

**MINUTES OF RUFFORTH WITH KNAPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2014 IN RUFFORTH VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillor T Haward (TH) Chair	Councillor Mrs A Powell (AP)
Councillor K Clarke (KC)	Councillor Mrs H Butterworth (HB)
Councillor Mrs H Pasquill (HP)	Councillor C Valentine (CV)
Councillor Paul Leadley-Yoward (PLY)	

IN ATTENDANCE: 0 members of the public, The Lord Mayor Cllr. Ian Gillies (IG) and Mrs S Warden (Clerk)

139 APOLOGIES ACCEPTED: Councillor R Syms (RS), Ward Councillor C Steward (CS)

140 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (not previously declared): None

141 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

AP proposed the minutes of 7 July 2014 which were seconded by HB. The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.

142 WARD COUNCILLOR COMMENTS:

Yorwaste have not yet got the CCTV installed at the entrance to Harewood Whin as they have been temporarily let down by the suppliers, they should be in place next week.

The opening of the cycle track will take place on Saturday 4 October at 11am. CYC communications (Coms) are talking to Yorwaste, Sustrans and the Parish Council. Someone from Coms will email TH, IG will just turn up. The Parish Council and Coms will sort out what and where all is happening.

The Police are interested in talking to the Parish Council about using speed guns.

There is a review of Parish Councils on the way.

Boundary changes have been agreed. Rural West Ward will only have 2 ward councillors and will lose Copmanthorpe and gain Skelton.

143 CLERK'S REPORT:

- Iain Dunn (CYC officer) had not got back to the Clerk regarding the traffic calming gates. The Clerk will contact him.
- The Clerk will email again regarding the overgrown shrubs on the B1224/A1237 roundabout and what they were going to do about it following the fatality in recent weeks. CYC would be liable if someone died because of it and if the Parish Council do not get a reply on this we will seek legal advice.
- S106 monies: The Clerk will remind David Meigh that the cycle track is a leisure track and has he received the legal advice he was seeking on this.
- Bradley Crescent: CYC have chopped the spikes off the fence round the tree. It will be raised at the Residents Forum that there should be a sign on the fence saying no tree climbing.
- The flowering cherry planted on Southfield Lane for the Millennium has died. The Clerk will ask Treemendous if they can replace it.
- 9 Maythorpe: CYC have been contacted by the Clerk regarding the overgrown shrubs on the Bridleway encroaching on residents in Maythorpe's properties.

144 PLANNING:

14/00733/OUT The application for the proposed dwelling at land off Wetherby Road has been withdrawn

14/01536/FUL York Microlight Centre for extension to the hangar – this was approved together with an application for the erection of 3 microlight hangars which we were not consulted on. The Clerk will pursue this.

Yorwaste: there has been nothing on their new planning application. TH will follow up to see what their programme is.

Algarth: RM English will be consulted to find out who owns the hedge as it needs cutting.

145 FINANCE:

The Clerk produced a monthly financial report, a copy of which is in the minute file.

Invoices for payment: It was agreed to pay the following: £496 to D Bush for grass cutting.

Receipts: £2.82 Bank interest, £824 for a single NBG burial plot, £250 for a memorial plaque and £400 for 2x reservation NBG burial plots. VAT had been reclaimed but the money had not yet been received from HMRC.

Bank Balances - £21,530.71.

Funds available - £756.64

It was agreed that Douglas Tonks do September's pay run and after that the Clerk would be given 5 hours to set up doing the payroll herself in October followed by an extra 1 hour a month after to do the payroll. AP proposed this, PLY seconded and all agreed.

146 KNAPTON RECREATIONAL FIELD GRASS CUTTING:

The Clerk would contact Richard Burniston to see if he would cut the field.

146A CYCLE PATH:

A date for the opening had been agreed as 4 October. TH, HB and Mike Wood will sort out the opening and get back to council for agreement. The lack of cycle track at each end will be highlighted at the opening.

Next agenda: Next steps to establishing links with the villages.

147 A DEFIBRILLATOR FOR RUFFORTH:

The Clerk will contact the Ambulance Service to see if they can come to the October meeting to talk to us about this.

148 CCTV FOR PRE-SCHOOL'S PLAY AREA:

Under S137 it was agreed that CCTV would go into the play area following several incidents, the last involving criminal damage and arson. PLY will see to it.

149 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS:

Residents' Forum/Team Meetings: The next meeting will be on the 22 September.

YLCA : The next meeting is on 2 October.

Rufforth Pond: CV had still not heard back from TCV and would chase them.

Crisis Management: In CV's hands/

Yorwaste: TH, HB and Mike Wood will liaise with them over the opening of the cycle track.

Archiving: CV will chase this up.

150 CORRESPONDENCE:

The NALC Model Standing Orders and the Transparency Code will be sent round councillors in a separate file.

The Clerk will write to Neal and Lindsey Stride of 3 Yew Tree Close to say that they need to write to the school or CYC Education Services regarding the behaviour of school run parents.

The Clerk will write to Tony Beckett regarding speeding tractors dropping potatoes over the road and ask that he tell his drivers to be particularly careful around the school crossing.

151 COMMUNICATIONS:

The next newsletter will come out over Christmas.

A flier will be put out regarding the opening of the cycle track.

The website is up to date.

152 MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXR AGENDA:

Mr Forman has scythed all the Natural Burial Ground. He does not want payment but has asked for a donation to the Scythe Association of Britain and Ireland. The Clerk will write a letter of thanks together with a donation of £50.

AP recommended the new councillor course for the latest councillor member.

AP will ask Andrew Flecknor if the new houses off West View Close are in Poppleton or Rufforth.

153 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on Monday 6 October 2014 in Rufforth Village Hall at 7.30pm.

TH thanked all those for attending and closed the meeting at 9.35 pm.

154 PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no members of the public present.

_____ Chairman _____ Date

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