

**Minutes of the Meeting of Ripple Parish Council
held at Ripple Parish Hall on Monday, 11th June 2018 at 7.00pm**

Minutes

Present: Cllrs Aldridge, Blake, Dearden, Jones, Sutton and Weyman
In Attendance: Cllr Paul Middlebrough & Mrs V Portch (Clerk)

Action

1. **Apologies** - Apologies for absence received from Cllr Owenson. Reason approved.
2. **Declarations of Interest:**
 - a. To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
None
 - 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** - To consider the approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2018. Minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2018 were approved by the meeting and signed by the chairman.

Proposed by Cllr Aldridge Seconded by Cllr Jones

4. **To receive report from District Councillor**

The chairman read a report provided by Cllr Owenson. The application for the Alpaca farm will be on the agenda of the Southern Area meeting. It was proposed that RPC would attend and make representations. Cllr Middlebrough had facilitated a meeting with the First Group to discuss the bus services to be held at County Hall, on 19th July at 10.0am. The petition organised by Cllr Owenson has been presented to Cllr Middlebrough. Cllr Blake would attend on behalf of RPC and provide comments on the proposed roundabout option for the junction of A38 and A4104. No further information available regarding the Bow Lane gravel extraction application. The issue raised by Cllr Blake on behalf of a resident regarding the new 50mph road markings and the noise nuisance create was under investigation and would hopefully be resolved promptly. It was noted that the traffic lights on the A4104 are not related to the raising of the road, they are as a result of Severn Trent works to repair a water leak. Cllr Middlebrough kindly offered to make a contribution from his ward fund towards the WW1 commemoration activities planned within the parish. The proposed combined management of the Fire and Police services by the Police commissioner were no further advanced. A judicial review had been lodged and the outcome awaited.

Cllr Blake

5. **To receive report from County Councillor**

Cllr Middlebrough provided an update on the proposed gravel extraction plans from the site off Bow Lane and provision of a processing plant to the rear of Puckrup Golf Course (Tewkesbury/Gloucestershire). To date no formal application had been received following the scoping. It was anticipated that an application would be submitted before the end of the year and appropriate consultation would follow. The County Councillor kindly offered financial support from his funds to assist in the provision of a commemoration of 100 years of the end of World War 1, it was agreed that Ripple Parish would discuss the possibility of a combined celebration to commemorate the event with other local parishes. A church service at St Mary's, wreath laying service at the war memorial followed by a public event at the village hall would be explored.

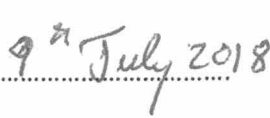
Clerk/
All Cllrs

8. **Ripple Annual Parish Meeting review**
Feedback from the Annual Parish Meeting was very positive, the meeting was well attended and provided plenty of debate.
9. **Bow Lane Gravel Extraction Update** Cllr Middlebrough
Covered by County Councillor's report.
10. **Section 106 Funding – Recreation Ground**
The initial review of the consultation on the recreation ground indicated that residents were not in favour of a childrens' playground, a preference to retaining the peaceful open space was indicated. Cllr Jones would update the MHDC planning officer concerned with an amended draft proposal in the region of £60,000 in order that the potential project could be attached to the 70 houses at Upton Marina application. Cllrs Blake/Jones
11. **Councillor comments and items for next agenda**
It was agreed that a new laptop computer should be purchased, together with the appropriate Microsoft Office Professional software and antivirus software. Clerk
Proposed by Cllr Blake Seconded by Cllr Jones
It was agreed that the domain "rpcworcs.co.uk" should be purchased and email accounts for each councillor set up. Clerk
Proposed by Cllr Jones Seconded by Cllr Aldridge
It was agreed that RPC would assist West Mercia Police in facilitating a meeting for all parish residents to promote the new initiatives to help protect the rural community. To include Horse Watch, Rural/Farm Watch, Smartwater. Clerk
Cllrs Sutton and Jones attended the recent UTP meeting, Cllr Sutton confirmed that the High Street in Upton would be closed for the Blues Festival. Cllr Sutton had met with the Chairman of UVT and requested a meeting of the committee, as yet this was not forthcoming. A further request would be made by Upton Town Council to UVT. Cllrs Sutton/Weyman
Cllr Weyman enquired if anyone was aware of a direct bus service between Worcester and Gloucester via Ryall. A local resident had requested the timetable should be posted on the noticeboards. No Councillors were aware of any such service.
It was agreed that Faye Dearden should be co-opted as a member of RPC. Documentation completed and signed.
Proposed by Cllr Jones Seconded by Cllr Blake
Clerk requested Cllrs review the "Welcome Leaflet" and advise of any updates they think appropriate. All Cllrs
Cllr Aldridge suggested that consideration be given to holding meetings at Beechwood Residential Care Home. Cllr Blake advised that the venue was under new management but a request would be made. Cllr Blake

Meeting concluded at 8.10pm

Date of next meeting – Monday, 9th July 2018

Signed: 

Date: 

Nicholas Blake – Chairman Ripple Parish Council

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