

The 1110th Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 8th September 2016 at 7.15pm.

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

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

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

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1109th Meeting held on Thursday 25th August 2016

Page 5970 Agenda item 6. 2nd paragraph, amend 'WYCA' to 'West Yorkshire Combined Authority'

Page 5970 Agenda item 6. 2nd paragraph, after 'budgets' add 'and lack of electricity supply. Cllrs....'

Page 5970 Agenda item 6 2nd paragraph, final sentence remove 'matched'

16490 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Moran and seconded by Cllr Naylor that after the above amendments, the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting held on Thursday 25th August 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 the Terms of Reference for the Events Committee

16491 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Potts and seconded by Cllr Russell that after one minor amendment the Parish Council approves the Terms of Reference for the Events Committee.

The Clerk reported that:

A letter had been received from Calderdale Council regarding the Parish Councils request for matched funding for the refurbishment plans for Mill Fold play area. The officer advised that the Council was unable to provide any funding but would commit to the previously discussed refurbishment of some of the smaller equipment items.

The Clerk advised that a further e-mail had been received from the Environment Agency advising that they will liaise with Calderdale Council and the management at Clock Face Quarry to arrange a suitable meeting date. It was reiterated that the Councillors representing the Parish Council would be Cllr Naylor, Cllr Russell, Cllr M Smith and Cllr Watson.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that she had contacted the Parish Council's security alarm provider about an upgrade to the internal security panel. It was recommended that the Parish Council looks at a 15 user panel at a cost of £227 plus VAT. Cllr Moran mentioned that passive infra-red boxes could now be purchased with built in cameras. The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about these and that the upgrade of security equipment should be an Agenda item at the next meeting.

The Clerk advised that Cllr Watson had passed an acknowledgement note from Craig Whittaker MP for the Parish Council's references, concerning Calderdale Council's strategic plan for the future prevention of flooding.

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council's upgraded website was now ready to be set live. All the reported problems had been dealt with by Fab Spider and the Communications Committee was satisfied with the content.

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

Notice had been received from Groundworks that the Parish Council's application for a Tesco's grant had been approved. Guidelines had been provided as to how the Parish Council could promote resident voting for the project.

Cllr Naylor asked that in relation to funding for the refurbishment of Mill Fold play area, a letter be sent to Calderdale Council to enquire as to what happened to the s106 money from the Rylands Park development.

Cllr Johnson updated the Meeting on the progress made in producing a report for Full Council concerning CCTV.

4. To receive Parish Councillors declarations of Interest

None

5. Public Participation

Cllr Holden as Ward Councillor for Agenda item 7.

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

The Clerk reported that:

A suitable candidate had been selected for the Assistant Clerk post and that the applicant had accepted. The new Assistant Clerk was to commence work week commencing 12th September.

The Clerk informed the Meeting that an e-mail had been received from a resident requesting the Parish Council displays a poster advertising a forthcoming sale for children and babies nearly new clothing. The Meeting agreed that since the sale was a commercial venture and out of the area it could not be advertised in the office window.

Ripponden in Bloom had yet again reported vandalism at Brig Royd above the bus shelter. An additional two incidents have now been reported to the police and PC Sutton advised that the situation would be monitored and a notice put on social media.

The Clerk advised that the Church Warden had confirmed that the Parish Council could use the tables again this year for the Michaelmas Show. Cllr Johnson and Cllr Potts agreed to organise the table pick up. Cllr Naylor and Cllr Watson will assist if available.

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had received a request for personal information under the Data Protection Act. The Clerk advised that she was currently seeking advice from Calderdale Council as to what could and could not be disclosed.

The Clerk asked for dates for Christmas Lights and Employment Committee meetings. It was agreed that the Christmas Lights Committee would meet on Thursday 15th September at 7.00pm and the Employment Committee on Monday 19th September at 1.00pm.

Cllr Watson asked that the amount of holiday given to the Assistant Clerk be reviewed by the Employment Committee at its next meeting.

Cllr Robins reported that together with Cllr Moran she had attended a Crime Prevention meeting held at Elcon. The meeting had been disappointingly poorly attended by members of the public but the information provided by the police had been very interesting. The Clerk was asked to liaise with the Crime Prevention officer for a supply of posters and leaflets for the office. It was also agreed that publicity for crime prevention should be referred to the Communications Committee.

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

Cllr Robins asked if the Parish Council could look into the possibility of sponsoring a leaflet distribution perhaps twice a year with Go Local. It was agreed that this should be referred to the Communications Committee to progress in conjunction with the Crime Prevention officer.

Cllr Robins raised concerns about the limited information being published by the Parish Council on Facebook in recent weeks. It was agreed that this concern should be referred back to the Communications Committee to look into.

Cllr Hunt reported that several street lights on Oldham Road near the school were out. Cllr Naylor advised that the matter had already been reported to Calderdale Council.

Cllr Moran advised that there was overhanging vegetation on Royd Lane/Stony lane and asked if this could be reported to Calderdale Council.

Cllr Potts provided an update on progress for Dementia Friendly affiliation. Cllr Robins is to do a final push with local businesses and encourage them to at least do the on-line training. There had been a good response from local groups and the organiser of the Sowerby Bridge café had been in touch offering advice. The Clerk was to contact the local groups to see if a meeting could be arranged to discuss the possibility of a café in the Parish.

Cllr Johnson reported that he had received a complaint from a resident in Soyland whose bins had not been emptied for over six weeks. He confirmed that he had referred the matter to Cllr Thornber to progress with Calderdale Council. He also reported that he had put the Michaelmas Show banner up and distributed cycle leaflets to local pubs for the Rushbearing weekend.

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

Cllr Holden provided an update on several issues:

Speeding – Cllr Holden is trying to set up a Speed Watch group to operate mobile speed devices, with funding from the Ward which would hopefully cover the whole of Ryburn.

Overgrown trees at Back lane, Ripponden – Cllr Holden is currently speaking with officers at Calderdale Council to resolve the issue.

Refuse Collection – issues are still occurring within the Parish and Ward Councillors are dealing with complaints on a daily basis. Cllr Russell asked if re-cycling was actually being recycled, Cllr Holden advised that he would find out and report back to the Clerk.

Rural Watch – is to be relaunched but needs volunteers to manage and promote the service.

Street Light faults – Cllr Holden advised that Calderdale Councils website portal was an excellent way to report any faults. Cllr Potts asked if Calderdale Council had any plans to resurrect the link with the 'Fix My Street' application. Cllr Holden advised that he would look into the matter.

Cllr Holden advised that he was disappointed with comments made by Craig Whittaker MP regarding Calderdale Councils Flood Strategic Plan. He re-iterated that Calderdale Council was fully equipped to deliver its plans in the event of future flooding within the area.

8. To agree accounts for payment

16492 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Robins and seconded by Cllr Russell that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £2,771.42 be passed for payment.

9. To receive correspondence**Correspondence**

Mr & Mrs Bruce
Calderdale Council

Sycamore tree outside 5/6 Greenacres
Planning application 16/00975 16B Elland Road

Information

Calderdale Council
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Safer Cleaner Greener Area Based Teams
Consultation on Sowerby Township Neighbourhood
Development Plan

Clerks & Councils Direct
North Bank Forum
Northern Powergrid
War Memorial Trust
WY Police & Crime Commissioner

September Issue
Sector Support Update 2nd September
Investing in West Yorkshire event 29/9/16
August Magazine
September Newsletter

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Cabinet
Cabinet Transport Working Party
Planning Committee 1
Licensing Sub Committee
Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel
Adults Health & Social Care Scrutiny Panel
Cabinet Markets Working Party
Communities Scrutiny Panel

Matters arising from correspondence

The Clerk was asked to acknowledge receipt of Mr and Mrs Bruce's letter and advise that the Parish Council could only comment is the tree was subject to a TPO and would require planning permission.

Cllr Watson advised that the Sowerby application to be designated as a neighbourhood area needs to be monitored since it would include Mill Bank.

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: 16/01038/HSE**

Officer: Steven Emery

Applicant: Mr A O'Mahony

Site: 1 Water Green Water Green Lane Soyland

Proposal: First floor extension to North elevation

History: None

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

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

RPC Comments:

16493 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Hunt and seconded by Cllr Watson that the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

Application No: 16/01039/LBC

Officer: Steven Emery
 Applicant: Mr A O'Mahony
 Site: 1 Water Green Water Green Lane Soyland
 Proposal: First floor extension to North elevation (Listed Building Consent)
 History: None
 Main Issues: The application will be assessed against NPPF section 12 (Conserving and enhancing the historic environment) and RCUDP policy BE14 (Alteration and extension of Listed Buildings).

RPC Comments:

16494 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Hunt and seconded by Cllr Watson that the Parish Council has no objections to this application.

Application No: 16/20148/TPO

Officer: Keith Grady
 Applicant: Mrs S Metcalfe
 Site: Ryburn Cottage Oldham Road Ripponden
 Proposal: Fell one tree (Tree Preservation Order)
 History: Various applications considered since 1987. Including both pruning and felling. Most recent application to fell a tree was considered in 2006 (06/2020) and the most recent pruning application was considered in 2011 (11/20152) to crown lift three trees. Both applications were approved.
 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:

16495 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Moran and seconded by Cllr Hunt that the Parish Council has no objections to this application subject to the Planning Officer being satisfied that it meets good arboricultural practise.

Planning Decisions:

16/00886/HSE 69 Stonelea Barkisland	Two storey extension to side and rear	Refused
16/90008/ELC Land North Of 1 Gilbert Gardens Barsey Green Lane Barkisland	Clearance issue and ABC (aerial bundled conductor) works	Raised No Objections

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16/90013/ELC Land South Of Bowers Cottage Bowers Lane Barkisland	Clearance issue and ABC (aerial bundled conductor) works	Raised No Objections
16/20112/TPO 43 Spinners Hollow Sowerby Bridge	Prune one tree (Tree Preservation Order)	Granted
16/00858/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
15/01213/DISC1 Grange Cottage Smithy Clough Lane Ripponden	Submission of information to Discharge Conditions on application 15/01213 - conditions 2, 5 and 6	Partially Complied With
16/00603/FUL Land Adjacent To 36 Stainland Road Barkisland	Conversion of building to dwelling	Withdrawn
16/00923/FUL St Johns CE Primary School Godly Lane Rishworth	Installation of new paladin fencing and associated pedestrian and vehicle gates	Granted
16/20111/TPO Land North Of 6 Meadow Croft Stony Croft Lane Ripponden	Prune one tree (Tree Preservation Order)	Granted
16/00845/HSE 37 Castle Lane Ripponden	Raised patio and retaining wall to rear (Part Retrospective)	Withdrawn

10.2. Planning Enforcement

Concerns were raised about Nook Lane which is just outside the Parish area. Cllr Johnson reported that the matter had been referred to Planning Enforcement already.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.