

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF RUSHWICK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2013 AT 7.30 PM IN RUSHWICK VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Mr A. Deakin (Chair), Mrs V. Wigglesworth, Mrs V Bennett, Mrs M. Rowley, Mr F Langbridge and Mr J Baker

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk

1. Apologies for absence: Mrs P Haywood (Holiday) and Mr I Parker (Work Commitments) - both accepted. County Councillor Mr Grove, District Councillors Mr Swinburn and Mr Bass (MHDC Meeting) – received.
2. Declaration of Interests
 1. Members were reminded to update their register of interests.
 2. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary: None
 3. Other Disclosable Interests: None

To consider written requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011): None requested.

There were no questions for Public Question Time.

4. Minutes: To consider the adoption of The Parish Council Meeting of Wednesday 11th September 2013. Having been previously circulated, these were signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.
5. Progress Reports: Matters arising from previous minutes and review of Action Plan.
No matters arising. A request was made to write to the railway company to request the vegetation overgrowth on the railway bridge be cut.
6. Parish Lengthsman Scheme: An update on the Lengthsman's work as per his worksheet was reported.
7. Reports from representatives:
 - 7.1 County Councillor: Mr Grove: No report available
 - 7.2 District Councillors: A monthly report had been distributed.
 - 7.3 Report from Village Hall Committee: Mr Deakin confirmed the website was available.
 - 7.4 Footpath Officers report: No report available
 - 7.5 Report from Playscape: Mr Deakin reported that the football contract between the Parish Council and Oldbury Park Tigers Football Club is waiting to be finalised. The locks to the bollards require attention. The Council resolved to delegate powers of authority to the Clerk and Chairman to proceed with the replacement of the gate posts to the entrance of Playscape.
 - 7.6 School Representatives Report: Nothing to report
 - 7.7 Police Report – No Crime Statistics were reported for the month of August.
8. Finance
 - 8.1 The payment of accounts as per schedule were authorized. In addition two further cheques were authorized for payment 1. Rushwick Village Hall – Hall Hire - £66.50 (cheque no. 101179) and Mr. M Griffin – Car Park Security - £100.00 (cheque no. 101180)
 - 8.2 Budget Monitoring to 30.09.13 – For Information

9. Planning: The following comments were made to planning application no.13/01075/HOU - No Objections

The Council resolved to proceed to purchase a projector and memory stick up to the value of £250 for the use of electronic planning applications implemented by MHDC.

10. The Council unanimously voted to name the road of the new development at Claphill Lane -
 - Three Quarter Mile Way (and if this was rejected)
 - Herons Close as a second choice
11. The Council resolved to replace the litter bin located by the Cricket Club. Clerk to order new bin.
12. Correspondence for Information: Circulated for information.
13. A meeting took place with the Staffing Committee to conduct the Clerk's Annual Review. The Council resolved to award the Clerk her annual pay increments plus an additional increment as recognition for achieving her CILCA qualification.
14. Councillors' reports and items for future agendas:

It was reported that haulage traffic is still travelling through the village to and from the Claphill Lane Development. Mr. Deakin to report to site foreman as not permitted.

Mrs. Bennett reported fly tipping of fir trees left in a gateway on A4440 on approach to village.

A request was made for an overgrown hedge to be cut located from the bus stop leading up to the affordable housing.

Meeting closed at 9.50pm
S Baxter (Clerk)
10th October 2013

