

RADWAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Monday, 15th November 2016 at 7.45pm

Present: Cllrs: J. Feilding (Chairman) (JF), J. Jackson (JJ), M. Johnson (MJ) and P. Wilkins (PW). Also present County Cllr. C. Williams, C. Hill (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

1. Apologies for absence

District Cllr. B. Dalla Mura (personal commitment).

2. Declarations of Interest

MJ declared a pecuniary interest in item 9(c) as a family member is a recipient.

3. Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting (October 2016)

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 JF.

4. Questions from the public

The Book Club launch will take place on Saturday, 25th February in the afternoon in the Village Hall.

PW explained that a new group has been organised in the village. The group will be organising fund raising. They would like a contribution towards their meetings in the village hall. Councillors agreed that the rent on the hire of the village hall is normally paid for new groups. It was further agreed that the Parish Council would pay for 10 meetings in the next 12 months.

ACTION: The Clerk to write to the group.

5. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

(a) Sinking pipe and footway repairs; update

JF said that he has chased Orbit.

(b) Closed churchyard; fences

JF reported that BD had said that the District Council is looking into this. JF asked if he could meet with them when they visit.

ACTION: The Clerk to request.

(c) Recreation Group Working Party update

It was agreed that a note should be placed in the newsletter asking for volunteers to join this group to organise the upgrading of the recreation field.

ACTION: Newsletter item.

(d) Play area; repairs to swings

The Clerk reported that Wicksteed do not maintain this equipment. They have advised us to purchase a tool for tightening the bolts.

ACTION: The Clerk to speak to the resident who has assisted in the past.

(e) Village Hall Trustees; letter received

JF read out a letter from the Trustees. They have agreed that the sand bags and emergency box can be placed in the shed. It was agreed that all of the Trustees would need to be listed on the emergency plan with contact details because access to the Village Hall would be required. The Clerk was asked to write to the Chair of the Village Hall Trustees.

ACTION: The Clerk to write to the Chair of the Village Hall

It was further agreed that a sand bin is required. PW agreed to look at the size required.

ACTION: PW to look at what size sand bin is required.

- (f) Highways issues update
JF reported that he has met with Patch Byrne and discussed the potholes and gully outside number 2 Grange Cottages. County Highways will wait until the entrance is complete before clearing the gully. The gully outside Fife House is blocked with leaves.
- (g) Chambers Trust; new lease update
MJ updated the meeting. The Trust has requested an increase in rent to £250 per year. It was agreed that this is acceptable.
ACTION: January agenda item.
- (h) Easier access to the Village Hall; costs
ACTION: January agenda item.
- (i) Broadband; draft letter
A letter was sent and a response received. JF to email the letter to the editor of the newsletter for inclusion.
ACTION: JF to email the response to the editor of the newsletter.
- (j) Enforcement issue on Langdon Lane update
MJ to take a photo and forward to the Clerk.
ACTION: MJ to take a photo.

6. To receive reports from District and County Council

CW reported that the County Council is waiting for the autumn statement from the Chancellor before deciding on the budget. The message from the public consultation was that we must look after the aged and children. There has been a review of the Parliamentary boundary to try and get equal representation in each area with numbers of people. B4100 passed the legal requirements to reduce to 50mph. MJ asked how much this cost. CW said the legal fees were £7,500 plus repeater signs at approximately £40 per sign. This work will reduce fatalities. There have been 2 at Temple Herdewyke in recent years. The Secretary of State has rejected a letter requesting for GLH to be called-in. A committee is looking at the B4100 going through the middle of GLH.

JF read out BD's report. MJ said that she would like to respond to the Parliamentary review as she wishes to stay in Stratford District.

ACTION: MJ to find out whether it is still possible to respond.

7. To receive correspondence

- (a) Request from Village Hall Committee for a grant of £550.51 to cover the insurance premium
MJ proposed that this be approved, seconded PW and carried unanimously.
ACTION: January agenda item.
- (b) British Telecom; consultation on removal of public telephone box
ACTION: Newsletter item. To contact JF by 23rd December.
The Clerk was asked to respond to this consultation.
- (c) Cracks on Gosport Lane; reported

8. Financial Report/Administration

- (a) Bank balances

Community Account; £19,714.43

Interest has been added to the Business Money Manager account.

- (b) Pensions; email has been sent to the Clerk
The Clerk acknowledged receipt of the email.
- (c) Christmas arrangements; tree, lights, post box
ACTION: MJ to organise post box. PW to organise trees.

9. Passing of any accounts for payment

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

- (a) Mrs. C. Hill - gross salary (Nov) - £115.18
- (b) Round and About Publishing - newsletter - £15.00
- (d) Mr. Manwaring - grass cutting - £139.93
- (e) Npower - street lighting - £166.75

10. Closure of meeting

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, 11th January.

Meeting closed at 9pm