

The 1124th Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 23rd March 2017 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: - Cllr Johnson chaired the meeting.
Cllr Hunt, Cllr McCarley, Cllr Moran, Cllr Naylor, Cllr Potts, Cllr Robins, Cllr Watson

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence – Cllr Carter, Cllr Russell, Cllr J Smith, Cllr M Smith

Cllr Johnson asked that before commencing its business, the Parish Councils thoughts and condolences to the victims and their families of the incident at Westminster be recorded.

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1123rd Meeting held on Thursday 9th March 2017

Page 6066 Agenda item 3, paragraph 6 – add to end ‘It was agreed that printer costs will be reviewed’

Page 6066 Agenda item 3, paragraph 2 - delete ‘incinerator’

16677 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr Potts that after the above amendments, the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting held on Thursday 9th March 2017.

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 email had been received from Calderdale Council’s Projects Officer concerning the refurbishment of Mill Fold Play area. The officer advised that work was to commence on 27th March 2017.

An email had also been received from the Neighbourhood Co-ordinator of Calderdale Council providing an update on negotiations with Yorkshire Water on reservoir and flood prevention for the Parish Council’s references.

The Clerk advised that confirmation had been received from Hi Tech Security that the invoice for the reconnection of the monitoring system had now been cancelled. The Clerk was asked to contact Hi Tech to request that the system be checked to ensure that the alarm setting off on 9th March had been recorded.

An e-mail had been received from a resident concerning the Calder Valley Skip Hire planning application providing further environmental information. The Meeting agreed that this would be considered under Agenda item 10.

The Clerk reported that an e-mail had been received from Stones Cricket club advising that the new Parish Council panel had been installed on 24th March and that the supplier would invoice the Parish Council direct. The Clerk was asked to contact the secretary to request a photograph of the panel.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that PC Sutton had sent an e-mail to update the Parish Council on imminent changes to staffing in the Ryburn area. He also mentioned that the Neighbourhood Policing Team was now looking for a base in the valley due to the closure of Sowerby Bridge Police Station and informally asked about the possibility of using the Parish Council office. The Meeting agreed that consideration of this should be an Agenda item at the next meeting to be held on 6th April 2017.

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

The Clerk reported that Cllr M Smith had contacted her to advise that he felt that the letter the Parish Council had resolved to send to the West Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner regarding staffing levels needed to be referred back to Full Council due to the figure previously reported now being changed. After a short discussion, the Meeting agreed that the letter was still appropriate and should be sent. Cllr Naylor had reservations about this and requested a copy of the letter.

Cllr Watson reported that he had represented the Parish Council at the recent Planning Committee meeting regarding the planning application for 37 Castle Lane. Cllr Carter had also attended in her capacity as Ward Councillor and the application had been refused. The neighbouring residents thanked the Parish Council for its support and assistance.

Cllr Moran referred to the Flood Response report provided to the Parish Council by Calderdale Council. Cllr Moran was under the impression that as a volunteer she would receive some feedback from the exercises. The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Benn at Calderdale Council to make enquiries. Cllr Moran also asked about the budget for Business Rates since the invoice had been received for a zero balance. The Clerk confirmed that it would be up to the Parish Council to decide what would happen to the budget when it received its quarterly reviews.

Cllr Johnson reported that the repair to the wall at Nursery Lane had now been completed by Calderdale Council.

4. To receive Parish Councillors declarations of Interest

None

5. Public Participation

None present

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

The Clerk reported that:

The Neighbourhood Co-ordinator had forwarded information about the Community Sport & Recreational Award Nominations and wondered if the Parish Council might be interested in nominating Ryburn United. The Meeting agreed that consideration of this should be an Agenda item at the next meeting.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that Calderdale Council had sent an invoice for the Christmas lights installation 2016 for £679.00. An invoice had also been received from the YLCA for the 2017/18 membership of £922. The Meeting agreed that both invoices should be passed for payment at the next meeting.

An e-mail had been received from a resident concerning the telephone box on Rochdale Road. A small group of local residents would like to refurbish and asked if the Parish Council would like to attend a proposed meeting to discuss what the telephone box should be used. The Clerk was asked to reply to the resident to enquire as to what the group propose to do and advise of the criteria that needs to be followed as per the conditions placed on the sale of the box by British Telecom.

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

The Clerk advised that two e-mails had been received from concerned residents about the imminent closure of the post office in Ripponden. The Meeting agreed that a letter should be sent to Royal Mail to enquire as to its future plans for post office service in Ripponden.

Cllr McCarley asked if the Clerk could contact Calderdale Council concerning the Milestone at Bank Hey Bottom Lane and enquire if it was on the schedule of work for repainting in 2017. Cllr Watson also reminded the Meeting of the missing Soyland Milestone, which had been stored in Elland depot, he asked if a request could be made for it to be reinstated.

Cllr Potts reported on the Dementia Friendly Training Session that had taken place in the Parish Council office on 14th March. Disappointingly, it had not been well attended. As a representative of the Parish Council, he had also attended the Calderdale Dementia Alliance Seminar and presented a 15 minute talk on Ripponden's progress. Plans for the Ripponden Dementia Awareness Day were progressing for 6th May 2017 and Cllr Potts asked if the Parish Council could assist with funding for banners and advertising. The Meeting agreed that this should be an Agenda item at the next meeting. Cllr McCarley, Cllr Robins and Cllr Moran volunteered to assist with the organisation of the event.

Cllr Potts also reported that all the handrails were down on the path from Baitings dam towards Bar Lane. Cllr Potts agreed to provide photographs to the Clerk to assist with referring the matter to Calderdale Council.

Cllr Moran reported that the streetlights at Royd Lane car park were once again working. She also informed the Meeting of a recent article on dog fouling that had appeared in Country Living magazine. Cllr Moran asked for an update on the purchase of a trophy cabinet for the office. The Clerk advised that search for a suitable cabinet was on-going.

Cllr Moran asked for feedback on the Civic Dinner. Cllr Johnson said this would be held over to the next meeting when the Chairman would be present to provide a report.

Cllr Watson asked for clarification as to the Parish Council's intentions regarding office security since the matter had now been referred to the Buildings Committee to progress. The Meeting agreed that a new security panel, internal CCTV and security in general should be looked into. The Clerk was also asked to chase up a response from Calderdale Council regarding Ripponden Library.

Cllr Johnson reported that the fly tipping at the junction of Coal Gate Road and Greave End Farm still had not been removed. The Clerk was asked to chase the matter up with Calderdale Council.

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

None present

8. To agree accounts for payment

16678 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £970.10 be passed for payment.

9. To receive correspondence

Correspondence

Calderdale Council
Northern Gas

Briefing Note Calder Hebble Towpath
Essential Gas Works on Fall Lane Sowerby Bridge

9. To receive correspondence (continued)

Rishworth Environmental Group	Thank you for Grant
Mr & Mrs Hackett	Thank you for support
Chris Harris DL	Thank you for Civic Ball
Mayor of Hebden Royd	Thank you for Civic Ball
Mrs Naylor	Thank you for Civic Ball

Information

Calderdale Council	Changes to parking charges
Calderdale Council	Neighbourhood News March edition
Mr Dobson	Meeting re Calder Valley Skip Hire Planning Application
North Bank Forum	Sector Support Update –9 th & 16 th March 2017
YLCA	Better Broadband Campaign
YLCA	Request to demonstrate restraint
YLCA	White Rose Update March edition
WY Police & Crime Commissioner	March Newsletter

Invitations

Meltham Town Council	Civic Reception 21 st April 2017
Mirfield Town Council	Civic Sunday 30 th April 2017
Holme Valley Parish Council	Civic Reception 13 th May 2017
St Bartholomew's Church	Rishworth School concert 4 th May 2017

Agendas

27/03/2017	Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel
27/03/2017	Governance & Business Committee
28/03/2017	Adults Health & Social Care Scrutiny

Matters arising from correspondence

The Clerk was asked to put the briefing note on Calder Hebble towpath on the Parish Council's Facebook page.

It was agreed that Mr Dobson's e-mail be discussed under Agenda item 10.

Cllr Moran raised concerns about the number of Civic functions attended by the Chairman outside the Parish. It was agreed that this should be an Agenda item at a future meeting.

10. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues**10.1. Planning Applications & Decisions****Plans held over from previous meeting**

The Clerk read out the resident e-mail concerning the Environmental issues raised regarding Planning applications 17/00113 and 17/00114. Concerns were raised about individual Councillors having responded to the e-mail direct. It was felt that this should have been left to the Clerk. Due to her absence at this meeting, the Clerk was asked to clarify with Cllr Russell what she had said to the resident. Discussion then took place as to what the Parish Council resolution should be.

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

Application No: 17/00113/WAM

Case Officer: Anne Markwell
 Site: Calder Valley Skip Hire Belmont Industrial Estate Rochdale Road Triangle
 Proposal: Extension, including an external flue, and change of use of existing building from recycling use (B2) to heat and energy recovery process (sui generis) and introduction of mechanical drying of inert soils and aggregates (B2) adjacent to the existing recycling shed together with the installation in underground ducts of pipes connecting the energy recovery plant in the said building to the dryer
 Applicant: Calder Valley Skip Hire
 Allocation: Green Belt
 History: see table provided previously
 Main Issues: Effect on Green Belt, traffic impacts, emissions/odour, flood risk, effect on habitats, effect on environment and occupiers of surrounding properties. Key consultee responses will be those from Environmental Health, Public Health and Environment Agency.
 Key policies – GNE1 Containment of the Urban Area, NE3 Extension and Alteration to Other Buildings in the Green Belt, NE15 Development in Wildlife Corridors, NE16 Protection of Protected species, NE20 Tree Preservation Orders, BE1 General Design criteria, BE2 Privacy, Daylighting and Amenity Space, EP1 Protection of Air Quality, EP8 Other incompatible uses, EP15 Development Alongside Waterways, EP26 Encouraging the Use of Combined Heat and Power Systems, NPPF -1. Building a Strong, Competitive economy, 7. Requiring Good Design, 9. Protecting Green Belt Land, 10. Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change, Flooding and Coastal Change, 11. Conserving and Enhancing the Natural Environment, National Planning Policy for Waste

RPC Comments:

16679 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds of its impact on traffic and vehicle movement through Ripponden, the A58 is the main arterial route from junction 22 of the motorway and runs through the centre of the village; Emissions – fumes and toxins; Site Management issues; noise; policing; access; Effect on the Ryburn Greenway project; Impact of wildlife, protection of surrounding green belt land and impact of emissions on the environment and protected species.

Application No: 17/00114/VAR

Case Officer: Anne Markwell
 Site: Calder Valley Skip Hire Belmont Industrial Estate Rochdale Road Triangle
 Proposal: Variation of Conditions 5 (to allow 24 hour use within the building Monday to Friday inclusive) and 12 (to allow use of heat and energy recovery plant) of Planning Application 04/02712
 Applicant: Calder Valley Skip Hire
 Allocation: Green Belt
 History: See above
 Main Issues: This application has been submitted in order to address the conditions, which restrict hours and burning, which the application 16/00113/WAM is proposing activities outside the original conditions.
 Policies which relate to the conditions – see above – mainly EP1 and EP8
 The two applications (16/00113 & 16/00114) will therefore need to be determined together.

RPC Comments:

16680 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Watson and seconded by Cllr Moran that the Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds of noise, air pollution, traffic volume, temperature inversion with cold air collecting in the valley, impact on the surrounding residential area and the detrimental economic impact.

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

16681 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Potts that Cllr Robins and Cllr Watson should attend the public meeting to be held on Saturday 25th March as representatives of the Parish Council.

Application No: 17/00192/HSE

Case Officer: Janine Branscombe
 Site: Lower Goat House Oldham Road Ripponden
 Proposal: First floor extension (Revisions to previous approvals 16/01226/LBC and 16/01225/HSE)
 Applicant: Mr R Worthington
 Allocation: GB, SLA, Wild
 History: 16/01225/HSE - First floor extension and glazed sectional link to enclose a new staircase – permit
 16/01226/LBC - First floor extension and glazed sectional link to enclose a new staircase (Listed Building Consent) – granted
 Main Issues: Assessment under NPPF section 9 and RCUDP policies NE12, BE1, BE2, BE15 and NE15

RPC Comments:

16682 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the Parish Council has no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets policies.

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 Main Issues: Assessment under NPPF section 12 and RCUDP policies BE14.

RPC Comments:

16683 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the Parish Council has no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets policies

New Plans for this meeting

Application No: 17/00197/HSE

Case Officer: Steven Emery
 Site: 69 Stonelea Barkisland
 Proposal: Two storey extension to rear and single storey extension to side (Revised Scheme to 16/00886)
 Applicant: Mr A Croxall
 Allocation: PHA
 History: 16/00886/HSE - Two storey extension to side and rear - refused and dismissed at appeal.
 Main Issues: To be assessed under same policies H2, BE1, BE2 and T18.

RPC Comments:

16684 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the Parish Council has no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets policies.

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

Application No: 17/20024/TPO

Case Officer: Keith Grady
 Site: 3 Stony Croft Lane Ripponden
 Proposal: Reduce one tree (Tree Preservation Order)
 Applicant: Mr S Gamble
 Allocation: Primary Housing Area
 History: Various application to both prune and fell. Most recent application 15/20024 to fell the tree was refused and dismissed at appeal.
 Main Issues: The amenity value of the tree 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:

16685 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor 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 practice.

Planning Decisions:

16/01599/FUL Delf Barn Clapgate Lane Triangle	Extension and change of use of existing summerhouse to holiday let.	Granted
17/00072/HSE Heatherlea Nursery Lane Ripponden	Single storey ground floor extensions to the front of the property, and a first floor extension and rear dormer balcony over garage	Granted
17/20004/TPO 39 Bar Lane Ripponden	Fell seven trees and prune eighteen trees (Tree Preservation Order)	Granted
17/20007/TPO 18 Pinfold Close Barkisland	Prune one tree (Tree Preservation Order)	Granted
17/00060/HSE The Shambles 127A Oldham Road Ripponden	Two storey side elevation extension (retrospective)	Granted
17/00013/RES Oaklea Manor Branch Road Barkisland	Domestic stable with associated hard standing (Reserved Matters Pursuant to 15/00031)	Granted
16/01614/HSE 37 Castle Lane Ripponden	Raised patio and retaining wall to rear (Part Retrospective)	Refused

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

16/00599/NMA	Non Material Amendment to application	Refused
Riverside Harley	16/00599 - addition of single storey extension	
House Mill Fold	to plot 1	
Way Ripponden		

10.2. Planning Enforcement

None

Cllr Naylor reported that the wind turbine at Heath Lea Farm had fallen down.

The meeting closed at 9.06pm