

The 1076th Meeting of the Ripponden Parish Council held in the Ripponden Parish Council Office on Thursday 9th April 2015 at 7.15pm.

Councillors Present: - Cllr McCarley chaired the Meeting
Cllr B Carter, Cllr G Carter, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Naylor, Cllr Riley, Cllr Russell, Cllr J Smith,
Cllr Watson

1. To accept apologies for absence and lateness

Absence – Cllr Ogden, Cllr Potts, Cllr M Smith
Lateness –

2. To accept the Minutes of the 1075th Meeting held on Thursday 26th March 2015

Cllr Watson asked that it be recorded that he had concerns that his comments relating to the Civic Ball had not been included in the Minutes.

15926 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr B Carter that the Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record of the Meeting held on Thursday 26th March 2015.

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

The Deputy Clerk reported that:

British Gas had responded to the Clerk's stage 1 complaint and had provided further information regarding the alleged unpaid cheque. British Gas would speak to the Clerk on her return. The Meeting agreed that a letter of authority should be put in place so that the Deputy Clerk could liaise with Lloyds Bank when the Clerk was on leave.

The Parish Council had been informed that work had been carried out at the bus layby in Ripponden which had hopefully resolved the problem with running water. Calderdale Council had been informed that a number of flag stones had been lifted by the water and surface water was bypassing the gully.

It had been confirmed that the Mayor of Calderdale would be able to visit Ripponden for the Tour de Yorkshire. The Meeting agreed that the Mayoral party would be welcomed to the parish office by the Chairman at 1.00pm.

Street light No14 on Stony Lane Soyland had been reported as faulty to Calderdale Council and would be dealt with as soon as possible.

Calderdale Council had acknowledged the Parish Council's letter regarding planning application 14/60308. The issues raised were being investigated and a response would be sent in due course.

An up-date had been received from Neil Paterson Project Manager at Calderdale Council regarding the Ripponden TRO.

A response had been received from Christine Sheasby Calderdale Council's Enforcement regarding Wood End Farm. The Meeting agreed that Cllr Naylor should provide the Clerk with photographs for forwarding to Calderdale Council.

Calderdale Council's Revenue & Benefits Service had confirmed that it would place a hold on the account for the lease of Riverside Meadow Ripponden pending a decision on the Parish Council's request for a longer lease and peppercorn rent.

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

Yorkshire Water had informed the Parish Council that the road over Baitings Reservoir would re-open on 10th April. Yorkshire Water would issue a press release and inform local residents. The Deputy Clerk was asked to contact Yorkshire Water to ask what mechanisms were in place for people, affected by the closure, to seek compensation.

The Deputy Clerk was asked to contact Calderdale Council to request that all road signs relating to the closure are removed once the road is re-opened.

The Meeting agreed that the Baitings Reservoir road closure and recent works carried out in Ripponden by Yorkshire Water should be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Cllr B Carter informed the Meeting that a wagon which was being used to remove stones from a partially collapsed wall on Spring Street had demolished further walling.

Cllr Naylor discussed the number of vehicles which are being parked on the pavements in Ripponden. The Parish Council had been provided with a number of photographs.

15927 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Johnson that the Deputy Clerk should write to Inspector Bairstow at West Yorkshire Police asking that appropriate action is taken against the offending motorists.

Cllr Naylor informed the Meeting that, following recent heavy rain, the road surface on Rishworth Mill Lane had been washed away. The Deputy Clerk was asked to inform Calderdale Council.

Cllr Naylor discussed the removal, in February 2014, of what had been a substantial, stone built bus shelter at Long Causeway Soyland. The Deputy Clerk was asked to contact Metro to clarify what plans it had to replace the shelter.

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 and to deal with matters arising

The Deputy Clerk reported

British Gas will be fitting a new meter on Tuesday 21st April. The Deputy Clerk had queried the length of time that the existing meter had been in place and was told a replacement was needed.

The Deputy Clerk had received a telephone call from ex Cllr Browes informing the Parish Council of the 90th birthday of Mrs Mabel Wild. The Meeting agreed that Cllr Johnson and Cllr G Carter should visit Mrs Wild to present her with a card and flowers.

Following the flooding of properties in the village, Kirsten Fusing, Calderdale Council's Neighbourhood Co-ordinator and the Community Warden had attended the office early on Tuesday morning and then visited the affected properties. The Community Warden provided updates on the situation during the day.

An email had been received from Calderdale Council informing the Parish Council that discussions were taking place with Northern Gas regarding repairs and timescales for re-opening the road.

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

The Meeting agreed that a small piece about the flooding should be included in the Annual Report.

The Deputy Clerk had contacted BT regarding a charge of £20 for late payment of the previous bill. BT has put a hold on the account and will contact the Parish Council to discuss.

A resident of Chestnut Court Ripponden had visited the office to inform the Parish Council that an inspection had been carried out on the Horse Chestnut tree adjacent to the properties at Chestnut Court. The tree is showing signs of Phytophthora and a tree surgeon has recommended that the tree is removed. The residents are to ascertain the costs involved prior to contacting Calderdale Council.

The annual subscription for NABMA is due for payment. Cllr G Carter, as a member of NABMA's Management Review Board and Chairman of the Retail Forum outlined the benefits and support that NABMA provides to market operators. The Meeting agreed that this year's subscription would be paid. The Deputy Clerk was asked to inform NABMA that the Parish Council may not wish to re-new its membership next year.

15928 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Russell that Ripponden Community Market should be an agenda item for the next meeting.

The Deputy Clerk informed the Meeting that she had contacted Calderdale Council's Electoral Services and had been informed that Parish elections would be held in Ripponden and Soyland.

Cllr Johnson informed the Meeting that, along with other Cllrs, he had attended the recent community market which had seen poor attendance. He reviewed a recent Tour de Yorkshire meeting and Ward Forum. On behalf of the Chairman, he had represented the Parish Council at the Shaw & Crompton Civic Dinner which had been an enjoyable event.

Cllr J Smith informed the Meeting that a number of street gullies on Elland Road and adjacent to Central Hall were blocked. The Deputy Clerk was asked to inform Calderdale Council.

Cllr G Carter informed the Meeting that judging for Yorkshire in Bloom would begin at 1.30pm on Thursday 16th April. Cllr J Smith gave a brief outline of the work that would be carried out prior to judging and agreed, subject to work commitments, to meet Cllr G Carter at Mill Fold at 1.30pm.

Cllr McCarley had attended the Meltham Civic Dinner which had been a very enjoyable evening.

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

Cllr G Carter discussed the recent flooding which had taken place in the village. She had been liaising with the affected householders some of whom were still awaiting damage assessments and were unhappy about the response from their insurance providers. Cllr Carter informed the Meeting that she was seeking clarification as to what exactly had caused the blockage.

Cllr G Carter informed the Meeting that, following her representations to Metro, the first 561 bus service from Barkisland would leave at the earlier time of 6.44am arriving in Halifax at 7.10am. The amended service was being provided on a 'use it or lose it' basis for 15 months.

Cllr G Carter gave a review of the recent Ward Forum meeting. Cllr Johnson asked whether the Parish Council's request for an ANPR camera had been progressed.

8. To agree accounts for payment

15929 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Watson that the accounts listed on the schedule with a total value of £3668.42 be passed for payment.

9. To receive correspondence**Correspondence**

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| Holme Valley Parish Council | Thank you note re Civic Dinner & Donation to Chairman's Charity |
| Joshua Penrice | New Business |
| Geoffrey Thompson | Family Tree |
| R G Whiteley | Family Tree |

Information

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| Calderdale Council | Amendments to Committee List 1 st - 29 th April |
| Calderdale Council | Planning Application 13/01500/FUL |
| Calderdale Council | Making it Easier to Create New Parish Councils |
| Calderdale Council | Tour de Yorkshire Information |
| Calderdale Council | Parish/Town Council Elections |
| Friends of Dixon Scar Wood | Fish Pass at Dixon Scar |
| Ruth Hudson | cc re Priest Lane |
| NABMA | Newsletter 01/04/15 |
| NABMA | Market Awards |
| NABMA | Policy Bulletin March 2015 |
| NABMA | Markets & Digital Engagement |
| NABMA | Parish & Town Councils Markets Forum |
| NABMA | NABMA Support |
| North Bank Forum | Sector Support Update 1 st April |
| North Bank Forum | Support & Advice for Voluntary & Not-for-Profit Groups |
| Ordnance Survey | Assignment Notice |
| Rural Action Yorkshire | March e-bulletin |
| Sheffield Children's Hospital Charity | Tour de Yorkshire |
| TDH Group | VE Day 70 th Anniversary |
| West Yorkshire Police | Rural Watch |
| West Yorkshire Police – Calderdale OWL | OWL & Rural Watch |
| West Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner | Newsletter April 2015 |
| YLCA | White Rose Update April 2015 |
| YLCA | Transparency Code for Smaller Councils |
| Zurich Municipal | LCAS Safety & Risk Management Seminars |

The Parish Council recommended that Joshua Penrice should contact Calderdale Council's New Business Team.

15930 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Russell and seconded by Cllr Naylor that, subject to approval by Calderdale Council, Cllr Watson should represent the Parish Council at a Planning Committee meeting at which planning application 13/01500/FUL will be discussed.

Cllr Riley was asked if she would deal with the enquiries relating to family trees and was thanked for her assistance.

The Deputy Clerk was asked to thank Mr Ratcliffe of Calderdale Council for the information provided and inform him that the Parish Council will progress its Neighbourhood Plans after the forthcoming elections.

9. To receive correspondence (continued)

The Deputy Clerk was asked to provide Calderdale OWL with the Parish Council's contact details.

Agendas

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| 13/04/15 | Cabinet |
| 14/04/15 | Planning Committee 1 |
| 14/04/15 | Planning Committee 2 |
| 15/04/15 | Children & Young People Scrutiny Panel |

15931 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Johnson that the Press and Public are excluded for the next Agenda item.

10. To approve the Recommendations of the Employment Committee

Cllr McCarley reviewed the Employment Committee meeting held on 24th March 2015 and set out the recommendations of the Employment Committee.

15932 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Watson that the Parish Council approves the recommendations of the Employment Committee.

15933 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Naylor and seconded by Cllr Johnson that the Press and Public be allowed back into the meeting.

11. To approve the Parish Council's Cycle Map

Cllr Johnson presented the cycle map to the Meeting. It was agreed that Liz Skelton of Wordup Design should liaise directly with the printers prior to an official order being placed for the printing of the map.

15934 Resolved in a motion by Cllr J Smith and seconded by Cllr Riley that the Parish Council's cycle map is approved.

12. To discuss Planning Applications, to receive Planning Decisions and to discuss Planning and Enforcement Issues**New plans for this meeting****Application No: 15/00281/FUL**

Officer: Claire Marshall
 Applicant: Mr & Mrs Smith
 Site: Clarehill Coach Road Ripponden
 Proposal: Raise the height of existing bungalow by additional two stories and divide into two dwellings with additional new dwelling in garden
 Comments: Site is located in large corner plot – Case officer still to carry out site visit. Proposal will be assessed against policy H2 (Primary Housing Areas) along with policies BE1 (Design), BE2 (Privacy) BE5 and T 18 (Access and parking). Assessment will take into account suitability of site to accommodate a new dwelling in addition to sub-division and increase in size of existing to create two residential units along with resultant impact of increased height from bungalow to house and addition of new dwelling within the existing street scene.

RPC Comments:

15935 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Naylor that the Parish Council has no objection to this application.

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

Planning Decisions:

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| 15/00153/HSE 1 Royd Lane Ripponden | New porch and replacement bay window to front elevation. | Granted |
| 15/00144/HSE Heather Dene Greetland Road Barkisland | Enlargement of existing front dormer | Granted |
| 15/00140/HSE 10 Birch Avenue Rishworth | Detached garage | Granted |
| 15/00135/LBC Stone Stile Barn Saddleworth Road Barkisland | Single storey extension to side, lower underground extension and internal works to include part removal of internal wall and alterations to staircase (Listed Building Consent) | Granted |
| 15/00133/HSE Stone Stile Barn Saddleworth Road Barkisland | Single storey extension to side and lower underground extension (amended scheme) | Granted |
| 15/00115/HSE 2 White Hart Fold Ripponden | First floor extension to side | Granted |

15936 Resolved in a motion by Cllr Russell and seconded by Cllr Johnson that the Deputy Clerk should write to Calderdale Council regarding planning application 13/00748/HSE and an alleged breach of planning conditions.

The meeting closed at 9.26pm.