

The 1152nd Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 19th April 2018 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: Cllr M Smith as Vice-Chairman chaired the meeting due to Cllr Naylor's apologies for lateness.
Cllr Johnson, Cllr McCarley, Cllr Naylor, Cllr J Smith

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence with apologies – Cllr Carter, Cllr Hunt, Cllr Moran, Cllr Potts, Cllr Robins, Cllr Russell
Absent – Cllr Watson
Lateness – Cllr Naylor

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1151st Meeting held on Thursday 5th April 2018

17090 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting held on Thursday 5th April 2018.

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:

A response had been received from Calderdale Council's Highway Services regarding street lighting and the LED project. The officer advised that work had started on the upgrade throughout Calderdale from April 2018 and would take approximately two years to complete. Phase 1 included Elland and Halifax North and a list of the streets affected had been enclosed for the Parish Council's reference. The Meeting agreed that the Clerk should write back to thank for the information and ask when the Council intended to do Ripponden and specifically Soyland.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that a Reminder Notice had been received from Calderdale Council concerning the outstanding invoice for Christmas light installation 2017. The Clerk advised that she had received no response from Highway Services despite sending a follow up e-mail after 28 days. Due to the Reminder Notice, the Clerk had also contacted Income Services and requested a hold be put on the account whilst it was in dispute. The officer confirmed that a two-week hold would be placed on the account and that he would e-mail Highway Services to advise.

The Clerk reported that she had downloaded details of the Calderdale Council Asset Holdings List regarding Ripponden Wood. She had also checked the Community Asset Register and confirmed that no application had been made for the playing fields under the Community Right to Bid scheme. The Meeting agreed that discussion as to whether the Parish Council should submit an application under the Community Right to Bid scheme should be an Agenda item at a future meeting.

The Clerk confirmed that an e-mail had been received from the Anti-Social Behaviour Officer of Calderdale Council advising that he would be happy to attend the Parish Council meeting on 26th July 2018. An e-mail had also been received from West Yorkshire Police Licensing Officer confirming that she would attend the Parish Council meeting on 14th June 2018 to explain her role.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that she had contacted the Management Company of Riverview Apartments to request a clean up of the waste/refuse area. The officer advised that there was a Caretaker, who inspected the waste area every Friday. The officer did however confirm that she would speak with the Caretaker to make sure everything was in order.

Cllr Naylor arrived at 7.34pm

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

An e-mail reply had been received from Ryburn United to confirm that they would contact again regarding a grant after the group had received the decision on funding from the Football Association.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that an e-mail had been received from the Safer Communities Fund advising that the Parish Council's application for funding of the CCTV had been unsuccessful once again. Cllr Johnson advised that he would provide an update from his meeting with Inspector Bairstow under Agenda item 6.

Cllr Johnson asked if the Clerk had received any further updates concerning the land drainage at Withens End Lane and Moselden Lane. The Clerk confirmed that she had not, but would chase the matter up with Calderdale Council. Cllr Johnson also reported that he had spoken with PCSO Serban regarding the replacement of the broken streetlight at Holly Crescent. Unfortunately, PCSO Serban had been unsuccessful in getting the replacement brought forward and that it would be dealt with as part of the LED streetlight replacement scheme.

Cllr Naylor reported on the state of disrepair on Branch Road. The Meeting agreed that the Parish Council should write to the Head of Highways to request a site meeting at Branch Road and also to discuss Moselden Lane/Withens End Lane issues.

4. To receive Parish Councillors declarations of Interest

None

5. Public Participation

None

6. To receive reports from the Clerk, Chairman, Committees, Councillors and Outside Bodies by Council Representatives

6.1. To accept the Quarterly Bank Reconciliation and Budget to Actual Expenditure as at 31st March 2018

17091 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the Parish Council accepts the Quarterly Bank Reconciliation as at 31st March 2018.

It was agreed that the Budget be held over to the next meeting for the spreadsheet to be amended to include the income figure for Civic Duties & Occasions.

6.2. To approve the draft Council and Committee Priorities 2018/19 for publication on the Parish Council website

17092 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council approves the Council and Committee Priorities for publication on its website.

6.3. To consider the Purchase of a 'There but not There' Sculpture to commemorate the centenary of the end of the First World War.

17093 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Naylor that this item be held over to the next meeting and discussed when more Councillors were present.

6. To receive reports from the Clerk, Chairman, Committees, Councillors and Outside Bodies by Council Representatives (continued)

The Clerk reported that:

A certificate had been received from the Friends of Sowerby Bridge Railway Station in acknowledgement of the Parish Councils contribution towards the First World War memorial.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that Cllr Moran had sent an e-mail regarding the Soyland Telephone box advising that a local group of friends were keen to be involved in the upkeep of the box and that they would liaise with Soyland in Bloom as to what maintenance was required.

An e-mail had been received from a resident at Barkisland regarding the state of the redundant dog waste bag dispenser near the church. The resident requested its removal. Cllr Naylor agreed to inspect the dispenser and report to the Clerk if it needed to be referred to Calderdale Council for bag removal. The matter of the future of the dispenser should be referred to the Environment Committee for discussion.

The Clerk reported that a resident had been into the office to ask if the Parish Council would be happy to allow her to sell a few history books from the Parish Council office. The book is a history of Barkisland School to celebrate its 150th anniversary and all proceeds were to go to the school. The Parish Council had no objections to this request.

The Clerk reminded the Meeting that it was St George's day on Monday 23rd April and asked if a Councillor was available to raise the flag. Cllr Naylor agreed to raise the flag on behalf of the Parish Council.

Cllr Johnson reported that he had received a complaint regarding fly tipping at the top end of Rochdale Road. The Clerk was asked to refer this to Calderdale Council. Concerns were also raised about the amount of general waste on the grass verges from Rishworth School up to the Motorway entrance. The Clerk was asked to refer this to Calderdale Council's Safer Cleaner Greener Team.

Cllr Johnson also reported on his meeting with Inspector Bairstow, he advised that Inspector Bairstow had only received the Parish Council's invitation to the Annual Parish Meeting a few days before and it had been too late to arrange a senior officer attendance. Cllr Johnson had raised the issue of vehicular transport for the Ryburn PCSO's and Inspector Bairstow had confirmed that a car would not be available to the PCSO. She was however considering relocating their base to Halifax from where a more regular bus service operated. Inspector Bairstow also mentioned the possible option of a sponsored vehicle and suitable accommodation within the parish for which the Parish Council would need to put a business case to West Yorkshire Police. The Meeting agreed that discussion of this should be an Agenda item at a future meeting.

The final item discussed had been the Parish Council's unsuccessful grant application. Inspector Bairstow had mentioned a possible grant available from the Performance & Delivery Group that met within the Safer Cleaner Greener meetings. This would need the support of a Ward Councillor and they would need to put the bid in on behalf of the Parish Council.

17094 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr McCarley that Cllr Johnson speaks with the Ward Councillors on behalf of the Parish Council to progress a grant application to the Performance & Delivery Group.

The Meeting also discussed the Parish Councils previous resolution for Cllr Johnson to represent the Parish Council in a police liaison role.

Cllr Naylor reported that one of the Ward Councillors had been instrumental in getting a footpath installed on Scammonden Road, which provided a safer pathway for pedestrians. However, Cllr Naylor was unsure as to whether the path had affected the trees and shrubs that had been planted on behalf of the Parish Council by Cllr Watson. Cllr M Smith agreed to contact Cllr Watson to check.

6. To receive reports from the Clerk, Chairman, Committees, Councillors and Outside Bodies by Council Representatives (continued)

Cllr Naylor also informed the Meeting that the land at Rishworth Mill Dam was now up for sale.

Cllr M Smith advised that he had minutes to be included from the Neighbourhood Planning Committee meeting held on 14th February 2018, but there were insufficient Committee members present to approve this. As such, approval will be held over to the next meeting.

Cllr M Smith reviewed the Neighbourhood Planning meeting held on 17th April 2018, the main points being additional funding, the initial draft plan and the revised programme.

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

None present.

8. To agree accounts for payment

17095 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £55.00 be passed for payment.

9. To receive correspondence

Correspondence

Neil Davidson DL Resident War Memorial Trust	Thank you re Civic Dinner Thank you for support Centenary Campaign funding
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Information

Bespoke Medals Calderdale Council North Bank Forum YLCA	2018 Brochure Upper Valley Neighbourhood News - April Sector Support Update 5 th April GDPR – Data Protection Officer
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Invitations

Hebden Royd Town Council Todmorden Town Council	Annual Meeting & Mayor Making – 16 th May 2018 Mayor's Day - 19 th May 2018
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Agendas

23/04/2018	Cabinet
24/04/2018	CAFM Asset Management Board
25/04/2018	Strategy & Performance Scrutiny Board
26/04/2018	Place Scrutiny Board

Matters arising from correspondence

The Meeting agreed that the invitation for Hebden Royd Mayor Making should be forwarded onto the Vice Chairman to see if he can attend due to the Chairman's unavailability.

Since the Chairman for the next Council year would not be elected until 17th May, the Clerk was asked to reply to Todmorden Council confirming that a representative from the Parish Council would attend its Mayor Day.

10. To consider Grant applications received under the Local Government Act 1972 Section 137 for Rishworth Out of School Club and 3rd Ripponden Scouts

10.1. Rishworth Out of School Club

17096 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded Cllr J Smith that the Parish Council awards a grant of £1000.00 to Rishworth Out of School Club towards the cost of a defibrillator for Rishworth.

10.2. 3rd Ripponden Scouts

17097 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded Cllr McCarley that the Parish Council awards a grant of £150.00 to 3rd Ripponden Scouts for materials for badge work and Poppies for the church project.

11. To approve the Parish Council's Annual Return Governance Statement for 2017/18

17098 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the Annual Governance Statement be approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Chairman of this meeting.

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

New Plans for this meeting

Application No: 18/20042/TPO

Site: 39 Rylands Park Ripponden
 Proposal: Prune three trees (Tree Preservation Order)
 Allocation: Primary Housing, Wildlife Corridor

RPC Comments:

17099 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr McCarley 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: 18/00374/HSE

Site: 29 Stonelea Barkisland
 Proposal: Two storey extension to front and side
 Allocation: Primary Housing
 Main Issues: H2 Primary Housing, BE1 & BE2

RPC Comments:

17100 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

Application No: 18/00307/HSE

Site: 2 Brig Royd Ripponden
 Proposal: Two storey side extension
 Allocation: Wildlife Corridor
 Main Issues: Bat alert

RPC Comments:

17101 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council has no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets policies.

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

18/00378/HSE 10 Riverside Court Ripponden	Single storey side extension	Withdrawn
18/00157/VAR Land South East Of Hansel Fold Hansel Fold Barkisland	Variation of condition 13 on planning approval 02/00457/CON - access road to north east of site	Withdrawn
18/00184/HSE Knoll Top Krumlin Road Scammonden Road Barkisland	Porch to north elevation and orangery to east elevation	Granted

12.2. Planning Enforcement

None

The meeting closed at 9.00pm