

RAINWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10TH JANUARY 2013 at 7pm

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllrs: M Buttery, L Tift, B Hardy, V Stephenson, J Stephenson, J Saunders, I Speller,
M Jefferies, J Middleton, J Bradbury
County Councillor Geoff Merry
Parish Clerk D Jones

The meeting was taped from 7pm.

The meeting was chaired by Cllr M Buttery

USE OF PERSONAL RECORDING DEVICES DURING PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Chairman asked that all recording, broadcasting or transmitting devices be turned off for the duration of the meeting.

The Chairman read aloud correspondence received from Cllr J Bradbury regarding the use of his personal laptop during parish council meetings.

The Chairman read aloud Standing order No.11 to clarify, **(Photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is not permitted without the council's prior written consent)** to the meeting.

It was noted that Cllr Bradbury had not had the courtesy to ask for permission from the parish council to use his laptop during parish council meetings.

It was suggested that if Cllr J Bradbury had problems handling papers and making written notes during a meeting, an assesment from an appropriate body may be required to confirm this.

The Chairman stated that Cllr J Bradbury would not be allowed to use his laptop during the meeting.

Cllr J Bradbury said he would take the matter further.

Prior to apologies, the Chairman accepted a cheque on behalf of the Not Just Swimming group for a total of £2,000 donated by County Councillor Geoff Merry from his divisional fund towards the cost of the planning application for the project. The Chairman will pass the cheque to the group forthwith.

Cllr Merry then left the meeting.

APOLOGIES

Cllr's P Cullen and A Armin

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

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

Dispensation to allow members to speak and vote during the approval and setting of the precept until May 2015

The Chairman read aloud the recommendations from the dispensation sub-committee meeting held on 7-1-2013 which stated that without the dispensation, the number of members prohibited from participating would be so great a proportion of the body transacting the business it would impede the transaction of business and recommended Cllrs M Buttery, L Tift, M Jefferies, V Stephenson, J Stephenson, I Speller, J Saunders, B Hardy and J Middleton be granted a dispensation to allow them to take part in the discussion, vote and approval of the setting of the precept until May 2015 and further recommended that Cllr J Bradbury is not granted a dispensation and should be excluded from participating in any discussion, vote or approval of the precept until may 2015 on the grounds that he operates a business from his home address and therefore he has a further interest in the setting of the precept.

Cllr J Bradbury requested a recorded vote. Agreed

Cllr M Buttery moved to accept the recommendations made by the dispensation sub-committee seconded by Cllr M Jefferies.

Cllr J Bradbury moved an amendment to include himself in the vote seconded by Cllr J Middleton.

The amendment to include Cllr J Bradbury in the vote was taken first:

M Buttery - Against

L Tift - Abstention

M Jefferies - Against

V Stephenson - Against

J Stephenson - Against

J Saunders - Against

J Bradbury - For

J Middleton - For

I Speller - Against

B Hardy - Against

7 against, 2 for, 1 abstention

To accept the sub-committees recommendations:

M Buttery - For

L Tift - Abstention

M Jefferies - For

V Stephenson - For

J Stephenson - For

J Saunders - For

J Bradbury - Against

J Middleton - Against

I Speller - For

B Hardy - For

7 in favour 2 against 1 abstention - MOTION CARRIED

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

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 8-11-2012 were confirmed as a true & correct record by all members at the meeting.

The Chairman signed the minutes.

POLICE

Date of next Police surgery - to be confirmed.

Although no information regarding meetings to discuss the off roading events at the Desert have been received by the parish council it was noted that other bodies, including the police, were discussing the issues.

FINANCE & ACCOUNTS

A schedule of accounts up to 31-12-2012 including payments to the total of £9,926.26 and remittance of £610.37 was presented to the meeting.

It was proposed and resolved 9 in favour 1 against to approve the accounts and payments up to 31-12-2012.

Precept 2013/14

The District Council has determined that it will make a payment of £4,050 to Rainworth PC for 2013/14 to protect them against the net effect of adverse statutory changes in their council tax base. This amount will be paid along with the council's precept requirements for 2013/14 but further funding cannot be guaranteed for future years.

It was proposed and resolved 8 in favour 1 against to increase the precept for 2013/14 by 5% (£2,500)

MOTIONS FROM CLLR J BRADBURY

Withdrawn at the request of Cllr J Bradbury.

PLAYINGFIELDS AND RECREATION AREAS

Cllr M Jefferies will source play equipment replacement fixings.

Village Hall play equipment put in abeyance until further reports from NSDC have been received.

Clarification regarding playground signage to be brought back to the February meeting.

TRANSPORT, HIGHWAYS, FOOTWAYS & LIGHTING

Concerns regarding lighting irregularities, shrubery overgrowth on Southwell Rd East, vegetation overgrowth in various jitty's and pavement clearance at China Rose were discussed.

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ENVIRONMENTAL

NCC has confirmed that the junction of Thoresby Rd/Hardwick Avenue does not meet the required criteria for a grit bin. Cllr M Buttery will investigate further.

Cllr M Jefferies confirmed that he has requested the relocation of the bottle banks behind Tesco's.

Cllr M Buttery will speak to Marsden's regarding the unsightly area behind Tesco.

DONATIONS

Thank you letter received and noted from the Royal British Legion.

COMMUNITY MATTERS

Thank you card and thank you email regarding the O.A.P Christmas party received and noted.

NCC Local Improvement Scheme event invitation received and noted.

PLANNING

12/01400/FUL 62 Rufford Avenue NSDC Approve

Letter and email from the Not Just Swimming group re: Confirmation of repayment of all monies paid by the Parish Council on behalf of the Not Just Swimming group for the planning application for the project, received and noted.

VILLAGE HALL REPS REPORT

Peter Zackarian-Ball confirmed as the new Caretaker

Wedding fair planned

New regular dance nights have proved to be a great success.

CORRESPONDENCE

NSDC - Community Games Initiative

NSDC - Proposed Garden Waste Collection Scheme

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

14th February 2013.

Meeting closed at 8.23pm.

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

