

The 1058th Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 17th July 2014 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: - Cllr McCarley chaired the Meeting
Cllr B Carter, Cllr G Carter, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Naylor, Cllr Russell, Cllr J Smith, Cllr M Smith

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence – Cllr Ogden, Cllr Potts, Cllr Riley, Cllr Watson
Lateness –

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1057th Meeting held on Thursday 3rd July 2014

Page 5494 agenda item 6 para. 7 amend '2014' to '2015'

15719 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Naylor that after the above amendment the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting held on Thursday 3rd July 2014.

3. To receive information on any on-going items identified in these and previous Minutes and decide further action where necessary

The Clerk reported:

That an e-mail response had been received from Calderdale Council concerning the land at Riverside Meadows. The officer confirmed that he is prepared to have a site meeting but would like to know prior to any meeting, what the Parish Council is seeking to achieve and what is currently standing in its way. Cllr G Carter informed the Meeting that she had been in touch with the officer in question and that she would report on the conversation under Agenda item 8. The Meeting agreed to defer discussion on this matter until Agenda item 8.

A reply had been received from Highway Services concerning the dedicated e-mail address statistics. The officer is happy to provide the data requested by the Parish Council but this compilation would take longer than the 10 working days directive. The Meeting agreed that further scrutiny of this contact point had no benefit to the Parish Council so would not pursue the matter. The Clerk was asked to advise the officer accordingly and thank her for her assistance.

The Clerk advised the Meeting that following the last meeting she had downloaded the screening opinion notes for 14/06008/EIA – Peat Pitts Farm which sets out the considerations taken into account in deciding that no EIA was required. The Clerk was asked to send a copy to all Councillors for references.

An e-mail had been received from PCSO Serban in response to the Parish Council's request for assistance with outside lighting at Brig Royd. He is to meet with a Calderdale Council officer to discuss lighting and also the issue of inconsiderate parking. The Clerk confirmed that she had also e-mailed Calderdale Council to request better signage.

Cllr B Carter informed the Meeting that the signage at the top of Back Lane had not been removed and someone had in fact added a 'Road Closed' sign. The Clerk advised that she had e-mailed Calderdale Council regarding obsolete signs and the barriers left at the bottom of Back Lane so hopefully the matter would be resolved shortly.

Cllr G Carter advised the Meeting that the Yorkshire in Bloom judges had visited Ripponden on Friday 11th July. Unfortunately a representative from Ripponden in Bloom had not been available to attend but the judges had been very impressed with the work around the village and especially at the Community Centre.

3. To receive information on any on-going items identified in these and previous Minutes and decide further action where necessary (continued)

Cllr Naylor asked if anyone was aware as to why the road had been closed at Cuning Corner onto Moselden Lane. Cllr G Carter reported that she had contacted Highways Services regarding this but as yet not received a reply. The Clerk was asked to write to Highways Services to ask if the road had been closed by Calderdale Council and if so why.

4. To receive Parish Councillors declarations of Interest

None

5. Public Participation

None present

6. To approve the Standards Committee's recommendations for amendments to the Parish Council's Standing Orders and Media Policy for 2014/15

Concerns were expressed about the clarity of the model standing orders recommended for adoption and it was felt that to accept the document as it was, would stifle discussion. In view of this some Councillors felt that they would like an opportunity to re-visit the content of the document before a motion is made to approve.

15720 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Johnson that this item is adjourned to the next meeting to enable Councillors to review the documentation.

7. To receive reports from the Clerk, Chairman, Committees, Councillors and Outside Bodies by Council Representatives and to deal with matters arising

The Clerk reported:

That the Parish Council had received an invoice from British Telecom for quarterly Broadband rental charges. This was the first time that any invoice has been received so the Clerk had contacted British Telecom for clarification. It appears that due to an error no bill had been issued since 2010 as such the Parish Council had not paid for its Broadband Service.

The Clerk reminded the Councillors that plans for the WW1 centenary commemoration on 3rd August needed to be finalised. Cllr G Carter confirmed that Reverend Ball would lead the service, but felt that representatives from other denominations should be invited to attend. The Meeting agreed that Cllr G Carter should liaise with the Clerk to progress the arrangements.

The Clerk advised the Meeting that a resident had contacted regarding a Sanctuary Housing application for Stonelea, Barkisland requesting the Parish Council's assistance.

15721 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr M Smith that the Clerk should write back to the resident advising that unfortunately the Parish Council only has a consultation role direct with Sanctuary Housing and as such is unable to assist at this time.

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had quite a large stock of Chocolate, Pencils and Rubbers left from the Tour de France weekend. The Meeting agreed that this would be sold once again at the Community Markets in September and December. The Clerk was also asked to place a poster in the window.

The Clerk asked that a Community Market Committee meeting date be arranged. It was agreed for Tuesday 29th July 2014 at 7.00pm.

7. To receive reports from the Clerk, Chairman, Committees, Councillors and Outside Bodies by Council Representatives and to deal with matters arising (continued)

The Clerk informed the Meeting that agreement had been received from 'Welcome to Yorkshire' to sell the official Tour de France banner to raise funds for the Chairman's Charity. The Deputy Clerk was to progress the matter.

Cllr J Smith reported that the drain was still blocked on Elland Road, Ripponden at the junction with Bridge End. The Clerk advised that she would chase the matter up with Calderdale Council.

Cllr M Smith informed the Meeting that the Bowling club arsonist had been now been charged.

Cllr Russell reported that she had attended the Bus Consultation evening at the Parish Council office and had received lots of comments from residents in Krumlin.

Cllr B Carter reported that he had attended the Ward Forum meeting in Sowerby Bridge which had been poorly attended by members of the public.

Cllr Naylor asked if the Co-op had paid the invoice for the Tourism Leaflet. The Clerk advised that it had not been paid despite numerous e-mails. Cllr McCarley advised that he would obtain a Managers contact details to progress the matter.

Cllr Naylor also reported that he had received several complaints about the disabled car parking spaces at the Co-op being abused by other motorists. The Clerk was asked to write to the Co-op and request that the situation be monitored.

Cllr McCarley reported that with his Consort he had attended the Calderdale Big Band Concert at the Church, the Grand Depart Civic Reception at Halifax Town Hall, the Flower Festival and Community Market in Ripponden, manned a market stall outside the Council office on the day of the Tour de France race and visited a resident to present her with a bouquet of flowers for her 90th birthday. All occasions had been thoroughly enjoyed.

8. To receive reports from Calderdale Councillors who represent Ryburn Ward

Cllr G Carter clarified the position regarding access to the big screen located in the field behind the Fleece Inn for the Tour de France. Calderdale Council officers confirmed that there had been no charge to members of the public just wishing to watch the screen.

Cllr G Carter thanked the Parish Council for allowing the use of its office for the Bus Review Consultation on 9th July. The evening had been well attended by residents.

Cllr G Carter reported that she had spoken to an officer regarding a site meeting for the land at Riverside Meadows. She had explained about the permissive access required at both ends of the land and the officer now understood the need for a meeting. Councillors agreed that the Parish Council should write to the land owners at either side of the meadow and ask if the permissive right of way could be retained, also to invite them to a meeting with Calderdale Council should this be arranged.

Cllr G Carter informed the Meeting that she had on numerous occasions contacted Highways Services regarding the barriers on Elland Road requesting that they be removed as soon as possible due to their hazardous nature. They were unfortunately the responsibility of the Tour de France organisers and not Calderdale Council, they had however now been removed.

Cllr McCarley asked Cllr G Carter if she could find out why the portable toilets to be located by Calderdale Council in Ripponden had not materialised and report back at a future meeting if possible.

9. To agree accounts for payment

15722 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Russell and seconded by Cllr M Smith that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £3,537.51 be passed for payment.

10. To receive correspondence**Correspondence**

Calderdale Council	Changes to Electoral Registration
Calderdale Council	TTRO Baitings Gate
Mrs S Benton	Lack of toilet provision in Ripponden
Mrs E Hipwell	Bus Review & Service
Icon Films	Short film inserts for 'One Show'

Information

Calderdale Council	Supporting Community events and banners
Calderdale Council	Planning Appeal 14/00033/LDC Bold Hall Farm
Calderdale Council	Neighbourhood News – July 2014
NABMA	NABMA News 7 th & 14 th July 2014
RHS	Grass Roots Magazine- summer edition
Welcome to Yorkshire	The Grandest Depart

Agendas

21/07/14	Governance & Business Committee
23/07/14	Use of Resources Scrutiny Panel

Matters arising from Correspondence

The Clerk was asked to thank Mrs Benton for her letter and advise that Ripponden has a provision for toilets which had been out of service. Calderdale Council have now repaired the toilets and these had been re-opened for the Tour de France weekend.

The Clerk was asked to acknowledge receipt of Mrs Hipwell's letter and advise her that the Bus Review was in Consultation, but the Parish Council had no powers to direct the Bus Service on its bus provisions.

The Clerk was asked to reply to Icon Films and advise them that the Parish Council could not be of assistance.

Cllr G Carter advised that there are designated areas for banners to be displayed on Council railings. The Clerk was asked to contact Calderdale Council to enquire as to whether the railings on the junction of Rochdale Road, Halifax Road could be a designated area in Ripponden.

Cllr G Carter informed the Meeting that she had seen documentation that detailed a specific law regarding vehicles mounting pavements. She advised that she would look into this and report back at a future meeting.

11. To discuss and agree a response to the West Yorkshire Combined Authorities consultation on the Bus Network Review

15723 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Russell and seconded by Cllr J Smith that the Parish Council writes to West Yorkshire Combined Authority in support of all the concerns raised by members of the public during the consultation period and in particular:

11. To discuss and agree a response to the West Yorkshire Combined Authorities consultation on the Bus Network Review (continued)

The loss of bus service to Rochdale
 The restriction of service to Soyland preventing access to the village during the hours 9.30am to 3.30pm
 Loss of service to Krumlin and Slack Lane
 The concern that the whole Ripponden area will be served by only one bus per hour, which will isolate further the small rural communities in the Parish area.
 Planning Regulation issues since recent new builds have only been allowed due to accessibility to public transport.

12. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues

New plans for this meeting

Application No 14/00815/HSE

Officer: Deborah Croot
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs Richardson
 Site: Field Head Krumlin Road Scammonden Road Barkisland
 Proposal: Detached double garage
 History: Green Belt, Special landscape Area. Previous application approved for an extension to side and dormer and veranda to rear (11/00179/HSE)
 Main Issues: Application will be assessed against NPPF 9 (Green Belt) and UDP policy NE12 (SLA) and BE1 (Design) and BE2 (Privacy).

RPC Comments:

15724 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr M Smith that the Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds that it is not a permitted development site, over intensive use of the site, Green Belt, SLA and that there is already an extension to the side and Dorma in Green Belt.

Application No 14/20103/TPO

Officer: Keith Grady
 Applicant: Mrs H Smith
 Site: Land between Dick Lane and Bar Lane Ripponden
 Proposal: Fell three trees and prune one tree (Tree Preservation Order)
 History: No previous tree history
 Main Issues: The amenity value of the trees and what impact the works will have on the character and appearance of the area, and in view of the assessment whether or not the works are justified in view of the reason put forward for the works

RPC Comments:

15725 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council has no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it is good arboricultural practise.

Application No 14/00812/HSE

Officer: Deborah Croot
 Applicant: Mr J Golding-Smith
 Site: 24 Stonelea Barkisland
 Proposal: Two storey extension to side and single storey extension to rear
 History: Primary Housing area, no recent planning history
 Main Issues: Application will be assessed against BE1 (Design) and BE2 (Privacy).

12. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues (continued)

RPC Comments:

15726 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr M Smith that the Parish Council has no objections to this application subject to it complying to BE1(Design) and BE2 (Privacy) policies.

Application No 14/00784/HSE

Officer: Deborah Croot
 Applicant: Ms F Cummings
 Site: 77 Hollin Lane Ripponden
 Proposal: Proposed two storey side extension to an existing dwelling.
 History: Green Belt, no planning history
 Main Issues: Application will be assessed against NPPF 9 (Green Belt) and BE1 (Design) and BE2 (Privacy).

RPC Comments:

15727 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr G Carter that the Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds that it is out of character with the style of property already in the area, BE1 (Design), Green Belt, BE2 (Privacy) and Street Scene issues.

Planning Decisions:

<p>13/00650/DISC1 Land To The East Of 69 To 113 Oldham Road Ripponden</p>	<p>Submission of information to discharge conditions on application 13/00650 - conditions 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11 and 12</p>	<p>Partially Complied With</p>
<p>14/00610/HSE 322 Oldham Road Ripponden</p>	<p>Formation of 'Off Road' car parking space</p>	<p>Granted</p>
<p>13/01583/FUL 5 Water Green Water Green Lane Soyland</p>	<p>Conversion of upper part of former barn into first floor extension and studio apartment.</p>	<p>Granted</p>
<p>14/20078/TPO Land Junction Of Spinners Hollow and Between 67 and Oldham Road Ripponden</p>	<p>Prune seven trees and fell two trees (Tree Preservation Order)</p>	<p>Granted</p>
<p>14/20077/TPO 39 Ryestone Drive Ripponden</p>	<p>Prune two trees</p>	<p>Granted</p>
<p>14/00627/CON Chapel Field Barn Old Bank Ripponden</p>	<p>Conversion of office (B1a) to dwelling (C3)</p>	<p>Granted</p>

12. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues (continued)

14/00633/LBC	Conversion of office (B1a) to dwelling (C3)	Granted
Chapel Field Barn	(Listed Building Consent)	
Old Bank		
Ripponden		

The meeting closed at 9.30pm