

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT THE MORRISON ROOM, VILLAGE HALL, BINLEY WOODS on WEDNESDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2013

PRESENT: Councillors P Salisbury, K Short, P Claisse, N Brinton, S Roberts, Mrs E Johnson, Mrs L Harbour and Mrs P Docker.

Question Time

Mr Mike Cannon attended the meeting as an observer but had no questions to raise.

**Minute
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12-13/121 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors P Howells (family commitments) and D Jones (family commitments), County/Borough Councillor Mrs H Timms, Borough Councillor Mrs B Garcia and Borough Councillor A Gillias.

No financial interests were declared

12-13/122 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING, DECISIONS TAKEN OUT OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th January 2013 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

The following decision was taken by the Clerk under delegated powers.

125 Heather Road – Redevelopment of existing bungalow incorporating the addition of a first floor, new dormers, new roof and erection of a two storey rear extension - Amended Plans – Following receipt of the amended plans the Parish Council's objection was withdrawn as the proposed rear balcony was no longer included in the application.

12-13/122 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES NOT ARISING ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

The Clerk circulated an email which had been received from the Correspondence Secretary of the Village Hall Committee which was duly noted.

12-13/123 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN 2013 - The Clerk circulated a letter which had been received from Rugby Borough Council which was duly noted.

12-13/124 ACCOUNTS, FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS OF THE COUNCIL

Accounts - The following accounts were submitted for payment: -

BT – Line Rental for Village Hall - £72.00
One Vision – Framing of Parish Map - £153.41

The above account was signed out of meeting.

J Cook - Clerk's salary and expenses – February - £384.81
HM Revenue and Customs – PAYE on Clerk's salary - £78.20
Rugby Borough Council – Litter and Dog Bins - £693.41
E.On – Street Light Repair – Lamp 126 Ferndale Road - £13.20
Zoom – Parish Map - £108.00
Zoom – Newsletter - £50.00
Village Hall Committee – Parish Council meetings 2013 - £143.00
Village Hall Committee – Parish Plan meetings - £53.00
BT – Phone Bill - £59.83
Royal Mail Group – Prepayment Services - £0.60

Financial matters – The Clerk informed the meeting that the Deposit Bond was due to mature in early March. IT WAS AGREED THAT the sum of £43,000.00 plus accrued interest be invested for a further period of 6 months.

12-13/125 REPORTS

Police; Neighbourhood Watch

The Clerk informed the meeting that PCSO Kenneth Wyer had left a message on the afternoon of the meeting stating that there were no incidents to report. Councillor Roberts reported on Neighbourhood Watch matters.

Borough Councillor's Report – In the absence of Borough Councillors there was no report.

County Councillor's Report – In the absence of Borough/County Councillor Mrs Timms there was no report.

Community Forum – There were no matters to report.

Primary School – Councillor Mrs Harbour reported that the Head Teacher had requested an Open Day in respect of the Parish Plan.

Youth Club – Councillor Mrs Harbour reported that new staff had been interviewed for vacant posts.

Football Clubs – The Chairman reported that due to the recent adverse weather conditions, the Football Teams were struggling to fulfil their fixtures.

Village Hall – Following Councillor Short’s decision not to be the Parish Council’s representative on the Village Hall Committee, Councillor Mrs Johnson agreed to take Councillor Short’s place.

Library – The Chairman circulated a letter which had been received from the Physical Assets Officer at Warwickshire County Council. IT WAS AGREED THAT the Clerk write to Warwickshire County Council in the following terms:-

1. The Parish Council is extremely annoyed in the shoddy way in which Warwickshire County Council has dealt with the Parish Council in this matter. There has been a total lack of goodwill, discussion and communication throughout. In particular, given the closeness which the County Council and the Parish Council are expected to network with each other, the Parish Council is at a loss to comprehend why a simple phone call was not made to the Chairman informing him that the Parish Council had been unsuccessful with its bid. The Parish Council finds it totally unacceptable to hear that its bid was unsuccessful from a third party.
2. The Parish Council request that when the land is sold, the Purchaser agrees to covenants being entered into the Deeds to ensure that the land is only used for community purposes and under no circumstances is it to be used for residential development. These covenants should be binding on the Purchaser’s successors in title.
3. As regards the £40,000.00 payment. The Parish Council require the money to be deposited in the Parish Council’s Bank on completion of the sale. The Parish Council will enter into an agreement with the County Council whereby the funds will be ring fenced for appropriate community projects. At present, projects are being identified in the draft Parish Plan. Any unspent money plus interest will be returned to the County Council 5 years after the funds have been deposited. The reason for this request is that the Parish Council would in all probability seek match funding. In past applications it has been a requirement from prospective fund providers that the Parish Council produce Bank Accounts to substantiate that it can provide its own share of the funding.

12-13/126 NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

The following application had been received

233 Rugby Road – Proposed erection of roof extension to side incorporating first floor extension to rear. Erection of single storey rear extensions – IT WAS AGREED THAT the Parish Council raise no objection subject to normal neighbour consultations and opaque windows being installed on the side elevation.

12-13/127 PARISH PLAN/SHELTERED HOUSING/NEWSLETTER

Councillor Short presented a report on the present position and reminded Councillors of future meeting dates. Councillor Short confirmed that he had passed the Newsletter to Councillors for distribution. IT WAS AGREED THAT the Clerk email PCSO Wyer thanking him for his assistance in distributing the Newsletter.

12-13/128 MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACES IN THE VILLAGE

Recreation Ground – There were no matters to report.

Village Green – There were no matters to report.

Allotment Gardens – There were no matters to report.

Remembrance Garden Initiative – There were no further matters to report.

Highway Verges – The Chairman informed the meeting that the contract for grass cutting for 2013 had been awarded jointly to Greenways Garden Services and ES Wright.

Litter and Dog Litter – The Clerk informed the meeting that the replacement litter bins in Woodlands Road and the additional Dog Litter Bin in the back field had been installed. The Dog bin had been placed in an inappropriate place and Rugby Borough Council had been instructed to relocate it. The Clerk confirmed that he had submitted an order to replace the damaged bin on the Rugby Road adjacent to Oakdale Road.

Tree Planting – Councillor Claisse reported on the present position

12-13/129 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

Highway repair and maintenance – IT WAS AGREED that the Clerk contact WCC to request that the numerous potholes throughout the Village be repaired.

Pedestrian Rights of Way – There were no matters to report.

Street Lighting – There were no matters to report

Hedge Maintenance – There were no matters to report.

Bus Services – There were no matters to report.

12-13/130 PARISH MAP

The Chairman and Councillor Short informed the meeting that the 300 copies of the Parish Map had been produced and delivered and would be distributed free of charge to one resident per household who attended the next Parish Plan Open Day. The Chairman had taken delivery of the framed Parish Map which was now displayed in the Village Hall.

12-13/131 REVIEW OF ACTION LIST NOT ELSEWHERE CONSIDERED

The Action List was reviewed and a revised Action List is attached to these minutes.

12-13/132 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – The next meeting of the Parish Council is to be held on Wednesday 20th March 2013.

CHAIRMAN

| | Action List | | Name | Complete |
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| 1 | Email PCSO Wyer to thank him for his assistance with the distribution of the Newsletter | | Clerk | |
| 2 | Email Rugby Borough Council to confirm location of replacement litter bin on Rugby Road at the junction with Oakdale Road | | Clerk | |
| 3 | Support residents if needed in representations to resolve the state of garages in Elm Close/Monks Road | | Clerk | |
| 4 | Keep Parish Council informed of progress of bid to Warwickshire County Council for acquisition of Library site | | Cllr Timms | |
| 5 | Email Correspondence Secretary of Village Hall Committee to confirm that the matters raised in recent email have been noted and placed in the Parish Council's records | | Clerk | |
| 6 | Contact Skate Park suppliers in respect of possible noise reduction options | | PS | |
| 7 | Keep Parish Council informed of progress of various enforcement issues | | Cllr Timms | |
| 8 | Contact County Council to request repair and reinstatement carriageway on Rugby Road due to increase in number of potholes. | | PS | |
| 9 | Arrange for the Notice Board, presently outside the Library to be relocated at the Recreation Ground | | PS | |
| 10 | Reconvene Recreation Ground Working Party | | PS | |
| 11 | Arrange Finance Working Party for April | | Clerk | |
| 12 | Obtaining quote for enhancing signage to eastern and western approaches on Rugby Road | | PS | |
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