funding. No councillor wishes to attend.

i) East Midlands Ambulance Service – Estates Strategic Review

The Council noted that the EMAS Trust Board now expects to be able to set forward proposals for the future use of its land and buildings by the autumn of this year.

j) Defra – Equine Issues

The Council noted receipt of a letter from the Rural Affairs Minister setting out details of a ten-year plan for the horse industry, horse passports, off road access for riders and a new horse website.

k) Bassetlaw District Council – Saturday collections of bulky domestic refuse

The Council noted that collections will be made on the following Saturdays:

17 January	28 February	10 April	22 May
3 July	14 August	25 September	6 November

l) Bassetlaw District Council – Property name

The Council noted that the new nursery at Woodbeck is named Shaping Futures Day Nursery.

m) Nottinghamshire County Council – Local Minerals Plan

The Council noted that the public inquiry to consider objections to this plan will commence on 20 April.

n) Documents for Inspection

The following documents were available for inspection by members:

- Notts ALC – Countywise
- Nottinghamshire County Council – By the Way
- Nottinghamshire County Council – Environment Department Annual Report
- Nottinghamshire County Council – Countylink
- Nottinghamshire County Council – Planning and Property Briefing

9 Any Other Business

a) Woodbeck Notice Board

The Chairman reported that will ask B Doyle to carry out repairs to this notice board.

b) Bus Shelter

Members commented on the large amount of graffiti on the inside of the bus shelter and agreed that the Chairman should ask B Doyle to repaint it.

10 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 9 February at 7.30 pm

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.15 pm.


9.2.04

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Budget 2004/05

Receipts

Precept	3400
BDC Contribution	1976
Street Cleaning Grant	848
NCC Grant	238
Rents receivable	1882
Other income	54
Interest received	<u>1600</u>
Total Receipts	<u>9998</u>

Payments

Clerk's salary	2012
Handyman's wages	1024
Grass cutting	1330
Village Hall - running costs	1500
Village Hall - refurbishment	3000
Post Office	300
Grants to village organisations	1500
Section 137 Payments	300
Professional fees	4000
Administrative costs (see below)	1410
Miscellaneous	<u>1000</u>
Total payments	<u>17376</u>

Balance at 1 April	63298
Add receipts	9998
Less payments	<u>-17376</u>
Balance at 31 March	<u>55920</u>

Administrative costs

Insurance	850
Audit Fee	120
Clerical expenses	340
Other	<u>100</u>
Total administrative costs	<u>1410</u>