

# Rainow Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> January 2016

### Held at 8.00 p.m. in Rainow Institute

**Present:**

Councillors: John Cantrell (in the Chair), Alan Brett (Vice Chairman), Richard Balment, Katherine Beswick, Ken Butler, Geoff Cooper, Sue Frith, Nathan Gabbott, Carole Harvey, Mary Marsh, Adrian McGuinness and Alan Taylor. The Clerk and four members of the public were also present.

1. **Apologies:** Ward Councillor Hilda Gaddum (due to Mayoral duties).

2. **Minutes of the Previous Meetings**

**797-805 RESOLVED** that the minutes for the Parish Council Meeting dated 15<sup>th</sup> December 2015 were agreed as a correct record and were duly signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Councillor: K Butler

Seconded Councillor: S Frith

All in favour

3. **Dispensations and Declarations of Interest**

It was noted that Cllr Cantrell has a distant relative working for Cheshire Demolition relating to the application at Four Winds Barn (Planning Application NP/CEC/1115/1129).

4. **Public Forum for Questions**

Residents expressed their support for the Robin Hood who have been told they should submit a Planning Application (retrospectively) for their timber decking. Members discussed how the Council could lend their support to the Robin Hood with residents. It was noted that the Parish Council registered the Robin Hood as a community asset around a year ago.

5. **Report from Neighbourhood Policing Team - PCSO Sarah Wilson**

**Suspicious Person**

18/12 – Calrofold lane – Person heard around the outside of the property – no one located on officer's attendance.

**Animal Concern**

26/12 – sheep reportedly worried and killed at a farm on Smith Lane.

**Burglary other**

07/01 – Outbuilding broken into on Calrofold lane and garden equipment taken. Gone between 5th-7th Jan.

**Theft of motor vehicles**

07/01 – Land rover defender stolen from Pedley Hill overnight of 6th-7th.

Theft from motor vehicle

07/01 – Clothing taken from a vehicle on Sugar Lane.

It was noted that PCSO Wilson had done some leaflets drops on the above and visited houses near the person who reported the burglary on Calrofold Lane. They are all aware to report any suspicious persons or vehicles. She has also spoken to anyone who owns a similar land rover and advised them of the recent theft and previous thefts over the past year or so. She has not heard back from roads policing about the data from the SID so she will chase this up. She also brought the SID back in over the weekend and will let us have the data as soon as she gets it.

Members discussed Rural Watch meeting 28th January at Blaze Farm organised by PC Lesley Long.

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

Nothing to report.

7. **Outstanding Matters**

Nothing to report.

8. **Matters Arising**

a) **Members Highways Issues**

- It was reported that scramble bikes are using bridle path Smithy Lane. Clerk to inform police.
- Rainow sign missing Bull Hill.
- Police sign at the top of Bull Hill needs turning around.
- Chevrons before Plungebrook still missing.

**Action: Clerk**

**b) To consider Extending flags (or to put down matting) in memorial garden to accommodate groups for remembrance service.**

Clerk to request quotes for one row (on right hand side) of stone flags in keeping with stone already in place.

*Action: Clerk*

**c) Locked Notice Board**

Clerk to enquire whether contractor has commenced work on notice board opposite Church. If not to cancel order and request quotes for locked notice board.

*Action: Clerk*

**d) Proposal for improvement of Smithy Lane**

Members agreed with proposed improvements. Clerk to write to Highways with proposals.

*Action: Clerk*

**e) To note and agree dates for meetings in 2015**

Noted that February meeting will be on the 23rd.

**806 RESOLVED to approve meeting dates for 2016. The motion was proposed by Cllr C Harvey and seconded by Cllr A Brett and agreed by the meeting.**

**f) Robin Hood Public House – Timber Decking**

Cllr Butler reported that CE Cllr Hilda Gaddum was involved and she had spoken to the Peak Park at a senior level. The publican proposes to put a retrospective application in by 1<sup>st</sup> February and is asking for letters of support from residents and the Parish Council. Members agreed to send a letter of support.

*Action: Clerk*

**g) Re-ordering of Church**

Cllr Balment reported that the Church are looking at ways of improving the wider functionality of the Church and providing a more flexible space. The Church Wardens have asked for a letter of support from the Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to send a letter of support.

*Action: Clerk*

**9. Correspondence**

**a) Council Approval of Taxbase**

Noted.

**b) Macclesfield Area Highways Group - Notes of meeting 18th November 2015**

Noted.

**c) Buckingham Palace Garden Parties 2016 - 19 May 2016**

It was agreed to enter Cllr Taylor.

*Action: Clerk*

**d) Police and Crime Commissioner**

Meeting of Parish & Town Council representatives on Tuesday 26 January 2016 at 6.30pm Crewe to discuss issues raised and actions undertaken from the last meeting. No one was available to attend.

**10. Finance**

**a) To Review Standing Orders and agree amendments if necessary**

**807 RESOLVED that no amendments were necessary. The motion was proposed by Cllr C Harvey and seconded by Cllr M Marsh and agreed by the meeting.**

**b) To Review Financial Regulations and agree amendments if necessary**

**808 RESOLVED that no amendments were necessary. The motion was proposed by Cllr C Harvey and seconded by Cllr R Balment and agreed by the meeting.**

**c) To review Asset register and agree amendments if necessary**

**809 RESOLVED that no amendments were necessary. The motion was proposed by Cllr N Gabbott and seconded by Cllr S Frith and agreed by the meeting.**

**d) To review Risk Assessment and agree amendments if necessary**

**810 RESOLVED** that no amendments were necessary. The motion was proposed by Cllr C Harvey and seconded by Cllr N Gabbott and agreed by the meeting.

**e) To review Insurance cover**

**811 RESOLVED** that no amendments were necessary. The motion was proposed by Cllr G Cooper and seconded by Cllr J Cantrell and agreed by the meeting.

It was mentioned that there appears to be a blockage to the water troughs at Brook House resulting in water coming through the wall off the fields. Cllrs Cooper and Cantrell agreed to put a rod up the drain and see if they could unblock it.

**Action: Cllrs Cooper and Cantrell**

**f) Resolution to approve Income and Expenditure and 12mth comparison reports up to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015**

**812 RESOLVED** to approve the Income and Expenditure and 12mth comparison reports up to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015. The motion was proposed by Cllr R Balment and seconded by Cllr Frith and agreed by the meeting.

**g) To approve the following receipts and payments:****Receipts: From**

Simon Gidion (Muddy Paws)	BACS - advertising Raven Issues R33 & R34	£59.00
Ian Brammer	Cash sales Raven R33	£10.00

**Payments: To**

East Cheshire Hospice	Donation for removal and disposal of Christmas Tree 2015	£25.00
<i>Spending power LGA 1972 s137</i>		
Arrow Business Machines Ltd	Cartridges and diary.	£92.75
<i>Spending power:LGA 1972 s142</i>		
Physio-Control Uk Sales Ltd	Items for defibrillator - Chargepak kit battery stick plus infant electrodes.	£307.50
<i>Spending power:LGA 1972 s137</i>		
Rainow Institute	Parish Council Meetings Nov & Dec	£60.00
<i>Spending power:LGA 1972 s111</i>		
Mail Boxes Etc	Raven 33 – printing 24 pp A4 Booklet Qty 610	£608.98
<i>Spending power:LGA 1972 s142</i>		
Mr C Vernon	Work in Jubilee Playground – material and labour. Order 10 - To replace chestnut fencing and posts where needed and handrail.	£350.00
<i>Spending power:LGA 1972 s137</i>		
Sarah Giller	Easily - 2 year extension for domain name renewal.	£29.99
<i>Spending power:LGA 1972 s137</i>		
Police Crime Commissioner	Operation Shield Packs.	£100.00
<i>Spending power:LGA 1972 s137</i>		

**813 IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the payment and receipts. The motion was proposed by Cllr C Harvey and seconded by Cllr M March and agreed by the meeting.

**11. The Raven**

**To approve Profit and Loss report for the Raven Newsletter up to 12th January 2016.**

**814 IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve the Profit and Loss report for Raven up to 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016. The motion was proposed by R Balment and seconded by Cllr S Frith and agreed by the meeting.

**12. Planning****a) Planning Meeting regarding Permitted Development**

Cllrs Balment and Butler agreed to meet with the Planning & Enforcement Manager. Clerk to arrange a mutually convenient meeting.

**Action: Clerk**

**b) To agree comments for return to the relevant authority for these new applications:**

NP/CEC/1115/1129 – Four Winds Barn, Macclesfield Road, Rainow. Conversion of barn to a two bed dwelling.

**815** The following comment will be sent to the Cheshire East Council **“Resolved that Rainow Parish Council have no objection to this application.”** The motion was proposed by Cllr C Harvey seconded by Cllr A Brett and agreed by the meeting.

**c) Noted for Information; Decisions and withdrawals this month:  
None to report.**

**13. Footpath Group Report**

Cllr McGuinness reported that the footpath signs are still down on FP7 and FP9. Clerk to chase action.  
**Action: Clerk**

**14. Jubilee Playground Inspection Group Report**

It was reported that there is a build up of leaves behind the fence and that the dog fouling sign is starting to peel away.

**15. Parish Plan Implementation Group Report**

Nothing to report.

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

- Permissive WC sign for members of the public. To be discuss at the next meeting. (J Cantrell)
- Queens Birthday. To be discussed at the next meeting. (J Cantrell)
- Cllr Cooper reported that he is struggling to register for £350 satellite broadband voucher. Members asked to try and register in time for the next meeting.
- Reported edging stone fallen off on wall behind Round Meadow sign. Members thought the wall belongs to house next to the wall. Cllr McGuinness to ask the owners.

**Action: Clerk**

**17. Items for Next Meeting (Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2016)**

- Proposal for dog bin Smithy Lane end of the Bridle path. (A McGuinness)
- Permissive WC sign for members of the public. (J Cantrell)
- £350 satellite broadband voucher. (G Cooper)
- The Queens Birthday. (J Cantrell)

**PART TWO**

To consider passing a resolution under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (Section 100(a) of the Local Government Act 1972) to exclude the public and press from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.

**There being no members of the public or press present the meeting could continue.**

**New Year 2017 Honours – to consider nominations. (Deadline 4th February)**

Members agreed to submit a nomination.

**Action: Clerk**

There being no other business the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and declared the meeting closed at 9.43 p.m.

**Minutes agreed by Rainow Parish Council as a true record.**

.....Chairman