

**Minutes of the Meeting of Ripple Parish Council
held at Ripple Parish Hall on 8th April 2019 at 7.00pm
in order to consider the following business:**

Minutes

Present:- Cllrs Armitt, Blake, Davis, Dearden, Jones, Sutton, Weyman
Worcester County Councillor Middlebrough, District Councillor Owenson
In attendance:- Mrs V Portch - clerk

1. Apologies - Apologies for absence received from Cllr Aldridge reasons approved.

Declarations of Interest:

- a. To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature. None
2. b. To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature. None

Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or an Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) (b) of the Code of Conduct, must leave the room for the relevant items.

3. Minutes – The minutes of the meeting held on 11th March 2019 were reviewed, approved by those present and signed by the Chairman.

All

Proposed by: Cllr Jones Seconded by: Cllr Dearden

To receive report from District Councillor.

4. Cllr Owenson reported that the Dig Away site on the A38 was subject of enforcement action. In addition the new building on site does not comply with plans submitted and will be subject to a retrospective application. MHDC were keen to engage with local and parish councils to create town centre plans. The new reception and call centre at MHDC Council House will be operational from May 2019. Cllr Jones requested clarification about the planning status of the 70 houses at the Marina site. In particular the emergency entrance for use if the A4104 was flooded. Cllr Owenson to report back.

Cllr Owenson

To receive report from County Councillor.

5. Cllr Middlebrough reported that Hannah Davies Highways Officer had been off sick since her site meeting with Councillors. It was agreed that the grit bin in Uckinghall will be resited. The Naunton road sign for the A38 south had been inspected and a new luminous replacement was on order. A4104 flood defence roadworks should be concluded by the end of May 2019. The RPC bench that was removed at the commencement of the works would be relocated at an appropriate location on the A4104 between Ryall and Upton. WCC have set up a new company "Worcester Children First" that will be responsible for the running of childrens' and school services with effect from September 2019. Cllr Middlebrough thanked the Chairman for his assistance and contribution during the past two years. Cllr Middlebrough left the meeting at 7.40pm.

Cllr Middlebrough

Progress reports from:

Clerk:

6. General administration of correspondence emails and post. Uploading of documents to WCC website. Discussions regarding Section 106 funds for Recreation Ground refurbishment project and potential other projects. Application drafted and submitted to Fortis. Monitoring of new "@rpcworcs.co.uk" email accounts for all councillors. Discussion with Cemex regarding potential funding application and assistance with Recreation ground

Chairman /Clerk

renovation project. Discussion with McDonalds staff at Strensham Services regarding litter pick. Clerk attended MHDC presentation evening for local election arrangements. Clerk distributed election documents packs to councillors and interested parties, retrieved and submitted completed forms to MHDC offices.

Management:

Management Group, joined by Cllr Aldridge met to review on-going issues and set agenda for this meeting. Review of minutes of last meeting. Further discussion regarding feasibility of potential projects for Section 106 funding within parish, review of comments from WCC & MHDC regarding request for confirmation of receipt of funds from Taylor Wimpey (CIL/Section 106 contribution). Chairman attended Upton Town Partnership meeting. Discussion regarding review of trees within parish. Chairman, Cllr Jones and clerk attended a meeting at Ryall Road/A4104 on 20th March with WCC Highways Officer Hannah Davis and County Cllr Middlebrough to review various issues and formalise request for pedestrian crossing on A4104. Ryall Road traffic calming, bus stop and road adoption and signage discussed. Grit bin at Uckinghall "badger" bridge inspected.

Finance:

Cheques from last meeting distributed. Ledger updated.

Payee	Amount	Detail
M Tomkins	£96.00	Lengthsman - March

Proposed by: Cllr Armitt

Seconded by: Cllr Weyman

Cllr Jones reported that the tree surgery on the Recreation Ground had been completed. The invoice would be circulated to Councillors for approval by email. On receipt of confirmation of approval from each Councillor by email the clerk will raise a cheque for Bolton Tree Surgeons.

Urgent Decisions:

Cheque raised for the clerk in respect of expenses and retirement gifts purchased as agreed for CALC staff (2). (Invoice supplied)
 Approved by Cllrs Aldridge, Blake and Jones. Cheque signed by Cllrs Blake and Jones.

Proposed by: Cllr Jones

Seconded by: Cllr Weyman

Staff and Training:


Nothing to report.

Planning:

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Status</u>
<u>19/00151/HP</u>	Rosedale House Ryall Lane Ryall Upton Upon Severn Worcester WR8 0PN	Extension to rear of existing detached garage.	Approved
<u>18/01491/HP</u>	1 School Lane Ripple Tewkesbury GL20 6EU	Erection of a 2 storey side extension.	Refused
<u>19/00040/FUL</u>	Land At (Os 8622 4044) Ryall Meadow Ryall Upton Upon Severn	New 5 bedroom dwelling including garage and associated landscape	Pending decision

7. To receive report from Footpaths Officer.
 No report received.

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- Clerk reported that the footpath at Ferry Lane had been raised with WCC.
- Section 106 Funding Update & Recreation Ground Landscaping.
8. Cllr Jones advised that there was nothing to report. Chairman/Cllr Jones
Cllr Owenson to raise the question of section 106 funds relating to the Pennywell estate and date of first occupation with MHDC officers.
St Marys Church Ripple.
9. Cllr Blake reported that a draft constitution had been received and would be reviewed. Cllr Blake will meet with a member of the church council on 9th April. Chairman
Approximately £250,000.00 is estimated to be required to maintain and repair the fabric of the building over the next 8 years.
Bow Lane Gravel Extraction Update.
10. It was agreed to invite a representative of the Cullimore Group to attend a meeting to provide further information regarding the proposed extraction plans for Bow Lane. Test pits have recently been dug on the site. Chairman
Lengthsman Recruitment & Grass cutting 2019.
11. Advertising to fill the vacancy continues. It was agreed that SmartCut Ltd would be engaged on a month by month basis to cover the vacancy. All
Litter Pick Spring 2019.
12. A date post APM to be agreed. Strensham services are unable to spare staff over the Spring Bank Holiday period due to pressure of work. Chairman/Clerk
"rpcworcs" Email Accounts for Councillors.
13. Individual accounts had been activated with the exception to two members who agree to address this matter. It was agreed that the new accounts would be adopted after the elections and APM. It was also agreed that the old Ripple Parish Council website would be shut down. Clerk
Local Elections – May 2019 & Annual Parish Meeting.
14. Clerk reported that all documents had been delivered to MHDC. Chairman
The Chairman reported that Cllr Aldridge had indicated his willingness to take on the role of Chairman, if elected at the AGM. Cllr Jones would remain as Vice Chairman. Subject to approval at the AGM.
Councillor comments and items for next agenda.
15. Cllr Jones proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for all his efforts over the past twelve years. All
The Chairman thanked Cllr Dearden for her contribution.
The meeting concluded at 8.15pm.

Public Question Time:-

From 7.00pm residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman, before the start of the Parish Council Meeting.

Two residents of Ripple advised that there was interest in the provision of a play area in Ripple. Cllr Jones indicated that a suitable venue would need to be acquired. Cllr Owenson advised that once a proposal had been formulated the possibility of Section 106/CIL funds could be explored. The clerk will provide a copy of the consultation document prepared for the recreation ground for reference.

Date of Next Meeting – Monday, 13th May 2019 – Ripple Parish Hall

Signed:

Date: 13th May 2019

VICE Chairman Ripple Parish Council