

# RAINWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 9<sup>TH</sup>  
FEBRUARY 2012 at 7pm.

## IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr's L Tift, V Stephenson, J Stephenson, A Armin, B Hardy, M Jefferies,  
J Saunders, M Buttery, P Cullen and J Middleton.  
Parish Clerk D Jones  
1 member of the public

The meeting was taped from 7pm.

The meeting was chaired by Cllr L Tift.

## APOLOGIES

Cllr J Bradbury

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr L Tift – Agenda item No14 Planning Applications

## MINUTES & MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the parish council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2012 (excluding Private & Confidential) were unanimously confirmed as a true & correct record by all members in attendance at the 12-1-12 meeting.

## MATTERS ARISING

None

## POLICE

Date of next Police Surgery to be held in the parish office – 15<sup>th</sup> February at 11am.  
Bullet points from the Safer Neighbourhood Group meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2012 received and noted.  
Cllr's M Jefferies and A Armin will inform the Clerk of the dates they will be available for mobile speed camera training.

## FINANCE & ACCOUNTS

The Clerk presented to the meeting a schedule of accounts up to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012 including payments to the total of £19,439.02 and remittance to the total of £7,150.62. It was proposed and resolved unanimously to approve the accounts and payments up to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012.

### Annual contract of IT services

Cllr M Buttery declared an interest and remained in the meeting.  
Quote from PCTEC support services for the annual contract of IT services. It was agreed to obtain two further quotes before proceeding further.

Signed..... Date.....

**PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY – NORTH WARD**

Notification from N.S.D.C advising the council that they have received the required 10 signatures from electors in the Rainworth North Ward and will now proceed with the election process. The date for the election if required will be **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2012**. Cllr M Jefferies voiced his disgust that an election had been called before Cllr Tagg’s funeral had taken place. The Chairman stated that after making enquiries, it appeared that the signatures had been gained by canvassing rather than a genuine desire to have an election as no candidates had been identified. Cllr M Buttery asked Cllr J Middleton why he had approached members of the public to gain the signatures, Cllr J Middleton stated that he had no comment and found the question offensive.

The cost of an election will be in the region of £2,000 to £2,500, if no candidates stand the election will be cancelled and there will be no further costs to the parish council.

**REVIEW OF INTERNAL CONTROLS**

The Clerk read aloud, the review which included, internal controls, effectiveness of the internal audit and the responsibilities of the Council and the Clerk. (Full copy enclosed in the office copy of the minutes). It was proposed and resolved unanimously that all internal controls and the statement of assurance were in order and to the satisfaction of the council.

**RISK ASSESSMENTS**

Risks Assessed

- Preston Rd playing field & play equipment
- Little John Drive playing field
- Amber & Pearl Close open spaces
- Village Hall play equipment
- Parish Office
- Garage
- Parish Clerk
- Handyman
- Finance
- Audit
- Insurance
- Street furniture/Christmas Lights/ Flower Baskets

The above have been risk assessed to the satisfaction of the council and on the whole have been found to be of low risk.

Concerns were raised regarding the condition of the metal goal posts on the Preston Road playing field and removal was recommended.

Signed..... Date.....

**PLAYING FIELDS & OPEN SPACES**

Cllr J Middleton will make arrangements for a skip to take away the rubbish that has been cleared by the Probation Service on the Amber Close field.

**TRANSPORT, HIGHWAYS, FOOTWAYS & LIGHTING**

Copy of notice for the proposals under Traffic Regulation Act 1984 re: Southwell Rd East, changes to the 40 mph speed limit to enhance the local environment and improve road safety received and noted.

It was noted that the quality of the grit that NCC had used on the roads and pavements during the recent icy conditions had contained a higher ratio of sand than in previous years. A request to refill all grit bins will be sent to NCC.

**ENVIRONMENTAL**

Work by Severn Trent is in progress on Warsop Lane.

The graffiti on the shop fronts at Sherwood Parade has been reported to Andy Statham at N.S.D.C.

**DONATIONS**

None.

**COMMUNITY MATTERS**

O.A.P Christmas Party – change of date

Further to a request from the VHMC due to the disruption of a regular booking, it was agreed to change the date of the 2012 O.A.P Christmas party. The party will now be held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

Maintenance agreement for new planting on Kirklington Road

The council unanimously agreed to the ongoing maintenance of the LIS hedge planting scheme on Kirklington Road.

Queen’s Diamond Jubilee

It was noted that both the VHMC and Rainworth Miners Welfare were in the process of organising events to celebrate the Queen’s Diamond Jubilee.

The Chairman reminded members that Councillor Hilda Tagg’s funeral would take place the following day at 11am.

Signed..... Date.....

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Cllr L Tift declared an interest and remained in the meeting.

Planning Applications - Rainworth Parish Council

11/01770/FUL	1 Manton Close	Parish Council support proposals
11/01792/FUL	Lurcher Public House	Parish Council support proposals
11/01544/FUL	Joseph Whitaker School	Parish Council support proposals
11/01795/FUL	Robin Hood Public House	Application received and noted

Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 3/98/0360 to allow an extension of time for the completion of operations until April 2016 at Rufford Sand Quarry, former Rufford Colliery Complex, Rainworth – Received and noted.

**VILLAGE HALL including Reps report**

Cllr B Hardy reported that planned work to improve the tea bar was underway and the floor resurfacing was due to take place on the 24<sup>th</sup> March. New lockable internal and external notice boards are due to be installed. The VHMC will shortly be advertising for a caretaker.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- N.S.D.C – Annual Parish Conference - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012
- N.S.D.C – Training Revised Ethical Framework - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2012
- NCC – Notts Minerals Local Plan Consultation - 27<sup>th</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012
- NCC – Flood Risk Management
- N.S.D.C – Community Emergency Volunteer Event - 28<sup>th</sup> February 2012
- NALC – Free Road Shows re: Communities and Neighbourhoods in Planning
- NCC – Approach to Localism
- N.S.D.C – Revised Ethical Framework
- Notification of Seminar on Neighbourhood Planning - 15<sup>th</sup> February 2012
- FOI Request re: IT Support Services- Reply Sent on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2012
- N.S.D.C – Principal Area Boundary Review

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was proposed and resolved 7 in favour 2 against 1 abstention that the next parish council meeting will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed..... Date.....