

The 1107th Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 28th July 2016 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: - Cllr J Smith chaired the meeting.
Cllr Carter, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Naylor, Cllr M Smith, Cllr Watson

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence – Cllr Hunt, Cllr Moran, Cllr McCarley, Cllr Potts, Cllr Robins, Cllr Russell

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1106th Meeting held on Thursday 14th July 2016

16462 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Watson and seconded by Cllr M Smith that the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting held on Thursday 14th July 2016.

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 additional spending on Councillor YLCA Training - £70

16463 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Johnson that the Parish Council approves additional spending of £70 on Councillor YLCA training.

3.2. To sign the Supplemental Lease for 107 Halifax Road, Ripponden

The Supplemental lease was duly signed by the Clerk and witnessed by the Chairman.

The Clerk reported that:

An e-mail had been received from the Calderdale Council's Lead for Asset Management acknowledging the Parish Councils notice on the lease for Riverside Meadows. The Clerk advised that it had been brought to her attention that the owner of The Old Bridge Inn had recently arranged the cutting of the grass under the previous arrangement that the Parish Council would pay the cost. Cllr J Smith and Cllr Naylor reported that they had spoken with the owner and advised that the Council had not renewed the lease prior to the grass cutting. The Meeting agreed therefore that the cost would not be reimbursed.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that a reply had been received from the Calderdale Methodist Circuit providing an update on its plans for Krumlin Methodist Graveyard. The Clerk was asked to provide a copy of the letter to Cllr Russell for her references.

A reply had been received from the Environment Agency confirming that the River Ryburn was classed as an ordinary watercourse upstream of the weir at Watson Bridge in Sowerby Bridge. It also advised that the Local Lead Flood Authority (Calderdale Council) was now the Risk Management Authority overseeing ordinary watercourses in Calderdale.

An e-mail had been received from the Environment Agency regarding the setting up of a meeting at Clockface Quarry. The officer requested more information as to who the Parish Council wanted to include. The Clerk confirmed that she had responded to advise that it would be useful to meet with Calderdale Council and the operator as well as the Environment Agency.

The Clerk reported that Cllr Watson had sent an e-mail confirming that he had repaired the bench at St Johns Estate and enclosed a picture for the Parish Councils records. The Chairman thanked Cllr Watson for his prompt action.

The Clerk confirmed that an e-mail had been received from Cllr McCarley formally resigning as the lead Councillor responsible for the Parish Council Facebook page. The Meeting agreed that this should be referred to the Communications Committee to agree a replacement.

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

Cllr Naylor referred to the previous minutes and on-going conversations between Councillors about the quarterly budget. He reminded Councillors that the Parish Council could only receive and accept the quarterly budget not approve it since it was a factual document reported for information only. All payments had been reported and approved by Full Council prior to bring made. Cllr Naylor raised concerns about the remit of the Finance Committee. Further discussion took place regarding its future role and relationship with the Responsible Finance Officer. It was agreed that the Terms of References would need close scrutiny to ensure their legality when recommended to Full Council by the Committee.

Cllr Carter reported on the recent Yorkshire in Bloom judging and felt there had been very positive feedback from the judges.

Cllr Watson provided photographs for the Meetings references showing the numerous fallen trees still blocking the Ryburn River. The Meeting agreed that these should be forwarded onto Calderdale Council for removal. The Clerk was also asked to write to the Chief Executive to request that an officer attend a future Parish Council meeting to provide clarification as to the expectations and actions of Calderdale Council as the Risk Management Authority.

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

6.1. To approve the Press Release for Dementia Friendly Affiliation

16464 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr M Smith that the Parish Council approves the press release for Dementia Friendly Affiliation.

The Clerk reported that:

An e-mail had been received from two residents regarding the vacant site adjacent to the Pinfold on Scammonden Road, Barkisland. They advise that the site is an eyesore and asked if the Parish Council could provide assistance. The Meeting agreed that the Clerk should write to Calderdale Council to express concerns about the listed building and ask if any action could be taken to protect the Pinfold.

The Clerk advised that Cllr Moran had sent an e-mail reporting on her attendance at the Dementia Friendly training session and the Ryburn United Festaball which had been a very well attended and well organised event.

The Clerk requested meeting dates for Finance, Neighbourhood Planning and Standards Committees. The Meeting agreed that the Standards Committee meeting should be Tuesday 25th October 2016 at 7.00pm. The Clerk was asked to circulate e-mails to the members of the Finance and Neighbourhood Planning Committee for availability.

In addition to the above the Clerk reported that the Employment Committee was due to meet Monday 1st August. Unfortunately two out of the three members had now informed the Clerk that they could not attend. The Clerk advised that the Parish Council needed to progress recruitment as a matter of urgency so the meeting needed to go ahead.

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

16465 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr M Smith that Cllr Watson should be temporarily co-opted onto the Employment Committee to progress with the recruitment for an Assistant Clerk.

16466 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr M Smith that the interview panel should be Cllr J Smith, Cllr Johnson and Cllr Watson.

Cllr Johnson reported that together with Cllr Carter he had met with the Yorkshire in Bloom Judges on the 18th July and the meeting had been very productive. He had also represented the Parish Council at the Rural Crime Consultation event in Wakefield. He advised that a full report was to be sent to the Council from West Yorkshire Police. Cllr Johnson also reported that he had attended the Ryburn United Festiball event in his capacity as Vice-Chairman.

Cllr M Smith reported as president of Ryburn United that the Festiball event had been very successful and the club had received very positive feedback. He also advised that the club was in the process of purchasing their new strip and would take photographs for the Parish Council to display in the Council office. They would also be approaching the Clerk to arrange for a window display for the full club including the juniors.

Cllr Naylor reported that he had purchased a grass cutting machine and volunteered to cut the grass at Redan crossroads. He advised that he would speak with Mr Denton regarding this to ensure that he was happy with this.

Cllr Watson reviewed the Christmas Lights Committees meeting with Mr Jowett of Bradford Council which had been very constructive.

Cllr J Smith reported that with her consort she had attended Whitworth Town Council Civic Sunday. She had also attended the Dementia Friendly training session which had been well attended and very informative.

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

Cllr Carter reported that she had been speaking with Pennine Housing regarding resident concerns about the future plans for St Johns Estate. She advised that she will continue to pursue answers but was currently finding this difficult with little co-operation from Pennine Housing. Cllr Carter advised that she will update the Parish Council as and when she received any information.

Cllr Carter also reported that she has spoken with one of the landowners at Back Lane regarding the overhanging trees. She advised that the landowner was to take action to improve the situation.

8. To agree accounts for payment

16467 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Watson and seconded by Cllr Carter that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £585.08 be passed for payment.

Cllr Johnson abstained from the vote.

9. To receive correspondence**Correspondence**

Mr & Mrs Hackett
WY Police

Planning application 16/00845/HSE
Thank you for attendance at Rural Crime Consultation event

9. To receive correspondence (continued)**Information**

North Bank Forum	Sector Support Update 22 nd July
WY Police	Use of body worn video cameras
WYCA	Transport & Bus Strategy Consultation
YLCA	White Rose Update - July

Invitations

Whitworth Town Council	Mayors Charity Hoedown 22 nd October 2016
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Agendas

29/07/16	CAFM Asset Management Board
02/08/16	Cabinet Markets Working Party
02/08/16	Planning Committee 1

Matters arising from correspondence

The Meeting agreed that Mr and Mrs Hackett's letter should be considered under Agenda item 11.

Clerk was asked to refer the WYCA Consultation to the Communications Committee.

It was agreed that the Parish Council should fly the Union Flag for Commonwealth day in 13th March 2017 and the Red Ensign or Union Flag for Merchant Navy day 3rd September 2016.

Cllr Johnson advised that he had received a c.c. letter addressed to Calderdale Council Ward Councillors from a resident regarding the Ryburn Valley Greenway project. The letter was passed to the Clerk for the Parish Council's records.

10. To discuss the provision of CCTV for the Parish

16468 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Watson that Cllr Johnson and Cllr M Smith should prepare a report with proposals and recommendations for consideration at a future Full Council meeting.

11. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues**11.1. Planning Applications & Decisions****New Plans for this Meeting****Application No: 16/20114/TPO**

Officer:	Keith Grady
Applicant:	Mr C Knight
Site:	Quart Acre Elland Road Ripponden
Proposal:	Fell one tree (Tree Preservation Order)
History:	Two previous applications to fell the tree refused due to lack of information and amenity of the tree (05/20175/TPO, 08/20116/TPO), and an appeal in 2008 was dismissed. Consent was granted to prune the tree in 1977 and 1993 (77/20005/TPO, 1993/2008/TPO).

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

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:

16469 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 Officer being satisfied that it meets good arboricultural practise.

Application No: 16/00858/FUL

Officer: Sara Johnson

Applicant: Mr A Judson

Site: Turner Top Farm Pike End Road Rishworth

Proposal: Installation of Northern Power 100-24 wind turbine, hub height 29.3m, rotor diameter 24.4m with tip height of 41.4m

History: This is a resubmission of refused application 15/01130/FUL which was also for the installation of Northern Power 100-24 wind turbine, hub height 29.3m, rotor diameter 24.4m with tip height of 41.4m

Main Issues: The site is located in the Green Belt therefore the presumption is against not in favour of the development according to NPPF9. However special circumstances can sometimes balance out the harm to the Green Belt such as environmental benefits. Will be assessed against NPPF9, EP30, EP28, BE1, NE16, BE5 and EP8.

There is a current smaller wind turbine on site. The existing Evance 5kw wind turbine on a 15m mast was approved in 2011, 11/01454/FUL. This Wind Turbine is remaining in place.

RPC Comments:

16470 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds that there is no sustainability as there is no longer a working farm. Policies NPPF 9, BE1, NE16 and BE5.

Cllr M Smith declared an interest in the next application

The Chairman read out Mr and Mrs Hackett's letter and the photographs circulated

Application No: 16/00845/HSE

Officer: Steven Emery

Applicant: Mr S Kirby

Site: 37 Castle Lane Ripponden

Proposal: Raised patio and retaining wall to rear (Part Retrospective)

History: 16/60088/ENF - PATIO AND FENCING

Main Issues: Application will be assessed against NPPF section 9 (Green Belt) and RCUDP policies NE7, BE1 and BE2

RPC Comments:

16471 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Carter that the Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds that there are daylighting issues for neighbouring residents, BE1, BE2 and BE3. It is currently in Green Belt- NE3 & NE and a wildlife corridor – NE15. It is believed that the application is contrary to NPPF9 and unsuitable materials are being used NPPF7.

Application No: 16/20112/TPO

Officer: Keith Grady

Applicant: Mr I Fellows

Site: 43 Spinners Hollow Sowerby Bridge

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

Proposal: Prune one tree (Tree Preservation Order)
 History: Two applications have been considered to prune the tree in these gardens and have been approved (02/20083 & 08/20161)
 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:

16472 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 Officer being satisfied that it meets good arboricultural practise.

Application No: 16/00923/FUL

Officer: Sara Johnson
 Applicant: The School Governors
 Site: St Johns CE Primary School Godly Lane Rishworth
 Proposal: Installation of new paladin fencing and associated pedestrian and vehicle gates
 History: Lots since 2006, most recent classroom and internal remodelling 11/01580/FUL
 Main Issues: OS1 Open Space, Visual Amenity BE1 and BE5 the design of highways and accesses.

RPC Comments:

16473 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Watson that the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

Application No: 16/00603/FUL

Officer: Janine Branscombe
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs C Criscione
 Site: Land Adjacent To 36 Stainland Road Barkisland
 Proposal: Conversion of building to dwelling

RPC Comments:

16474 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Johnson that this application be held over to the next meeting pending planning officer comments.

Planning Decisions:

16/10020/ADV 250 Halifax Road Ripponden	one internally illuminated fascia signs (Advertisement Consent)	Granted
16/00804/HSE 22 Stones Drive Ripponden	Single storey rear extension with roof terrace.	Granted
15/01665/FUL Lightlie Royd Lightcliffe Royd Lane Barkisland	Conversion of barn to form two dwellings and one garage.	Refused
16/00671/FUL Land Adjacent To Oak Bank Excelsior Close Ripponden	Amended design for one dwelling on plot 5 pursuant to planning permission 13/01469/FUL	Refused

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- 11.2. Planning Enforcement

None

The meeting closed at 9.10pm