



RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting of Ripple Parish Council held on 17th October 2022 at Ripple Parish Hall

Attendees: M. Peters (Chairman), M. Baum, T. Armitt, M Davis, K Weyman

Present: Fourteen members of the public

17.10.22.1 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.

17.10.22.2 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)

Residents from Naunton raised two questions.

1. Concern was expressed about the land in Green Lane Naunton, where work had been taking place levelling the land. This land had been the subject of enforcement previously. There was also concern about Asbestos on the site. Cllr Davis confirmed that she had already been in touch with the Enforcement Officer, and that he had visited the site and spoken to the contractor. He will be checking with the owner re their intentions for the site. The District Councillor confirmed he was aware of the situation and was awaiting updates.
2. Residents were concerned about the speeding traffic in Naunton, which is narrow lanes and tight bends. They queried the speed limits on the roads as from the A38 at 50mph, the turn into Naunton becomes 60mph and then down to 30mph in the village itself. Advice was given on the possibility of forming a Speedwatch Group and the concerns regarding the Speed limits were noted and will be queried with Highways. As much of the traffic seems to be going to Strensham services, RPC will contact them regarding access.

17.10.22.3 To note apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr D Long and Michelle Hinde Clerk/RFO, minutes to be taken by the Cllr Baum.

17.10.22.4 To review co-option applications and agree actions

Council reviewed co-option application form from Matt England and **AGREED** to co-opt him onto the council.

Proposed Cllr Armitt **Seconded** Cllr Weyman

Matt signed his acceptance of office and joined the meeting.

17.10.22.5 To receive declarations of interest for items on the agenda below (Localism Act 2011) and to confirm the meeting quorate

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There were no declarations of interest, and the meeting was declared quorate.

17.10.22.6 To confirm and agree minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5 September 2022

Council **APPROVED** minutes of the parish council meeting held on 5th September 2022

Proposed: Cllr Armitt **Seconded:** Cllr Baum

17.10.22.7 To receive Clerks Report and agree actions

The Clerks report was received as per **APPENDIX 1**

17.10.22.8 To receive County Councillors report and agree actions

The County Councillors report was received as per **APPENDIX 2**

17.10.22.9 To receive District Councillors Report and agree actions

Cllr Owenson outlined the ward boundary changes due to take effect 2023 and confirmed that Ripple would be linked with Upton and that there would be two members.

He discussed the 5yr housing land supply figures which had been supplied incorrectly. The long awaited SWDP review is due to go before MHDC on 18th October. Public consultation will take place for 6 weeks from the beginning of November and it is scheduled to be approved by September 2023.

He also said that the Head of Planning has left due to ill health. There are issues with planning system at the moment which needs urgent improvement, and he has discussed this with the Chief Executive.

17.10.22.10 Finance, all documents circulated prior to the meeting

17.10.22.10a To approve Bank Reconciliation and Budget Monitoring Report Up to 7th October 2022

Council **APPROVED** bank reconciliation and budget monitoring report

Proposed: Cllr Armitt **Seconded:** Cllr Weyman

17.10.22.10b To consider and resolve to agree Payment List and payments made since last meeting.

Council **APPROVED** payment list as per **APPENDIX 3**

Proposed: Cllr Baum **Seconded:** Cllr Weyman

17.10.22.11 To discuss location of the litter bins

Council **AGREED** that the 3 240L Jubilee bins would be located in the three laybys on the A38

Council **AGREED** that the 5 Topsy Royale bins would be located 1. Naunton, near the Noticeboard, 2. Bow Lane, exact position still to be agreed, 3. By the seat opposite The Marina, 4. Outside Thoulds Barn, Uckinghall, 5. Ripple outside the Parish Hall.

It was also agreed that discussion concerning two further bins would be added to the December Agenda.

Cllr Weyman informed the council that the bins have been ordered and fitting costs would be approximately £2,500

17.10.22.12 To discuss the recreational ground proposal and agree actions

There was a positive response to the public consultation. Resident Tony Addison, who has been working with RPC on this project informed RPC that quotations for the

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work would be needed by the end of November to apply for a 40% grant for the work. Clerk to liaise with Cllr Davis and Mr Addison.
Projected start date will be Spring 2023.

- Proposed:** Cllr Davis **Seconded:** Cllr Armitt
- 17.10.22.13 To discuss the increased amount of traffic using Naunton as a cut through and agree actions**
This was covered during the public question time with Cllr Allen also indicating in his Report that he will arrange a site meeting with WCC highways regarding the speed limits and advised residents to write to the Police Commissioner.
- 17.10.22.14 To discuss funding for jubilee bench and agree actions**
The council discussed the Jubilee bench and felt that this should go ahead for the A4104 where the previous bench had been destroyed even if a grant was not available. The council also thought that a memorial bench on the recreation ground would be a good idea.
Council **AGREED** To review the cost of each bench.
- 17.10.22.15 To Approve newsletter**
Council **APPROVED** the newsletter and agreed the cost of £199 from the Original Copy Centre, for coloured printing on gloss paper.
Proposed: Cllr Peters **Seconded:** Cllr Armitt
- 17.10.22.16 To review quotes for the removal of the dead tree in Ryall and agree actions**
Council reviewed the quotes as per **APPENDIX 4** and **AGREED** to proceed with the quote from Beechwood Trees for £228
Proposed: Cllr Armitt **Seconded:** Cllr Weyman
- 17.10.22.17 To discuss flooding hardstanding and agree actions**
Dealt with in Councillor Allen's report
- 17.10.22.18 To receive an update on the artwork to be installed on the A38 roundabout**
Dealt with in Councillor Allen's report, who will also be attending a meeting concerning the Artwork on 20th October.
- 17.10.22.19 To discuss the following planning applications/appeals made since the last meeting and agree actions:**
- 17.10.22.19a M/22/00548/HP The Paddock Ferry Lane Uckinghall Tewkesbury GL20 6ER**
Application approved
- 17.10.22.19b 21/10092/FUL Land at (OS 8751 4007) Strensham Road, Naunton, Upton**
Correction to planning application number 21/01092/FUL
Application approved with Agricultural occupation condition.
- 17.10.22.19c M/22/01073/FUL Land at (OS 8637 4103) Furrow Close, Holly Green Upton**
The Council have forwarded their objection and the application is currently pending
- 17.10.22.19d M/22/00750/HP Ryall Mead, The Beeches, Holly Green Upton**
The council had **NO OBJECTION** to this application and recommended approval. The application has been approved



17.10.22.20 To receive agenda items for the next meeting of the council.

The chairman requested agenda items be emailed to the clerk.

17.10.22.21 Date of Next Meeting : Parish Council 5th December 2022



APPENDIX 1

Clerks Report 17.10.22

VAT – The VAT refund for a total of £1846.86 for financial year 2021/22 has been received

Planning Enforcement – Emailed planning enforcement regarding a complaint on Green Lane in Naunton. Enforcement advised - *I spoke with the contractor who stated that he was just employed to do maintenance and clearance works including levelling and clearing brambles. This wouldn't constitute development and would not be a breach of planning control, however I will contact the owner to ascertain what their intentions are with the land.*

There is also a concern regarding asbestos which has been reported to environmental health

Pre Payment Card – Having trouble setting up a pockitt account as I already have one setup under my name and address for another council. I have contacted Pockitt to see how this can be resolved. Once the prepayment card is sorted I will start the website.

Bins – Bins have been ordered 3 Jubilee 240l bins and 5 Topsy Royale Bins



APPENDIX 2

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MARTIN ALLEN

EMAILED REPORT TO RIPPLE PARISH COUNCIL OCT 2022

UPTON A38/A4104 ROUNDABOUT

Upcoming Works – October

There will be further nighttime road closures on all the approach arms from Monday 3rd October 2022 for approximately 12 weekday evenings, as they complete the final surfacing of the improvement.

Work scheduled:

Topsoil & landscaping – Sept/Oct 2022

Installation of road signage – Autumn 2022

All dates are subject to change, due to weather and Covid-19 Management

A4104 AVERAGE SPEED CAMERAS

Can I suggest you write to the PCC asking that he comes to a parish council meeting to talk about speeding and to request that “Average Speed Cameras” are installed on the A4104 to cover the Ryall Road junction and the proposed Pedestrian Island that is going to be installed at Holly Green.

I will be very happy to add my name to your letter.

MONUMENT/ARTWORK ON THE NEW ROUNDABOUT *ASK IN OCT FOR*

YET ANOTHER UPDATE

Can you let me know how this is progressing?

A4104 HOLLY GREEN REFUGE ISLAND.



23/09/22 I held a Teams meeting with Tina (WCC), we are now waiting for the Network Engineering Team to do consent to a "Departure from the standard" which should be 80m visibility each way at a crossing point and we are looking at departure to 60mish.

Timeline for the Crossing:

By end of October the speed assessments will be done, these results will help to determine to departure from the normal standard required. The pedestrian crossing count will be carried out at the same time.

WCC are still looking to carryout the work in March/April 2023, which must be a good sign.

HARDSTANDING FLOOD GRANT

Could the Parish Council please give me an update as to what is happening with the funds WCC provided through me that RPC were going to spend on Hardstanding.

VASS UNIT

I am very please to see the unit I paid for is now in action on the Ryall Road.

COMMUNITY ACTION MINIBUS

Thank you for the £50.00 for the Tewkesbury Community Bus, CB2.

Also the Upton Shuttle CB3 has started on 7th of October taking people into Upton, I hope that RPC will promote this.

RYALL NORTH (FISH MEADOW) AND BOW FARM MINERAL EXTRACTIONS

Following a conversation I have had with Steve Aldridge (WCC) the following is now to happen.

Ryall North is expected to come before the Planning Committee on Tuesday 25th of October 2022, with a site visit on 24th.

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WCC will be voting on the last third of the land, the rest was approved for mineral extraction years ago.

WCC will only be voting on the Mineral Extraction and the Land Forming of a Lake.

Any proposal for a Rowing Lake will be a MHDC matter, subject to a planning application being submitted.

BOW FARM is now expected to come before WCC planning committee on an unscheduled meeting, this has been called because of the back log. The meeting is now expected to be on Monday 31st of October 2022, with a site visit on the 28th.

RIPPLE EAST

The consultation period has now ended for this application.

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. I expect this to come before WCC Planning Committee early next year.

NAUNTON SPEEDING

I am aware to problems of speeding in Naunton, and I think that we need to have a site visit. Therefore I will be in touch with RPC and WCC Highways to arrange a suitable date/time to meet onsite and discuss options and also look at asking WCC to install a VASS Pole.

I would urge all residents to report all speeding problems to the Police. It is only the Police who have the power to enforce speeding. Personally, I would like to see the speed in built up areas dropped to 20mph. This is something I will continue to support and push for.

Regards

Cllr Martin Allen.

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APPENDIX 3

Payee	Reason	Amount
Lengthsman	August and September Payment	640
Smartcut	Invoice 18533 cuts on 06/09 + 20/09	780
Mr Cullwick	Ripple Defib - Battery + Pads	319.6
Total		£1,739.60



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Company	Price	Notes
Callows Tree Surgery	408	To fell and grind out stump
Stuart Worrall	300	To fell and grind out stump
Charles Breakwell	230 + VAT	To fell tree and grind stump to a depth of approx. 150mm
Beechwood Trees	228	Fell near to ground and grind out stump
Lengthsman	200	Fell Tree
Vale Trees	245	Fell Tree
MJ Treeworks	403.2	Fell Tree and grind out stump