

Minutes of a meeting of Wysall and Thorpe in the Glebe Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Wysall, Tuesday May 2, 2017 at 7.20pm

Couns. Simon Stephens (Chairman),
David Grenz (vice chairman) (A), Carolyn Birch
Helen Lewin, Vicki Plant,
Stephen Reeds(A) Lindsay Redfern, Peter Wyles

Present: The clerk Mike Elliott and Coun. Reg Adair (Rushcliffe Borough Council .

1] APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN FOR 2017-18

Coun. Sam Sephens was proposed and elected as chairman for the coming 12 months. No appointment was made of vice chairman.

2] APOLOGIES Couns. David Grenz, Stephen Reeds

3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON APRIL 4, 2017 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman

The chairman brought forward the item on the agenda concerning the Casual Vacancy on the council. Mr Peter Wyles had indicated an interest in joining the council and was proposed and seconded and unanimously appointed. The chairman welcomed Coun. Wyles and thanked him for his interest. He signed the necessary Declaration of Acceptance form.

4] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none

5] APPOINTMENT OF VILLAGE HALL REPRESENTATIVES

Couns. Redfern and Plant were re-elected to represent the council on the hall committee.

6] CLERK'S REPORT

Notts County Council had been in contact with Mr Webster at Disney House in regard to his highway concerns. The County Council District Manager Kendra Hourd, had advised they would not permit bollards or any form of barrier on the verge, whether publically or privately funded. She said the bollards near to the Village Hall were not the type designed to protect property and the ones that are designed to stop drivers dead, will do that literally and could kill the driver, which was why the Authority won't use such structures on the highway.

The officer said their focus was on reducing reported injury accidents and ensuring drivers were aware of bend hazards and that their vehicles don't leave the road in the first place. On that basis, they were happy to look at possible measures to highlight the presence of the bend to drivers, such as 'Slow' markings on the road surface or possibly bend warning signage on the Main Street approach to the bend in question. The clerk said the County officer had agreed this be added to their funding consideration list for a bend warning sign 'Slow' markings in a future programme.

Volunteer of the year award: The council agreed that it progress the award to be given to their late chairman David Roberts and to make this presentation at the Food Fair event. At the Christmas event it would present an award to former councillor Mike Stanley.

7] CORRESPONDENCE

Kendra Hourd, Notts County Council advised the council that a complaint had been received in regard to a lack of grass cutting on the edge of Main Street in Wysall between the Plough public house and the parish church. The clerk said he had passed on the email from the County to their contractor Peter James.

Coun. Birch expressed concerns in respect of information circulated in regard to badgers. The information had shown a badger being hugged by a lady. Coun. Birch pointed out that badgers could carry TB to humans and it was therefore unwise to suggest such close contact could be made with the animals. The clerk was to investigate the source of the information which involved Nottingham University.

8] FINANCE

a] ACCOUNTS TO PAY were approved as per the circulated list.

b] APPROVAL OF ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT Members approved the Governance Statement and it was signed by the chairman.

d] TO AUTHORISE AND APPROVE ACCOUNTS FOR 2016-17. Members discussed the annual accounts report provided by the clerk and approved them.

d] APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 2017-18

The council approved the re-appointment of Mr David Dixon as Internal Auditor.

9] PLANNING MATTERS

Rushcliffe Borough Council Planning applications

There were none

Rushcliffe Borough Council planning decisions

17/00252/FUL Mr Mrs Alexander, Silver Birches, Costock Road, Wysall. Remove existing chimney on side elevation, construct two masonry chimneys on side elevation. Permit.

17/00403/ful. Mrs Caroline Onions, Town End House, Widmerpool Road, Wysall. Detached garage. Permit.

The clerk was asked to check on the condition of planning permissions given in respect of development at Elms Farm on Bradmore Lane at Wysall.

10] VILLAGE HALL

Coun. Lewin raised a concern that the grass at the rear of the village hall was not being maintained as well as it should be. The clerk was asked to check on the contract held by Mr Peter James as to when the cuts should be undertaken.

The chairman said the hearing at Rushcliffe Borough Council in regard to the Licensing application was to be heard on May 16 at Rushcliffe Arena at 2pm. A number of members would be attending.

Members were advised that tree branches had fallen on to the play equipment at the rear of the hall and that Peter James had been called in to clear them. It was felt a tree pollarding programme was necessary for the trees at the rear of the hall.

The chairman said some attention was needed to improve the appearance of the rear of the hall and this was suggested as a target for an activity in the coming year.

11] ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

The clerk was to progress the matter of the refurbished Finger direction posts with Notts County Council. Coun. Adair reminded the meeting that he had provided a £100 grant towards the cost of the work by the parish council.

12] WEBSITE

Members were advised useage of the website remained good. The introduction of the Facebook facility link was welcomed.

13] CASUAL VACANCY

Had been dealt with earlier in the agenda.

14] CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

Coun. Mrs Birch asked for help in deciding what should be placed in the Welcome Pack that was intended should be given to newcomers to the parish. Members put forward the various suggestions and Coun. Birch thanked them for the ideas.

15] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING JUNE 6, 2017

The clerk was asked to put the matter of Declarations of Interest on the agenda.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-40pm.