

# **RAINWORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14TH MARCH 2013 at 7.00pm**

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cllr's B Hardy, V Stephenson, J Stephenson, M Buttery, I Speller, J Middleton, P Cullen, M Jefferies and J Bradbury.

County Councillor Geoff Merry (7.15pm)

Parish Clerk D Jones

Meeting taped from 7pm.

Meeting Chaired by Cllr M Buttery.

## **APOLOGIES**

Cllr's L Tift and J Saunders

No apologies were received from Cllr A Armin.

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members did not declare any interests at this stage of the proceedings.

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 14-2-2013 were confirmed as a true & correct record, 5 in favour, 3 against, 1 abstention.

The Chairman signed the minutes.

## **POLICE**

Date of next police surgery - Saturday 23rd March 10-11am.

Speed gun training - no volunteers came forward.

## **FINANCE & ACCOUNTS**

A schedule of accounts up to 28th February 2013 including payments to the total of £5,466.24 and remittance of £2.44 was presented to the meeting.

It was proposed and resolved unanimously to approve the accounts and payments up to 28-2-2013.

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

**REVIEW OF INTERNAL CONTROLS**

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

**RISK ASSESMENTS**

Risks Assessed

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

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

The Clerk raised concerns regarding the overgrown perimeter laurel hedging and a leaning Silver Birch tree on the Amber Close open space. Cllrs will visit the site for a further inspection prior to any action being taken.

The Clerk will review the Councils Health & Safety policy.

**MOTIONS FROM COUNCILLOR J BRADBURY**

Motion 1

Amend Standing Order No.56 by deleting the words "chairperson shall first be satisfied that the motion has been sufficiently debated before it is seconded and put to the vote and replace with "Chairperson shall first be satisfied that the motion has been seconded and sufficiently debated before it is put to the vote".

Seconded by Cllr J Middleton. All in favour - Motion carried.

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

Motion 2

"Under Standing Order No.7 it is permitted, at the Chairperson's discretion, for members of the public to address the Council. At each Parish Council meeting the Agenda shall contain an item specifically for members of the public (if present) to be able to speak, raise and question items and make requests. This new facility will be advertised in the Parish Council's article in the Sherwood and by prominent notices on the Council's notice board and website".

Seconded by Cllr J Middleton

3 in favour, 6 against - Motion not carried.

**PLAYING FIELDS & OPEN SPACES**

None

**TRANSPORT, HIGHWAYS, FOOTWAYS & LIGHTING**

Several Councillors thanked County Councillor Geoff Merry for his help in obtaining the newly installed crash barrier adjacent to the main roundabout at the top of Kirklington Road and the cutting back of the hedgerows on the main routes through the village.

**ENVIRONMENTAL**

Cllr J Bradbury mentioned the Sherwood Forest Landscape Scheme.

**DONATIONS**

County Councillor Geoff Merry presented cheques of £300 to the Parish Council towards floral displays in the village and £1,000 to Peter Zakarian-Ball on behalf of Rainworth Village Hall towards refurbishments to the Phoenix Suite.

Geoff Merry left the meeting at this point.

**COMMUNITY MATTERS**

It was unanimously agreed to appoint Premier 1 as the contractor for the 2013 floral displays.

2013 O.A.P Christmas Party

It was unanimously agreed:

Venue - Rainworth Village Hall

Date - 4th December

Catering - Rainworth Village Hall

Bingo Prize Fund - £75

Raffle Prizes - £150

Free Drink - as per previous year

Artist - Chairman to book

Miscellaneous items as required.

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

**PLANNING**

13/00188/FUL	53 Westbrook Drive	P/C Object
13/00202/FUL	11 Harrow Close	P/C Support
13/00039/FUL	Joseph Whitaker School	NSDC Approve

NSDC - Improvements to accessing planning application online - public access for planning applications- received & noted.

**VILLAGE HALL REPS REPORT**

Nothing to report.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Boundary Commission - Electoral review of Newark & Sherwood - received & noted.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

11th April 2013.

Meeting closed at 8pm.

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