

# **RAINWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2012 at 7pm**

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cllr's L Tift, B Hardy, A Armin, M Jefferies, I Speller, P Cullen, J Saunders,  
V Stephenson, J Stephenson.

## **APOLOGIES**

Cllr's M Buttery, J Bradbury, J Middleton  
County Councillor Geoff Merry

The meeting was taped from 7pm.

In the absence of the Chairman the meeting was chaired by the Vice-chair Linda Tift.

Prior to the meeting all Councillors had been issued with a new copy of Rainworth Parish Council's Code of Conduct 2012 and amended replacement pages 7-16 of Standing Orders.

Prior to the start of the agenda items Cllr L Tift requested that Private & Confidential be added as agenda item 17. Unanimous.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12-7-2012 were confirmed as a true & correct record by all members in attendance at the meeting.

The Vice-chair signed the minutes.

## **POLICE**

Date of next police surgery to be held in the parish office – 4<sup>th</sup> October 2012 10am - 11am.

It was noted that although the police are now based in the village hall, there would be no counter service but they would be available to the public should the need arise.

## **FINANCE & ACCOUNTS**

A schedule of accounts including payments to the total of £14,343.00 and remittance of £7,155.64 was presented to the meeting.

It was proposed and resolved unanimously to approve the accounts and payments up to 31-8-2012.

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

**REGISTER OF MEMBERS INTERESTS**

The Monitoring Officer at NSDC has confirmed that Councillors signatures and their spouse/partners information will be blanked prior to being uploaded onto their website. The Parish Council’s link to the NSDC website will follow suit.

**CODE OF CONDUCT**

NALC have confirmed that minor changes to the Code of Conduct will be implemented after the next election and will not affect the present template. Cllr L Tift reminded members that they are required to promote and maintain high standards of behaviour whenever they conduct the business of the Council and advised Councillors to always look the part. Cllr L Tift stated that pursuant to Standing Order No.96, Councillors engaging in informal/formal conversations with individuals or groups must take care to differentiate clearly between the views which are the agreed policy of the Council and not those that are their own personal views. It was noted that Councillors receiving complaints from members of the public will now be required to visit or contact the office to complete a complaints form giving the precise details of the complaint and any action taken by the Councillor. This will then be entered into a complaints file for future reference.

**PLAYING FIELDS & OPEN SPACES**

New litter bin required for the Thoresby Road open space. Correspondence from Phil Beard (NSDC) regarding a resident request for the creation of a neighbourhood park in Rainworth read aloud and noted. Councillors discussed concerns from the VHMC regarding the condition and maintenance of the children’s play area at the Village Hall. The council will monitor the issues raised before proceeding further, it was hoped that the situation would improve now that the police were based at the Village Hall. Damaged playground sign on Preston Rd, removed by NCC, replacement has been requested. The new goal posts on the Preston Rd field to be installed in the next few weeks.

**TRANSPORT, HIGHWAYS, FOOTWAYS & LIGHTING**

The Clerk requested that Cllrs report missing street name plates and unlit lighting columns at each meeting on the sheets provided. Clerk to liaise with the police regarding speed gun training. Cllr L Tift asked Cllrs to make a note of any pot holes that required attention so that one list can be compiled and sent to NCC. Request for bus shelter seating – ongoing. Cutting back of vegetation on Southwell Rd East – ongoing. Lighting proposals – ongoing. Designated Public Places Order signs – ongoing. Notification of road closure – North Ave 09.30 -17.00 Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012 received & noted. NCC winter service offers including 5x free bags of salt received & noted.

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL**

Graffiti at Sherwood Parade part cleared. NSDC have issued Blow Opticians with a 215 notice to clear the graffiti on their building.

The owner of the ex public toilets has removed the graffiti and will continue to monitor the building.

**DONATIONS**

Rainworth Miners Welfare Trust – It was proposed and resolved to donate £500 towards Community Firework Display.

VHMC - Lift Prop – In abeyance until further enquiries have been made.

**COMMUNITY MATTERS**

It was proposed and resolved to accept the VHMC catering quote for the 2012 O.A.P Christmas party.

Cllr L Tift confirmed that the Citizens Advice Bureau outreach service had now returned to St Simon & St Jude’s church on Thursday mornings.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

12/00967/FUL, 12/00970/ADV, 12/00969/ADV	Tesco Stores Ltd	NSDC Approve
12/00813/FUL	5 Sycamore Close	NSDC Approve
12/00998/FUL	8 Derwent Close	NSDC Approve
12/00710/FUL	36 Preston Rd	NSDC Approve
12/01046/FUL	16 Westbrook Drive	P/C Support
12/01132/FUL	Lurcher Public House	P/C Support

**VILLAGE HALL REPS REPORT**

Cllr B Hardy reported that everything was going well at the Village Hall.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- NSDC – Localised Council Tax Support Scheme Consultation – Received & noted
- Meet the Friends of Tippings Wood leaflet
- NSDC – Feast of Nottinghamshire Fundraising Event
- NALC – Notification of AGM
- Richard Inman – Website Link Information
- NSDC – Parish Conference
- Notts Transport Services – Mansfield & Ashfield Transport Consultation

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

11<sup>th</sup> October 2012

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.

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

