



RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of M. Peters (Chairman), M. Baum, T. Armitt, M Davis, D Long, K Weyman

Attendees: Clerk/RFO M Hinde, and 2 members of the public

- 11.04.22.1** **The Chairman will formally ask if anyone is intending on recording or filming the meeting.**
There were no requests to record or film the meeting.
- 11.04.22.2** **To receive comments from the public - no decisions will be made on issues raised. Any items requiring decisions will be added to the agenda for the next meeting (NB Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business that are not specified on the agenda (LGA1972 Sch 12, paras 10(2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119)**
Resident 1 – Asked to speak on item 11 on the agenda once it comes up and the Chairman **AGREED**.
They also raised the issue of overgrown hedges in the parish again and asked if the chairman will meet him on site to see the issues. The chairman **AGREED** to attend.
- 11.04.22.2** **To note apologies for absence**
Cllr Allen sent his apologies
- 11.04.22.3** **To receive declarations of interest for items on the agenda below (Localism Act 2011) and to confirm the meeting quorate**
There were no declarations of interest and the meeting was declared quorate
- 11.04.22.4** **To confirm and agree minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 28 February 2022**
Council APPROVED minutes for the Parish Council Meeting held on 28 February 2022
Proposed Cllr Davis **Seconded** Cllr Baum
- 11.04.22.5** **To receive Clerks Report and agree actions**
The Clerks report was given as per **APPENDIX 1**.
- 11.04.22.6** **To receive County Councillors report and agree actions**
The County Councillors report was reviewed as per **APPENDIX 2**.
Council expressed disappointment that the bus service was failing.
- 11.04.22.7** **To receive District Councillors Report and agree actions**
None received
- 11.04.22.8** **Finance, all documents circulated prior to the meeting**
- 11.04.22.9a** **To approve Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitoring Report Up to 31st March 2022**
Council APPROVED Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitoring Report as per **APPENDIX 3**
Proposed Cllr Baum **Seconded** Cllr Armitt
- 11.04.22.9b** **To consider and resolve to agree Payment List and payments made since last meeting.**

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Council **APPROVED** payment list totalling £1152.44 as per **APPENDIX 4**

Proposed Cllr Long

Seconded Cllr Armitt

- 11.04.22.10 To review the handling of social media and agree actions**
Cllr Long **AGREED** to handle the social media for Ripple Parish Council
- 11.04.22.11 To review the quotes and to discuss the possibility of installing white village gates in Ripple**
Council **AGREED** that the Clerk should talk to County Councillor, District Councillor and highways to see if any funding towards the gates could be secured. Council **AGREED** to add this item to the agenda of the next meeting.
- 11.04.22.12 To receive an update on the lottery grant application for the litter bins and agree Actions**
Council confirmed that the lottery grant application had been submitted.
- 11.04.22.13 To discuss the purchase of Smart Water for the Naunton defibrillator and agree actions**
Clerk is waiting for a quote for smartwater to just cover the defibrillator. Council did not believe there was enough interest in the parish to cover 75% to meet the requirements of the grant.
- 11.04.22.14 To discuss footpaths and agree actions**
Cllr Armitt reported that the gate at the top of the field as you go down Ryall Court Lane has a broken restraining bar. The chairman advised he would speak to the footpath officer.
- 11.04.22.15 To review quotes for the VAS and agree actions**
Council reviewed the quotes and advised they would base the application to the police commissioner based on the Elan City quote. Council **AGREED** the new VAS will be fixed on the Ryall Road and be purchased with a solar panel. Cllr Baum will complete the application form.
Proposed Cllr Davis **Seconded** Cllr Armitt
- 11.04.22.16 To discuss the request for money from Worcestershire County Council for the trees on the roundabout and agree actions**
Council **AGREED NOT** to send money to Worcestershire County Council for the trees.
- 11.04.22.17 To discuss the bus shelter on Ryall Road and agree actions**
Council **AGREED** for the Clerk to contact the handyman to see if he can repair the bus shelter. If the handyman is unable to help a contractor should be contacted to quote.
- 11.04.22.18 To discuss the following planning applications/appeals made since the last meeting and agree actions:**
- 11.04.22.18a M/22/00024/HP Ferndale Cottage, Ryall Road**
Ripple Parish council had **NO OBJECTION** to this application
- 11.04.22.18b M/22/00337/HP Bluebell Close, Ryall Grove, Upton**
Ripple Parish Council had **NO OBJECTION** to this application
- 11.04.22.19 To receive agenda items for the next meeting of the council**
White Gates
Roundabout Artwork

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Bench – Jubilee Memorial

11.04.22.20 **Date of Next Meeting : Parish Council Meeting 23rd May 2022**

Meeting Close: 20:20

Signed _____

Date _____

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APPENDIX 1

Clerk Report

- Ripple Noticeboard** Ordered but need final confirmation on whether a text panel is required or not? Had some email replies.
- SLCC** My membership is due for renewal. Please can you approve the membership fee. I have split this between my 4 councils and it is £53.75 per council
- Bench** It has been brought to my attention that the bench on the A4104 by the noticeboard has been broken. I will get some quotes and add to the agenda of the next meeting.
- Annual Parish Meeting** So far I have dropped an e-mail to the following:
WI
Church
Footpath Officer
Harriet Baldwin
Police
The only person I have heard back from is the foot path officer who is unable to attend but will be sending a report. I have sent polite reminders to the others to respond
- Grass Cutting** Still struggling to get the invoice for WCC paid. I can not find a copy of the agreement in the file and WCC don't seem to know about it. I have emailed previous clerk to see if she has any details. Invoice is for a total of £942.00
The grass cutting contract has now been amended and the areas for Platform housing removed. The cost is now £325.00 per cut.
- VAT** VAT reclaim submitted for £1846.86



APPENDIX 2

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MARTIN ALLEN

EMAILED REPORT TO RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL APRIL 2022

Good evening Council, I am sorry that I could not attend this evening, it was my mother's funeral today. Please see my report below.

A3A4014 NEW ROUNDABOUT

There is a CLG meeting recently, it seems that things are going well. The night closures that were planned last month were cancelled due to bad weather should be starting tonight.

As I have previously reported to you, I have already asked if the Ryall Road could be closed to through traffic during these nights, it has been made clear to me that the Ryall Road is going to remain open, Highways will not agree to close it, sorry.

COMMUNITY ACTION MINIBUS

I am in discussions with WCC and Community Action about extending the service to include three more months, taking us into July 22. It is possible that WCC may contact you and Upton Town Council to ask for a small contribution, I hope you will consider this if such a request is made. To help the numbers of users increase, I have agreed the Severn Stoke is to be included. Also, I am in discussion with my neighbouring Gloucestershire County Councillor in the hope she will also agreed to part fund the minibus, subject to it calling into Twyning and Stratford Bridge.

I urge you to keep letting residents know about this service.

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FAILED COUNTY COUNCIL BUS BID

You may know by now the WCC entire bid for the 84 million pounds for a planned overhaul of the Bus Services in Worcestershire has been rejected. The Department for Transport has said that bids that lacked ambition would fail.

I am trying to get more information from the ruling administration as to how this will affect us all. To be honest, I am very fearful of what First Worcester Bus reaction will be, as soon as I have news, I will of course relay it to you.

A4104 CROSSING

Currently there is no news, but I understand that the main contractor for the new roundabout has now been approached to see if they are willing to carryout the work on the new crossing before they leave the area.

BOW FARM

Again, this been delayed in going to the Planning and Regulatory Committee we still do not yet have a date when it will appear. I understand the delay is a legal matter to do with a new extraction application "RIPPLE EAST" which very close to the Bow Farm site.

CEMEX

This is again delay, WCC are now waiting for more information.

RIPPLE EAST

This is a new extraction application which will go out to consultation as from 14/04/22, your council will be consulted. You will have 35 days to respond. This is longer than the normal 30 days; to allow for the easter break.



The new site proposed is north of Bow Farm, near Cemex, and immediately next to the east of Ripple. The extraction proposed is for sand and gravel, this is to be transported by barge and the site if passed it is expected to be in use for two years.

Regards

Martin.

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APPENDIX 3

7 April 2022 (2021 - 2022)

Ripple Parish Council

Prepared by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Approved by: _____ Date: _____
Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

	Bank Reconciliation at 31/03/2022		
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2021		23,794.21
	ADD Receipts 01/04/2021 - 31/03/2022		29,319.81
			53,114.02
	SUBTRACT Payments 01/04/2021 - 31/03/2022		29,725.24
A	Cash in Hand 31/03/2022 (per Cash Book)		23,388.78
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements		
	Petty Cash 09/09/2021	0.00	
	Deposit Account 31/03/2022	15,057.60	
	Current Account 31/03/2022	8,331.18	
			23,388.78
	Less unrepresented payments		
			23,388.78
	Plus unrepresented receipts		
B	Adjusted Bank Balance		23,388.78
	A = B Checks out OK		



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**Ripple Parish Council
Detailed Budget Summary**

7 April 2022 (2021 - 2022)

All Cost Centres and Codes (Between 01/04/2021 and 31/03/2022)

Expenditure	Code	Title	Last Year				Current Year 2021 - 2022				Next Year 2022-2023		
			Receipts		Payments		Receipts		Payments		Receipts	Payments	
			Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Actual	Forecast	Budget
	7	Subscriptions							1,200.00	845.68			850.00
	8	Newsletter/Adverts/Flyers/Me							1,500.00	270.00	24.55		1,000.00
	9	Donations							750.00	85.98	7.82		108.00
	10	Insurance							600.00	567.27	51.57		567.00
	11	Grass Cutting/Trees							5,000.00	5,033.83			3,300.00
	12	Lengthsman							3,000.00	3,810.00	346.36		3,500.00
	13	Chairmans Allowance							100.00				100.00
	14	Prof Fees/Audit							750.00	440.00	40.00		700.00
	15	Clerks Expenses							500.00	275.05	25.00		600.00
	16	Clerks Salary							6,250.00	7,521.50	683.77		8,300.00
	17	Annual Public Meeting							750.00				750.00
	18	Hall Hire							250.00	96.00	8.73		250.00
	19	Repairs							500.00				500.00
	20	Vehicle Activated Sign							200.00				2,000.00
	21	Recreation Ground Refurbishi							2,000.00	1,640.00	149.09		2,500.00
	22	Tree Survey/Maintenance							1,500.00	50.00	4.55		1,000.00
	23	Website							1,000.00				1,000.00
	24	Admin/Training							1,000.00	120.30	10.94		716.00
	25	Clerks Equipment							1,000.00	1,088.37			500.00
	27	DEFIBRILATOR								500.00			660.00
	28	BUS											
		SUB TOTAL							500.00	31,850.00	24,223.98	1,352.38	28,901.00

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APPENDIX 4

Payee	Description	Amount
Lengthsman	Feb and March Worksheets	640
M Hinde	Mileage - 86*0.45	38.7
Smart Cut	Grass Cutting	325
SLCC	Clerk Membership	53.75
McAfee	Virus Protection 2 Year	94.99

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