

Rampton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held in the Village Hall, Rampton at 7.30pm on Monday 9th December 2013.

Members Present: Cllr Rebecca Sheppard
Cllr Muriel Arden
Cllr Pam Hawkins

Cllr Edward Morris
Cllr Jeff Rickells

Also Present Catherine Brines
Ivor Lewin
5 Members of the Public

Clerk of the Council
Village Warden

Apologies: Cllr Martin Lazenby
Cllr Serena Baines
PC Bailey

1. Members Present/Apologies

As above.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr M Arden – Village Hall
Cllr E Morris – Bowls Club
Cllr J Rickells – Bowls Club

3. Matters Arising

3a Approval and signing of minutes of meeting held on 11th November 2013

Approved

4. Police Report

No report received from PC Bailey.
There was an attempted break in into a garage on Tresswell Road

5. Highways

The sign going towards Tresswell had been straightened at long last.

Woodbeck slow down sign

A group of people had been out to look at these and take some measurement should know more after the meeting on the 19th December 2013.

Sundown Adventureland had applied for a diversion of Tresswell Footpath No1B to divert the footpath around the car park instead of through it. There were no objections to this as technically it was outside of Rampton Parish.

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School Keep Clear Entrance Markings a letter had been received regarding the above which would affect Rampton Primary School. It was proposed that there would be no stopping Monday to Friday 8am to 4.30pm and no waiting at any time restrictions. The letter was read out to the meeting (copy attached) any observations on these proposals had to reach Nottinghamshire County council by 23rd December 2013.

Bus Shelter in the Village

The light still does not work and the shelter itself is in need of repair. The Clerks was asked to write to Highways about this again.

6. Planning

a) Correspondence

b) Applications:

Cottam Power Station: Variation of conditions 7,9 and 15 of Planning Permission to allow for the use of temporary mobile floodlighting during the winter; continuation of certain PFA deposit activities at the south coal stocks ash lagoon and temporary stockpiles 24 hours a day seven days a week; and updating plans to show all approved internal haul routes, associated with the disposal of pulverised fuel ash (PFA) by means of land raising on the south lagoons and maintaining PFA disposal operations in the south coal stocks lagoon.

No objections raised to this

44 Orchard Drive, Rampton: Proposed Single Storey Extensions to Rear and side of existing dwellings. 13/01289/HSE.

This was looked at and briefly discussed unfortunately the deadline for comments had been missed.

The Haven, Main Street, Rampton: Variation of condition Two of P/A 12/01023/FUL to allow a Change in design, size and position of the garage and design of the house. 13/01347/VOC.

This was discussed; Councillor Rickells had sent a letter of objection to David Armiger about this (copy attached). He had asked a question which he had hoped to have an answer to so he could bring it to the meeting. He had not heard anything to date.

There were objections raised about the size of the plot and the proximity to neighbouring residents and the public footpath. They felt it would be blocking light on both sides as it was too tall. They had raised these concerns before. It was felt there would be an issue with parking. There was great concern that it was already outside of the original footprint of the original bungalow.

The Clerk was asked to write to Planning with the Parish Council's objections.

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7. Sports Field

Lease: The Bowls Club had had the lease looked at legally and would like to have it on the original 21 year lease with registration of the land as they had concerns over the 7 year roll over. Councillor Morris had contacted Mr Morton at Dean & Thomas and had a discussion about this and he said it was the Solicitors opinion that in years to come everything will have to be registered and this would be the best option.

There was a discussion about this issue, opinion was divided. The Clerk was asked to write back to the Solicitor for clarification and see what they recommended either the 7 year roll over lease or the 21 year lease. His answer would be brought back to the next meeting possibly in January 2014.

John Lacy had replied by –mail to the letter send to him saying that unfortunately the budget which is used for charitable contributions has been allocated for this year so there was opportunity for them to assist us with the project until possibly next year.

Councillor Arden had been in touch with John Lacey to see why we had missed out on the funding and was told that they were not happy about the Planning issues that had been raised. Also they were now an ENTRUST and were receiving more applications from a wider area and as such the application needed to be more formal.

Councillor Arden said she would be willing to put the application together now we had more than one sport interested. As well as the Bowls Club she could look at the Football Club as well and put a package together. She would also look at WREN to see if there would be any funding available from them, also Sport England.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Notts Diagonals Football Club to ask them what their business plan would be and to liaise with Councillor Arden.

8. Risk Assessment

Councillor Sheppard had found a safe which would be adequate for the Parish Councils needs; it was big enough to accommodate 3 Box/Lever Arch files, it was fire resistant for up to 30 minutes, anti-theft, key rather than combination and could be bolted down. The cost was £277. Councillor had also looked at a two drawer lockable filing cabinet at £44.39.

It was suggested that 2 filing cabinets be purchased, one for the Clerk to keep at home (they are small enough to transport in a car if there was a change of Clerk) and one to be keep in the village Hall and the safe, this was agreed by the meeting.

It was suggested that they wait until the cabinet and safe arrive then see where would be the most convenient place to put them in the Village Hall.

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Councillor Hawkins had been reading through past minutes and had found a couple of references to the books in and the Enclosure Award in the minutes from 1998. Then there had been a reference to the books in the 19th June 2000 minutes saying it had gone to the Solicitors Tracey Barlow Furness. The Clerk had written to Tracy Barlow Furness but had not received a reply as yet, the Clerk was asked to go back and chase this up. The Clerk had written to the Archives at Nottingham as well and they had replied that they did not have them..

9. Emergency Plan

Councillor Sheppard had found a willing Emergency Plan Coordinator in Mrs Van Nieuwenhuyzen, also Pete Weaver was happy to work with Woodbeck Residents Association if we already have something in place. The Plan which had been sent out looked good and would not need changing however there would be a lot of work to be done to implement it.

The Clerk was asked to send a copy of the plan out to Mrs Van Nieuwenhuyzen and Pete Weaver.

10. Open Session

Mrs Van Nieuwenhuyzen handed out a copy of the proposed landscape scheme plans, they were looking at a flower meadow and pond and the RSPB were helping with advice. A copy of the Tree grant scheme was given to Mrs Mrs Van Nieuwenhuyzen to see if they could get a grant for the native trees they wanted to plant. Although this was dependent on the appeal for the planning permission being successful.

The state of the bus shelter was brought up saying that it was in urgent need of repairs and painting. The willow tree stump just behind it had never been drilled out so looked a mess and gathered rubbish.

A Dog fouling along Laneham Road to Orchard Street was still a problem with the bags being hung on the hedge.

The seat against the Bus Stop was in dire need of repair as the timber had rotted. The Village Warden was asked if he could have a look at it and put a quote in for the repair.

11. Accounts

Cheques presented for signature

Cheque no. 1489	HMRC Tax Clerks Sal (posted dated)	£ 105.00
Cheque no. 1490	Clerks Sal (posted dated)	£ 420.00
Cheque no. 1491	FCC Recycling UK Ltd (Wren match)	£ 491.59
Cheque no. 1492	Village Warden Salary (posted dated)	£ 113.58
Cheque no. 1493	Rampton Village Hall Grant	£ 500.00

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Cheque no. 1494	Woodbeck Community Centre Grant	£ 250.00
Cheque no. 1495	Rampton Church Grant	£ 400.00
Cheque no. 1496	Village Warden for PPE Jacket	£ 20.95

The current balance in Nat West was £10,855.58.

12. Any Other Business

Village Hall –The WREN application for the Grant was successful.

Tree on Tresswell Road opposite the council houses is overgrown and leaning over the road and is considered dangerous. The Clerk was asked to write to Highways about this.

Parking is an issue, a letter had been received from a resident about parking on the path which he considered to be dangerous.

One of the Parish Councillors would have a word with some of the drivers to see if the situation could be made better. Also a letter would be sent to the Police as well about the Parking issues in the village.

Correspondence

Bassetlaw Council Tax Reduction Scheme letter the Clerk was asked to circulate it round to the Parish Councillors

13. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 13th January 2014 at 7.30pm

Meeting ended at 9.08pm