

The 1091st Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 19th November 2015 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: - Cllr Johnson chaired the Meeting.

Cllr Carter, Cllr Hunt, Cllr Moran, Cllr Naylor, Cllr Potts, Cllr Robins, Cllr J Smith, Cllr M Smith, Cllr Watson

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence – Cllr McCarley, Cllr Russell

Lateness – Cllr M Smith (on Parish Council business)

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1090th Meeting held on Thursday 5th November 2015

Page 5795 Agenda item 6 Para. 6 remove the paragraph starting with ‘Cllr Holden...’

16183 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Moran and seconded by Cllr Potts that after the above amendment the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting held on Thursday 5th November 2015.

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

3.1. To approve the allocation of the Xmas Fest grant to the Communications Committee

16184 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr Moran that the Parish Council approves the allocation of the Xmas Fest grant to the Communications Committee.

3.2. To approve Calderdale Council’s estimate for the installation of the Christmas lights and tree

16185 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Carter that the Parish Council approves the expenditure of <£800 for the installation of the Ripponden Christmas lights and tree.

The Clerk Reported that:

A response had been received from Calderdale Council Planning Services regarding the alleged unauthorised development: access road, static caravan and outbuildings at Bowers Cottage, Barkisland. The officer advised that the owner had been written to outlining options for remedy.

A response had also been received from Calderdale Council Planning Services regarding planning applications 14/00590 & 14/00914 – The Plant Mill, 14/01123 – 26 School Close and 15/00378 – Agricultural Building, Soyland. The officer advised that all four applications were to be heard by Planning Committee on 17th November. The Clerk confirmed that Cllr Watson had attended on behalf of the Parish Council.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that an e-mail response had been received from Calderdale Council Highways Services regarding street light 179, Elland Road. The officer reported that unfortunately the service request for number 179 had been overlooked and as such had now been forwarded to National Power grid for urgent action.

An e-mail response had been received from Calderdale Council concerning the hillside slippage at Royd Lane the officer advised that the Highways Superintendent had now informed the land owner that he needed to carry out remedial work.

An acknowledgement had been received from the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator confirming receipt of the Parish Council’s expression of interest for a community asset transfer in respect of the public toilets at Mill Fold.

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

Cllr Naylor reported on the parking and footpath obstruction that had occurred at the Remembrance Services. He also asked if the Clerk could write to Calderdale Council regarding the missing centre road markings from Long Causeway to Baitings Bridge. Cllr Naylor advised that the sign at Rishworth Hall Close was now on the ground and the sign for Long Gate was in a dilapidated state.

Cllr Potts reported that four street lights at the top of Rishworth Mill Lane were once again out. Cllr Potts advised that he would report to Calderdale Council and asked if the Clerk would also do so.

Cllr Carter informed the Meeting that she had received an e-mail from Metro asking if the Parish Council wanted use of the bus layby for the Christmas Market. It was agreed that Cllr Carter should advise that the Parish Council was interested and would confirm after the next Community Market Committee meeting. In the meantime the Deputy Clerk should make enquiries with stall holders on the reserve list to see if they would be interested in a stall on the layby.

Cllr Watson enquired if Cllr Carter would clarify a recent personal interest issue. Cllr Carter declined stating that it was not a matter for the meeting.

Cllr Johnson provided an update on progress in organising a First Aid course for the Clerk and Deputy Clerk. He also reported that the officer had offered to attend a future Parish Council meeting in his capacity as a Highways Services officer.

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

The Clerk reported that:

A letter had been received from Stones Methodist Church enclosing cheque for £208.82 being the money raised at the Civic Sunday Service towards the Chairman's Charity, Overgate Hospice.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that Mr Slim from Sowerby Bridge Rotary Club had visited the office to express disappointment that the club had not been advised of the Parish Council's intention to use alternative sound equipment at the Remembrance Sunday services prior to the day.

16186 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council writes to the Rotary Club of Sowerby Bridge to apologise for the oversight and donate £150 to the Chairman's Charity as a gesture of goodwill and appreciation for the assistance provided by the club in marshalling the Remembrance parade.

The Clerk advised that an e-mail had been received from Calderdale Council's Planning Services following an enquiry from Cllr Watson as to why planning application 15/01388 Barkisland Cross Stables hadn't been listed at the previous meeting. The officer confirmed that the Parish Council could make comment. It was agreed that the officer comments should be discussed under Agenda item 13.

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

The Clerk reported that an e-mail had been received from the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator requesting the use of the Parish Council office for a Safer, Cleaner Greener meeting to be held early in the New Year. The Meeting had no objections to this request.

An acknowledgement had been received from Mrs Hall confirming that she would be delighted to attend the Christmas 'Lights Switch On' event on 26th November as the guest of the Chairman.

The Clerk asked if the Parish Council would be opening the Council office as in previous years when there had been a late night shopping event. The Meeting agreed that the office should be open to the public from 6.00pm to 8.00pm and the Clerk was asked to organise refreshments. Cllr Naylor was also asked to purchase a small number of pies for the event. Cllr Robins requested that consideration be given to purchasing from local shops for future events.

The Clerk advised that the office refrigerator had stopped working and that she would organise the purchase of a replacement in time for the open evening.

The Clerk reminded Councillors that a meeting was scheduled for 31st December 2015. It was agreed that this should be cancelled. If a meeting was deemed necessary prior to 14th January 2016 then the Chairman would arrange one in consultation with the Clerk.

The Clerk asked that a date for the Civic Dinner Committee meeting be arranged prior to Christmas. It was agreed as Friday 4th December at 1.00pm.

Cllr M Smith arrived at 8.00pm

Cllr J Smith expressed disappointment that the police had not stopped the movement of cars at Ripponden for the two minute silence. Cllr Johnson advised that he was to meet with an officer to discuss early in the New Year. Cllr J Smith also reiterated that Mr Pitts from Calderdale Council had offered to attend a future meeting to discuss CCTV. The Clerk was asked to contact him and arrange a suitable date.

Cllr Naylor highlighted the flooding problem at the Memorial garden for the Remembrance service.

Cllr Moran asked if consideration could be given to utilising the surplus Parish Council umbrellas for such events in future. She also reported that due to the heavy rain the deep gully on Blue Ball Road was full of debris. Cllr Johnson advised that Calderdale Council had now coned the area off. Cllr Moran informed the Meeting that the flyers for the Christmas light switch on and market had been distributed to schools, shops and businesses. She asked if Councillors could take a few and deliver to households in their wards.

Cllr Potts reported that the road markings and cat's eyes were no longer visible on A672 from the motorway to Rishworth and had become very dangerous in the dark. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Calderdale Council and request a site visit to discuss the situation. Cllr Potts also advised that he would attend the next Environment Committee meeting to raise issues at the Turning circle, Rishworth.

Cllr Watson reported that he had attended the Planning Committee at the request of the Parish Council and provided a brief synopsis of the meeting. He also advised that he had attended Barkisland memorial in recognition of Armistice Day.

Cllr Robins reported that she had attended the Remembrance services and had felt very proud. Quite a few residents had approached her about flooding issues and she had directed them to Calderdale Councils on-line reporting service. Cllr Robins also asked if a thank you letter could be

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sent to the ex-serviceman who had lent his uniform for the Remembrance window display, she will provide his address to the Clerk.

Cllr Robins had also attended the Planning Committee meeting in a personal capacity and found it to be very interesting and informative. Cllr Carter suggested that perhaps the Clerk could contact Calderdale Council to enquire as to whether a training course on permitted development rights could be organised.

Cllr Robins reviewed the Community Market Committee meeting held on 13th November 2015, the main points being the confirmed stall holders, a site plan, advertising & publicity, A5 flyer and attractions.

Cllr M Smith provided verbal and written reports from his attendance at the recent YLCA South Pennine Branch and Communities Scrutiny Panel meetings. The Clerk was asked to circulate the written reports to all Councillors by e-mail.

Cllr Johnson reviewed the Communication Committee meeting held on 13th November 2015, the main points being the window displays, the Good Citizen Award, A5 Flyers, banners, SMS messaging, Website and the Christmas Light Switch on event.

Cllr Johnson reported on his recent meeting with Inspector Bairstow where discussion took place on traffic and parking issues, increase in crime for the Parish, the dark night initiative, Rural Watch and support for double yellow lines. Cllr Johnson informed the Meeting that Inspector Bairstow was more than happy to have regular monthly meetings with the Chairman if the Parish Council had no objections. The Meeting agreed that the monthly meeting would be of benefit to the Community.

Cllr Johnson thanked Councillors for attending the Remembrance Sunday Service and advised that he and the Clerk had represented the Parish Council at the Ripponden memorial for the minute silence on Armistice Day.

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

Cllr Carter reported that she had spoken to Calderdale Council officers concerning long stay parking at Royd Lane car park and requested the re-instatement of two hour limit signage. Officers are now looking into the feasibility of this.

Council officers are working hard to clear the excess leaves on road sides and pathways caused by the recent heavy rainfall.

8. To agree accounts for payment

16187 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Watson that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £3,879.39 be passed for payment.

9. To receive correspondence

Correspondence

Chris Harris DLL
Mrs Rawson
Mr Shepherd

Thank you for Remembrance Services
Inconsiderate parking on Rochdale Road
Loss of iconic trees in Ripponden

Information

Calderdale Council

Upper Valley Neighbourhood News

9. To receive correspondence (continued)

Groundwork Org	Tesco Local Community Fund
Historic Towns Forum	November Newsletter
Kirklees Council	Local Plan Consultation
NABMA	Newsletter 5 th , 13 th and 17 th November 2015
North Bank Forum	Sector Support Update 12 th November 2015
RAY	November newsletter
War Memorial Trust	November Bulletin Magazine
YLCA	White Rose Update November 2015
YLCA	Auto Enrolment Briefing

Invitations

Saddleworth Parish Council	Civic Dinner 5 th February 2015
Whitworth Town Council	Community Carol Service 14 th December 2015

Agendas

19/11/15	Communities Scrutiny Panel
23/11/15	Licensing & Regulatory Committee
24/11/15	Economy & Investment Panel
25/11/15	Use of Resources Scrutiny Panel

Matters arising from correspondence

The Clerk was asked to acknowledge receipt of Mr Shepherds e-mail and advise him of planning permission regarding tree preservation orders and the work undertaken by both Community groups and individuals to replace removed trees.

The Clerk was asked to circulate the YLCA briefing document on auto enrolment to all Councillors by e-mail.

Cllr Watson advised that he had received a letter from a resident regarding a planning application at Clarehill, Coach Road, Ripponden and asked if this could be circulated to all Councillors for discussion at the next meeting to be held on 3rd December.

10. To consider a Grant application received under the Local Government Act 1972 Section 137 for the Rotary Club of Sowerby Bridge

16188 Resolved in a motion by Cllr M Smith and seconded by Cllr Potts that the Parish Council awards a grant of £900 to the Rotary Club of Sowerby Bridge for the purchase of a defibrillator and cabinet for Ripponden. £439 funded through the remaining s137 budget and £461 from Revenue Reserves.

16189 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr J Smith that Standing Order 3(w) be suspended for 15 minutes to allow business to be completed

11. To discuss a response to Calderdale Council's Consultation on potential sites and other aspects of the Local Plan

16190 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr Moran that Cllr Carter, Cllr Naylor, Cllr Russell and Cllr Watson meet with the Clerk to provide a suitable response on behalf of the Parish Council on-line.

In the meantime Councillors were asked to e-mail the Clerk with any comments they wanted considering. The Clerk was asked to contact Calderdale Council to get clarification on what 'filtered' meant.

12. To discuss Funding options for the refurbishment of the Mill Fold play area

The Meeting agreed that this item should be held over to the next meeting to be held on 3rd December.

Cllr M Smith left the meeting at 9.35pm

13. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues**13.1. Planning Applications & Decisions****New Plans for this meeting****Application No: 15/01310/FUL**

Officer: Janine Branscombe
 Applicant: Property Holdings (Pennine)
 Site: Land East Of White Hart Fold Rochdale Road Ripponden
 Proposal: Eight dwellings
 History: 04/02307, 96/00474
 Main Issues: Site is designated as Primary Housing Area. The principle of development has already been accepted under planning application 04/02307. Will be assessed against H2, H9, BE1, BE2, BE5, T18

RPC Comments:

16191 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the Parish Council has no objections to this application, but requests that consideration be given to Permitted Development Rights being removed.

Application No: 15/01490/HSE

Officer: Steven Emery
 Applicant: Mr T Helliwell
 Site: 10 Coronation Terrace Ripponden
 Proposal: Two storey side extension
 History: 07/00053 – Garage (permit)
 Main Issues: The application is to be assessed against NPPF section 7 (Requiring Good Design) and RCUDP policies BE1 (General Design Criteria) and BE2 (Privacy, Daylighting and Amenity Space).

RPC Comments:

16192 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Potts that the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

Application No: 15/01468/HSE

Officer: Diane Scaramuzza
 Applicant: Dr A Arak
 Site: Handcroft Farm Bottomley Lane Barkisland
 Proposal: Demolition of existing storage shed to facilitate two storey side extension and detached car-port.

RPC Comments:

16193 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

16194 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Johnson that Standing Order 3(w) be suspended for a further 5 minutes to allow business to be completed

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

Application No: 15/01388/191

Officer: Claire Marshall

Applicant: Mr D Graydon

Site: Barkisland Cross Stables Greetland Road Barkisland

Proposal: Agricultural building (Lawful Development Certificate)

RPC Comments:

16195 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Watson and seconded by Cllr Robins that the Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds that it is exactly the same as the previous two applications and there is no justification for the development. The Parish Council requests that the Planning Officer shows consistency when considering this application.

Planning Decisions:

15/01239/LBC Baitings Cottage Rochdale Road Ripponden	Loft conversion, removal of internal walls and replacement windows (Listed Building Consent)	Granted
15/01227/HSE Sammar 11 Jackson Meadows Barkisland	Two storey and single storey rear extension	Granted
15/01223/FUL Little Merry Bent Farm Cross Wells Road Ripponden	Extension of agricultural shed	Refused
15/01130/FUL Turner Top Farm Pike End Road Rishworth	Installation of Northern Power 100-24 wind turbine, hub height 29.3m, rotor diameter 24.4m with tip height of 41.4m	Refused
15/00692/NMA Woodside Halifax Road Ripponden	Non Material amendment to application 15/00692 - Remove the two storey extension and slight changes to the single storey extension	Granted
15/20131/TPO Woodside Halifax Road Ripponden	Remove trees (Tree Preservation Order)	Granted
15/01277/HSE 67 Halifax Road Ripponden	Proposed works to create a new entrance porch and a stepped, fenced access to the lower ground floor.	Granted
15/01180/HSE Oaklea Manor Branch Road Barkisland	Three car garage with home office over	Refused

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15/01198/DISC1 Brookfield Stainland Road Barkisland	Submission of information to discharge condition 5 on 15/01198.	Partially Complied With
15/01377/HSE Smithy Fold Farm Withens End Lane Rishworth	Extension to east elevation to form swimming pool	Granted
15/00594/DISC1 Heights Barn Quakers Lane Sowerby Bridge	Submission of information to discharge conditions on application 15/00594 - conditions 2 and 4	Partially Complied With

13.2. Planning Enforcement

None

The meeting closed at 9.50pm