

Rainow Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held 19th July 2016

Held at 8.00 p.m. in Rainow Institute

Present:

Councillors: John Cantrell (Chairman), Richard Balment, Ken Butler, Geoff Cooper, Sue Frith, Carole Harvey, Mary Marsh, Adrian McGuinness, Alan Taylor and the Clerk was also present.

1. **Apologies:** Councillors Katherine Beswick, Alan Brett (Vice Chairman), Nathan Gabbott and Ward Councillor Hilda Gaddum.

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meetings**

845-852 RESOLVED that the minutes for the Parish Council Meeting dated 21st June 2016 were agreed as a correct record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Councillor: R Balment Seconded Councillor: A McGuinness All in favour

3. **Dispensations and Declarations of Interest**

None reported.

4. **Public Forum for Questions**

No public were present.

5. **Report from Neighbourhood Policing Team**

It was reported that the DNA kits should be available within the next couple of weeks.

6. **Report from the Cheshire East Ward Member**

No report presented.

7. **Outstanding Matters**

a) **Alternative mesh surface quotes for work in memorial garden**

Cllr McGuinness reported that he had arranged a meeting with a company which, deals in the manufacturer of mesh surfaces made out of recycled plastic/wood. A meeting has been arranged for Friday 22nd in the memorial garden. Cllrs Butler and McGuinness agreed to attend. Clerk to contact Cllr Taylor to see if he could be present.

Action: Clerk

b) **Rainow Parish Council Civic Service 25th September 2016**

Members considered arrangements for the Civic Service. Cllr Frith agreed to organise the food shopping and flowers. Clerk and Cllr Harvey to contact groups for cake contributions. Clerk to speak to Cllr Taylor about arranging crockery.

Action: Clerk

8. **Matters Arising**

a) **To consider displaced part of the banking on Stocks Lane**

Clerk to write to company and ask them to contribute to the repair of the grass verge.

Action: Clerk

b) **To consider repairs to telephone kiosk Mount Pleasant**

Clerk to ask Cllr Taylor whether he could fix the window pane in the kiosk.

Action: Clerk

c) **Transparency Fund**

Cllr Butler reported that the grant, to go towards a printer/scanner and software, had been received. The web manager is looking into appropriate hardware and software.

Action: Web Manager/Cllr Butler

9. **Correspondence**

a) **ChALC – Macclesfield Area Meeting Minutes 5th July 2016**

Cllr Butler reported that he had been unable to attend. Minutes were distributed to members. Cheshire East Councillor Jo Wise gave a presentation on the Macclesfield Town Centre Regeneration project. The original Silk Street scheme is no longer being progressed but, two other sites were identified as options on Churchill Way car park

and the Duke Street car park. It was determined that the Churchill Way site was the better option. Members were informed that surveys had been carried out and showed a 25% spare capacity in the car parks. Members were not happy with the proposals. Clerk to ask Cllr Gaddum whether she could shed some light on what is going on.

Cllr Lillian Burns spoke regarding the topic of “Double Devolution”. Cascading of greater spending powers and control over decision making to a more local level.

Action: Clerk

b) Macclesfield Highways Meeting – to agree attendance 1st September at 6.30 p.m.

Cllr Butler agreed to attend.

Action: Clerk

c) Police & Crime Commissioner Your Policing Priorities - 19 July 2016 – 17:30

Noted.

d) Traffic Report Church Lane

Members were informed that under the ACPO guidelines (Association of Chief Police Officers), for any speed enforcement the average speed limit from speed indication data needs to be 10 mph over the speed limit. At present the average speed is under this. The SID device is awaiting some repairs. A report will be sent for the next parish meeting.

e) Historic England listing of war memorial on the List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest ('The List').

Noted.

f) Peak Park Parishes Day – 24th September 2016

Cllr Cooper agreed to attend. Clerk to contact Cllr Taylor to see if he could attend.

Action: Clerk

g) Tour of Britain, B5470 surfacing – risk of injury

In response to Members concerns, regarding risk of injury, Cheshire Highways have reported that they are carrying out patching work along the route which, has been driven by engineers to identify areas which need attention. The routes have also been driven by the race organisers and their health and safety expert who, is pleased with the routes condition. They have highlighted two areas of concern which were in Middlewich and Knutsford. On the day police outriders will be managing the local traffic. There will be some disruption but only for an hour at least. Clerk to inform resident who had contacted the Council regarding this matter.

Action: Clerk

10. Finance

a) Quarterly Profit and Loss quarterly report for period April – June 2016.

853 *IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the quarterly Profit and Loss report for period April – June 2016. The motion was proposed by Cllr R Balment and seconded by Cllr C Harvey and agreed by the meeting.*

b) To consider adding additional signatory to the current and bonus accounts

It was agreed to add two other signatories Cllr Cantrell and Brett to the accounts. Clerk to enquire with Cllr Brett that he is happy to be included as a signatory.

854 *IT WAS RESOLVED to add two other signatories to the current and bonus accounts. The motion was proposed by Cllr R Balment and seconded by Cllr S Frith and agreed by the meeting.*

Action: Clerk

c) To approve the following receipts and payments:

Receipts: From

Cheshire Association Transparency Fund	BACS transparency funding - for computer hardware and software.	£430.00
Dr R Balment	CASH sales to Robin Hood – 10 maps and 10 walks booklets. Receipt 25	£18.00

Payments: To

KRIV	Contribution towards community repairs to footpath 41.	£250.00
<i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s137</i>		
S Etchells and Son	Lettering on notice board in gold leaf.	£100.00
<i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s137</i>		

Brian Foreman <i>Spending power : Public Health Act 1975, S164. LGA 1972 sch 14 para 27, Open spaces Act 1906 ss9 and 10.</i>	New soil and plants for the four tubs	£83.64
Mail Boxes Etc	Raven Issue 35 – printing 24pp A4 booklet – 2pp colour, 22pp B/W. Qty 610	£503.25
<i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s142</i>	Emergency contribution towards community bus repairs.	£400.00
Parish Plan Implementation Group <i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s137</i>	Raven Issue 35 – design and print ready artwork for 24 page Rainow ‘Ravens’ magazine thirty fifth issue – Summer 2016.	£315.00
Melanie Greenhalgh <i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s142</i>	Hire of hall for operation shield meeting.	£25.00
Rainow Institute <i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s111</i>	Hire of hall for Parish Council meetings March, April, May and June.	£120.00
Rainow Institute <i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s111</i>	Purchase of Rexal display pocket and divider.	£16.73
Arrow Business Machines Ltd <i>Spending power : LGA 1972 s142</i>		

855 IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the payment and receipts. The motion was proposed by Cllr M Marsh and seconded by Cllr A McGuinness and agreed by the meeting.

Cllr Butler thanked Members for the contribution, from the Parish Council, towards the Community Bus repairs.

11. The Raven

a) To approve Income and Expenditure report for Raven Newsletter up to 11th July 2016.

856 IT WAS RESOLVED to approve the Income and Expenditure report for the Raven up to 11th July 2016. The motion was proposed by Cllr M Marsh and seconded by Cllr A McGuinness and agreed by the meeting.

b) Raven Distribution List

Members discussed updates to the distribution list.

Action: Clerk

12. Planning

a) To agree comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications: None received.

b) For Information; Decisions and withdrawals this month:

Appeal for application 15/2354M - Bowling Green, Ingersley Vale

Cllr Cantrell reported that he had attended an appeal at Planning Committee Meeting on 6th July in Macclesfield. Bollington Town Council withdraw their objection to the application. Bollington Members have decided to take up proposal to pay for the moving of the bowling green to another location. Cllr Cantrell read out the Parish Councils objections to the application. He also pointed out that the bowling green is shared between Bollington and Rainow. This was checked and it was found that the bowling green was in fact in Rainow. The application was voted through.

13. Footpath Group Report

a) Footpath 73, across cattle grid, where there is no proper gate or stile

Members were informed that the cattle grid has been in situ for decades and pre-dates the definitive map. It is therefore classed as an historic structure and the Council cannot dictate to the landowner for its removal or to change it to another structure. Highways informed Members that there is not sufficient space next to the cattle grid to install a stile or pedestrian gate. The Enforcement Officer said he would broach with the landowner whether they could re-align the dry stone wall, next to the grid, to install a pedestrian gate. Councillors queried the lack of sufficient space for a stile when there has been a stile of sorts there. Members agreed that all they want a simple safe pedestrian access. Clerk to contact the Enforcement Officer.

Action: Clerk

14. Jubilee Playground Inspection Group Report

Cllr Marsh reported that she had met with Cllrs Taylor and Beswick in the playground and the playground is in need of a general tidy up. A meeting has been arranged for 13th August at 9.30 a.m. for a general tidy. Councillors asked if

they could try to attend to help out. A number of palings are in need of replacing and the timber, separating the wet pour in places, also is in need of some work. Clerk to arrange with Cllr Taylor to meet with contractor on site.

Action: Clerk

15. Parish Plan Working Group Report

The community bus is expected in mid-October. Cllr Butler reported that he will be putting together a questionnaire to residents requesting their opinion on producing a neighbourhood plan. He hopes to have it available for the Council to view in September.

Action: Cllr Butler

16. Councillors Reports - to receive Chairman's and Councillors' reports

a) Selecta DNA (Police Operation Shield)

Cllr Balment reported he was disappointed in have to wait for the kits but, will distribute as soon as possible once they arrive.

b) Overgrown hedges around Millers Meadow

It was reported that a polite note had been sent to resident asking them to cut their hedge as soon as is practical. This action was also agreed for another property.

Action: Clerk/Cllr Harvey

c) Other issues Reported:

- Cllrs Marsh and Balment reported that the water on Smithy Lane is not draining away. The gully needs clearing urgently.
- The wall at the top of Round Meadow is still in need of repair.
- Clerk to chase for action on dog bin for Smithy Lane.
- Clerk to chase replacement of rusty no parking sign outside Robin Hood.
- Cllr Balment reported that 30% of the road on Kiskill Lane was washed away and now need re-surfacing.
- The wooden sign for "bridleway to Bollington" on island outside Robin Hood is rotten and in need of replacing.
- The wall on island outside Robin Hood has been demolished by van and is in need of repair.
- The Rainow sign at the top of Bull Hill has disappeared and is in need of replacing.

Action: Clerk

d) Items for Next Meeting (Tuesday 20th September 2016)

Apologies from Cllr Marsh.

There being no other business the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 8.44 p.m.

Minutes agreed by Rainow Parish Council as a true record.

.....Chairman