

The 1163rd Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 4th October 2018 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: Cllr Johnson chaired the meeting
Cllr Hunt, Cllr Moran, Cllr Naylor

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence with apologies – Cllr Carter, Cllr McCarley, Cllr Potts, Cllr Robins, Cllr Russell,
Cllr J Smith, Cllr M Smith, Cllr Thornber

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1162nd Meeting held on Thursday 20th September 2018

Page 6335, Agenda item 10, 10.2 amend 'Hall' to 'Hollin'

17250 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Moran 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 20th September 2018.

Cllr Hunt abstained due to being absent for the meeting.

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 a budget for the Christmas Lights Switch-On event

Cllr Johnson reviewed the Christmas Lights Switch-On Committee Meeting held on 28th September 2018, the main points being Christmas lights for Soyland, Publicity, Father Christmas, agreeing the Action Plan and proposed Expenditure.

17251 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the Parish Council approves a budget of £725 for the Christmas Lights Switch On.

The Clerk reported that:

A letter had been received from Post Office Ltd advising that they had been unable to identify a suitable solution to the closure of Ripponden Post Office and as such, the branch would remain closed. It was advised that they would consider any future options that arose if there were any significant changes. However, due to the length of time that the branch had been closed the Post Office Ltd would need to be satisfied that any new opportunity would be sustainable. The Meeting agreed that the information should be posted on the Parish Council website and Facebook.

Cllr Moran asked about attendance at the Michaelmas Show. The Clerk advised that she had as yet to compile the statistics but there had been approx. 30 to 35 entrants and over 100 entries. Cllr Johnson advised that he would be reporting on the Michaelmas Show under Agenda item 6.

Cllr Johnson asked the Clerk if any acknowledgement had been received from Ryburn United for the Parish Council grant. The Clerk reported that nothing had been received.

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 approve the draft Press Release from the Communications Committee

The Chairman thanked Cllr Moran for drafting the article at short notice

17252 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Hunt and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council approves the Communications Committee press release on the commemoration booklet.

The Clerk reported that:

An e-mail had been received from Calderdale Council regarding the Town & Parish Council Annual Conference scheduled to be held on Saturday 6th October 2018. The officer requested that a Councillor from each Parish Council provide a 5 minutes update on its activities. Cllr Johnson agreed to do the presentation and report back on the conference at the next meeting.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that a letter had been received from HMRC advising of the new on-line service to claim a VAT refund. A new reference number had also been provided.

A letter had been received from the Internal Auditor confirming that the interim audit had taken place and that there were no matters to be brought to the Council's attention.

The Clerk advised that she had been asked to let the Parish Council know that BD Brooks had donated an engraved stone to St Bartholomew's Church in commemoration of the Falling Poppies event, marking the centenary of the end of WW1. It was thought that perhaps after the centenary events the stone could be relocated to Ripponden Memorial Garden if a place cannot be found at the church. The redesign of the Memorial Garden is a project of the Environment Committee and discussion had taken place about a possible stone to be placed flat in the problem area, which currently is planted up by Calderdale Council. The Meeting had no objection to this and the Clerk was asked to seek permission from Calderdale Council.

An e-mail had been received from Ms Bower the Guide Leader regarding Remembrance Sunday and the Guide project of making a heart pin cushion for each of the names on the War Memorials. She wondered if a sample could be displayed in the Parish Council window as part of its display for Remembrance Sunday. The Meeting saw no problem with this and the Clerk was asked to let the Guide Leader know.

The Clerk reported that she had provisionally booked the coach for the band for Remembrance Sunday at a cost of £430. The Meeting confirmed that the booking should be proceeded with.

The Clerk asked for a meeting date for the Communications Committee and this was agreed as Wednesday 7th November 2018 at 7pm.

Cllr Moran reported that she had attended the Ryburn Ward Forum and provided written notes, which had been copied to all Councillors. She also informed the Meeting that the St Bartholomew's Church Poppy Campaign had more than 10,000 poppies, these were now being sewn onto the meshing.

Cllr Hunt reported that there had been a water pipe burst at Slitheroe Bridge, which still had not been resolved. He also asked for the minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 31st July 2018 be included in the Minutes of this meeting.

17253 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 31st July 2018 be included in the Minutes of this Meeting (see appendix 1).

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

Cllr Hunt reviewed the Environment Committee meeting held on 25th September 2018, the main points being the purchase of handihoods, Yorkshire in Bloom review, purchase of a WW1 bench, Dog Waste Bag Dispensers and the Memorial Garden.

Cllr Naylor reported that he had helped with the collection and setting up of the tables for the Michaelmas Show and thanked those involved with returning the tables to the church after the event, in his absence.

Cllr Johnson reported that he had attended and assisted at the Michaelmas Show. He thanked Cllr Potts and Cllr Naylor for their assistance and Cllr Carter for stepping in for Cllr Hunt. A review of numbers and the future of the Michaelmas Show would be undertaken by the Environment Committee at its next meeting.

Cllr Johnson also reported that he had attended Mossley Civic Service, replaced the window in the Krumlin telephone box and installed the new dog waste bag dispenser at Mill Fold. He had liaised with Cllr Robins regarding the dispenser for Soyland and the Alma Inn had agreed to put a post in place at their cost. He also confirmed that the road closure application for Remembrance Sunday had been submitted to Calderdale Council.

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

None present

8. To agree accounts for payment

17254 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £3,119.99 be passed for payment.

9. To receive correspondence

Correspondence

West Yorkshire Lieutenancy Office
Chris Harris DL

Re the Civic Sunday invitation to the Lord Lieutenant
Acceptance for Civic Sunday & Remembrance Sunday

Information

Calderdale Council
Cllr J Moran
NALC
VSI Alliance
WY Police & Crime Commissioner
YLCA
YLCA

TTRO Bank Hey Bottom Lane, Ripponden
Notes from Ward Forum
Newsletters 26th September
Newsletter 21st September
October Newsletter
NALC Chief Executive Bulletin 24th & 28th September
Training Programme October to November 2018

Invitations

St Bartholomew's Church
St Bartholomew's Church

Falling Poppy 2018 official opening 28th October 2018
Friendly Band Concert 19th October 2018

Agendas

04/10/2018
08/10/2018
10/10/2018

Place Scrutiny Board
Licensing & Regulatory Committee
Flooding Scrutiny Panel

9. To receive correspondence (continued)**Matters arising from correspondence**

The Clerk was asked to forward the invitation for the Friendly Band Concert onto Cllr Carter due to the Chairman having a prior engagement.

Cllr Naylor advised that he had found a copy of the original Flood pack from approximately 10 years ago which he would pass onto the Clerk for the archives.

10. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues**10.1 Planning Applications & Decisions****New Plans for this meeting****Application No: 18/01109/HSE**

Site: Cairnwood 1 Stones Drive Ripponden

Proposal: Internal alterations and two storey extension to north east elevation

RPC Comments:

17255 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Moran that the Parish Council had no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets policies.

Application No: 18/00985/FUL

Site: The Lodge Slack Lane Barkisland

Proposal: Refurbishment of an existing redundant farm building to form single bedroom holiday let cottage

RPC Comments:

17256 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Moran and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the Parish Council had no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets policies.

Application No: 18/01086/FUL

Site: Cockpit Farm Cock Pit Lane Rishworth

Proposal: Change of use of paddock to menage

RPC Comments:

17257 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Moran that the Parish Council had no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets policies.

Planning Decisions:**18/00951/HSE**

Smithy Clough
House Smithy
Clough Lane
Ripponden

Replacement garage

Granted**18/00689/COU**

Unit 1 Slitheroe
Works Oldham
Road Ripponden

Change of use from storage (B8) to taxi booking office (Sui Generis)

Granted

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

10.2. Planning Enforcement

None

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

Receipts & Payments – 4th October 2018

Payments:

Invoice Reference	Method		VAT	Total
19-066	Cheque	HM Revenue & Customs		1057.85
19-067	Cheque	The Ripponden Club		98.00
19-072	Cheque	Peter Madden		100.00
19-068	Bank Transfer	RBL Poppy Appeal		180.00
19-069	Bank Transfer	JRB Enterprise Ltd	48.90	293.40
19-070	Bank Transfer	Mrs L Kitchen		44.00
Total			48.90	1773.25

Receipts:

None

Appendix 1

Environment Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 31st July 2018 at 7.00pm

Cllr Hunt chaired the meeting

Present: - Cllr Carter, Cllr Johnson, Cllr McCarley, Mr Hart (RIB), Mr Fisher (REG)

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence – Cllr Moran, Ms Mitchell (CMBC), Mr Winrow (SIB), Mr Sofiled (BIB)

2. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th June 2018

ENV2018-07 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr McCarley that the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting held on Tuesday 19th June 2018.

3. Matters arising from previous meetings

The Clerk reported that an e-mail had been received from Ms Mitchell of Calderdale Council advising of her resignation.

The Clerk confirmed that the percussion tap had now been installed at the library. An invoice has been received but it is addressed incorrectly so referred back to Calderdale Council. Also the cost has slightly increased due to changes in regulations regarding installation of taps.

A request has been received from Rishworth Environmental Group for a grant of £540 to re stone the path at Jubilee garden, Rishworth. It was agreed that this would be discussed under Agenda item 12.

An e-mail response had been received from Mr Lister at Together Housing regarding the land at Brig Royd. He confirms that his team are experimenting with planting to see what is best for the problem area.

An e-mail response had been received from Calderdale Council concerning the LED replacement of the Victorian Lampposts. The officer confirmed that at present the Council is looking to replace the Victorian lampposts like for like or refurbish them within the conservation area. Cllr Carter advised that Sandyfoot was not in a Conservation area so the Clerk was asked to check that Sandyfoot would also be included.

The Clerk advised that she had received a quote from Briggs Priestley for Sponsorship plaques. The cost appeared quite high but after looking at alternative suppliers it was in line with their costings. The meeting felt that further investigation may be needed and the Clerk said she would speak with Cllr J Smith again regarding the supplier used previously by Ripponden in Bloom and report back at the next meeting.

Cllr McCarley advised that he had made no progress regarding a spreadsheet for the parish Milestones.

4. Members Reports

Cllr Johnson reported that there was a major problem with fly tipping on Rochdale Road near Turvin Road. He confirmed that the matter had been reported to Calderdale Council on several occasions, each time the rubbish had been removed only for the culprit to dump more. It was agreed that a notice should be put on facebook and the notice boards to see if anyone can

identify who is responsible. Cllr Carter also asked Cllr Johnson to send her a photograph and she would speak with Environmental Health.

Mr Fisher on behalf of Rishworth Environmental Group reported that the group had concentrated on watering the barrels and planters due to the hot weather. They still have some of the funding left from last year and will be using this to replace plants. Mr Fisher is still to speak with the Cinnamon Lounge regarding sponsorship.

Mr Hart on behalf of Ripponden in Bloom thanked the Parish Council for organising the percussion tap at the library it certainly makes watering the planters easier by the bus layby. Over the past few weeks the group have been busy watering and dead heading the plants in the village for Yorkshire in Bloom judging and really appreciated being involved on the day speaking with the judges. He asked if the group could have more of the litter picking rings previously supplied by Calderdale Council. Cllr Carter said that she would make enquiries as to what the rings are called and whether or not Calderdale Council still had a supply.

The Clerk read out an update from Mr Winrow on behalf of Soyland in Bloom. The grass at Ebenezer graveyard had been cut and was looking much tidier. Also the banking and grass verges at Hob Lane had been cut using the funding from the Parish Council. The group had been busy working at Hob Lane replanting but due to the hot weather the decision was taken not to do any extra planting so the group will restart early autumn.

Cllr Carter reported that she had spoken with the Yorkshire in Bloom judges about the planting in the Memorial Garden and a couple of suggestions had been made for the patch on the slope. It was agreed that this should be a new project and be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

Cllr Carter also reported on the land at the bottom of Fountain Street where the seeds had not taken due to the dry conditions. Ms Mitchell had suggested putting in small boulders to make a rock garden, but with her leaving Cllr Carter was unsure if this would go ahead. She will try and speak with Ms Mitchell before she leaves the Council.

Mr Hart asked about the missing planter at the Memorial Garden which had been taken away for repair earlier in the year. Cllr Carter said that she would make enquiries and report back at the next meeting.

5. To review the Committees budget and expenditure

The Clerk provided copies of the spreadsheet as at 30th July 2018.

ENV2018-08 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Carter and seconded by Cllr Johnson that budget and expenditure be accepted as presented to the meeting.

6. Replacement of Dog Waste Bag Dispensers

The Clerk provided photographs of the dispenser at Barkisland and Mill Fold, both in need of replacement. The Clerk informed the meeting that replacements could be obtained from JRB enterprise at £94.50. The meeting agreed that 3 dispensers should be purchased to include one for Soyland.

7. Shop Window Poppy Displays

The Meeting agreed that to promote shop owners to dress their windows to commemorate the centenary of the end of WW1 to coincide with Halifax town centre, week commencing 27th October 2018, would be a lovely idea. Cllr Carter and Cllr Johnson agreed to visit each shop in the centre of Ripponden to see if they would participate.

8. Ebenezer Graveyard

Cllr Johnson volunteered to speak with a local joiner/odd job man to see if he could give any advice as to what was needed to repair/refurbish the gate and will report back at the next meeting.

9. Yorkshire in Bloom judging

Cllr Carter gave a brief review of the judging and thanked all who supported the entry in anyway.

10. Michaelmas Show

The Clerk provided a draft copy of the schedule to Committee members and the Meeting went through the schedule and agreed amendments to the categories. It was also agreed that Mr & Mrs Sofield be invited to judge the Arts & Crafts categories. The Clerk was asked to contact the judges from last year to see if they would be available for judging this year.

11. Refurbishment of Street Furniture

Cllr Carter and Cllr Johnson agreed to inspect all the benches on the previously compiled spreadsheet and report back at the next meeting.

It was agreed that the Notice Boards at Central Hall and one at Rishworth needed replacing for next year and this should be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr Fisher advised that he would be happy to put notices in the Rishworth Notice Boards if Cllr Potts was unavailable to do so.

12. To approve spending from the Environment Committee

ENV2018-09 Resolved in a motion by Cllr McCarley and seconded by Cllr Carter that the Committee approves the expenditure for:

3 x Dog Waste Bag Dispensers at £94.50 each	£283.50
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ENV2018-10 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Carter that the Committee approves the expenditure for:

Grant for pathway stones for Rishworth Environmental Group	£540.00
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16. To arrange the date of the next meeting

It was agreed as Tuesday 25th September 2018 at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.40pm