

RADWAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Tuesday, 10th March 2015 at 7.45pm

Present: Cllrs: M. Johnson (Chairman) (MJ), J. Feilding (JF), J. Jackson (JJ) and P. Wilkins (PW). Also present County Cllr. C. Williams (CW) (from 8.35pm), C. Hill (Clerk) and 3 residents.

1. Apologies for absence

District Cllr. S. Jackson (business engagement).

2. Declarations of Interest

None declared.

3. Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting (January 2015)

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated prior to this meeting. It was agreed that they represented a true record of the meeting and were signed by MJ.

4. Questions from the public

A resident said that the PCC wrote to the Parish Council early last year requesting funds for the churchyard and they hadn't received a response. The Clerk to investigate.

ACTION: May agenda item.

A resident asked if the street plan goes ahead could someone from the exhibition team be involved.

It was pointed out that people will be coming to see the exhibition and so a drop kerb is needed for disabled people.

It was noted that the weeds on the tarmac area of the recreation field need spraying.

ACTION: The Clerk to ask our contractor if he could do this.

The bus shelter seat needs repairing. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask our grass contractor if he is able to do this.

ACTION: The Clerk to ask our contractor if he is able to do this.

Residents are organising a calendar for 2016. MJ said that she believed a resident would be co-ordinating the photos. JF and PW agreed to look into this.

ACTION: JF and PW to liaise with the resident.

There is an issue with the drain cover outside 2 Grange Cottages.

ACTION: The Clerk to inform Highways.

The footway outside numbers 1, 2 and 3 The Green is very uneven.

ACTION: The Clerk to inform Highways.

5. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meetings:

(a) Tree; 5 The Green

It was agreed that this relates to a tree at the front of Grange Cottages and not on The Green.

ACTION: MJ to follow up on this.

(b) Verge damage

PW reported that in places grass is covering parts of the footway. This needs to be cut back which would stop the verges being damaged. It was also agreed that a drop kerb is needed in some places for disabled residents. There is

damage to verges caused by vehicles but it was agreed that this is difficult to sort.

ACTION: The Clerk to request that this work is carried out and arrange for Patch Byrne to meet with PW and JF regarding the drop kerb.

- (c) Footway maintenance; PW's report
PW's report had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed that this report should be forwarded to Patch Byrne asking him to arrange for the necessary work to be carried out.
ACTION: The Clerk to forward PW's report to County Highways requesting that the work is carried out.
It was further reported that the footway by the cart wash is overgrown.
ACTION: The Clerk to request that this work is carried out.
The embankment near School House has been raised making access difficult. It was agreed that our grass contractor would be asked to look into this.
ACTION: The Clerk to ask our contractor to look at this.
- (d) Tree, Langdon Lane
It was agreed that this has been sorted.
- (e) Chevrons; King John's Lane
The Clerk confirmed that County Highways is aware of the damage and will be repairing them shortly.
- (f) Orbit fencing
This has been removed.
- (g) Langdon Lane; meeting update
JF and PW met 2 members from Orbit Housing. The parking was discussed and Orbit representatives said that the land belongs to County Highways and therefore Orbit will not be progressing this further. However, they are looking into whether the garages are viable or whether they should be replaced by parking spaces. A suggestion was made that the road up to the garages could be re-tarmacked, mesh could be laid and the kerbstones removed. It was agreed that letters should be sent to Orbit and County Housing asking if this work could be possible. Quotes would need to be obtained for the removal of the kerbstones and positioning of mesh.
ACTION: The Clerk to draft letters to County Highways and Orbit Housing.
- (h) Levelling of the recreation field; quotes
PW said that he has met with a contractor who is preparing quotes. Rolling and mowing of the pitch would help. It was agreed that one end of the pitch should be concentrated on and then the Parish Council could assess how many residents use the pitch and whether to continue with this project.
ACTION: May agenda item.
- (i) Signage; Farnborough Road
Councillors agreed to review this once the building works have finished.
- (j) Trees; MOD
It was noted that these have been cut.
- (k) Letter re. trimmed tree
MJ reported that this is being actioned.
- (l) Tubs; confirm number and location
PW reported that we have 5 tubs. MJ said that the Parish owns 4 tubs. It was agreed that PW would obtain quotes for replacing the tubs.
ACTION: PW to obtain quotes for replacing the tubs.

- (m) Street plan; size
ACTION: May agenda item.
- (n) Christmas tree; cost
It was noted that the Christmas tree is rooting. It was agreed that no action would be taken at the moment.
- (o) St. Peter's Churchyard; loose headstones
This churchyard is closed and maintained by the District Council. The Clerk was asked to bring this to their attention.
ACTION: The Clerk to bring to the attention of the District Council.

6. To receive reports from District and County Councillors

MJ read out the report from CW.

7. To receive correspondence

- (a) Electoral review of Warwickshire; final recommendations
Noted.
- (b) Definitive map modification order; SM171 and SM 171a
Noted.
- (c) WALC Stratford Parish Liaison Meeting; 23rd June
Circulated via email.
- (d) WALC; Byelaws and control of dogs
Circulated via email.
- (e) Consultation on SDC Supplementary Planning Document for GLH
Councillors agreed that JJ would co-ordinate a response.
ACTION: JJ to co-ordinate a response.
- (f) May election
The Clerk said that she has nomination forms for any resident that requires them.
- (g) Request from Thursday Club for funding under section 137
ACTION: May agenda item.
- (h) Community forum; possible postponement until June
Noted.

8. Financial Report/Administration

- (a) Bank balances
The Clerk confirmed the following balance in the current account:
£9,199.98.
- (b) To discuss the financing of the tree on Orbit land
The total cost of the tree was £378.56. The Parish Council agreed to donate £100 towards the cost. PW said that he has received donations for the remaining amount and would reimburse the Parish Council.
- (c) To agree date for Annual Parish Meeting
It was agreed that this should take place before the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in May.
- (d) Annual play area inspection
It was agreed that the Clerk should ask Wickstead to carry out our inspection.
ACTION: The Clerk to ask Wickstead to inspect the play area.

8.35pm CW joins the meeting.

9. Passing of accounts for payment

The following accounts were proposed for payment by PW, seconded by JF and carried unanimously:

- (a) Mrs. C. Hill - gross salary (February and March) - £237.33
- (b) Mr. T. Turner - newsletter - £30.00
- (c) Miss Taylor - cleaning the bus shelter (February and March) - £24.00
- (d) Mrs. C. Hill - expenses (Jan-Mar) - £17.00
- (e) F.N. Pile and Sons Mower Service - £264.71
- (f) Warwickshire County Council - street light maintenance - £83.38
- (g) Charles Chambers Trust - recreation field annual rent - £100.00

6. To receive report from County Councillor

CW reported that the road by the army camp is going to be shut.

A new fire station is being built at Aston Martin. Building works will start in August and finish by the autumn. It will be a 24 hour station.

The Council has agreed to spend money on childcare for the under 5's.

Schools will be made safer by 20mph speed limits.

More money will be put into Broadband. Radway should get faster Broadband in 2016.

All street lights owned by the County Council will be changed to LED.

Birmingham Council wants to form one organisation. Warwickshire is not happy with this.

12. Closure of meeting

Date of next Parish Council meeting to be agreed.

MJ closed the meeting at 9pm.