

# Rhodesia Parish Council

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 7th February 2018 in Rhodesia Village Hall

### Present:

Councillor Margaret Leadbeater (Chair)

Councillors Audrey Samuel, Gordon Hall, Tony Belton, Peter Ratcliff.

District Councillor Pressley

M Welch (Clerk)

There were two members of the public present.

During the public forum problems with black ice were raised and it was requested the road be treated. Councillors explained that there is grit but there is nobody willing to put it down and vehicles do drive too fast for the conditions. The clerk was asked to write to the County Council to let them know of the problems on Tylden Road and over the bridge as it is a bus route.

The bus stop markings have finally been painted it is twice as long as the bus.

There were reports of white vehicles regularly looking and approaching residents for metal.

### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from County Councillor Sybil Fielding and Lisa Meek.

### 2. Declaration of Interest

Councillor Pressley declared an interest in the quarry.

### 3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Councillor Hall proposed the minutes of the meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> December be approved as a true and correct record, seconded by Councillor Samuel.

### 4. Matters arising from the previous minutes

#### a) Co-option to Council

This was deferred to the next meeting when it is hoped we will have completed forms.

#### b) Quarry

The LIS application has been submitted by the clerk and we are waiting to hear. Councillors thanked the clerk and John Foster for their work on this.

#### c) A1 Housing Office

The clerk has received an email from Nicholas Williams saying he is out of the office until November. Councillor Pressley suggested she try to contact Peter Burns.

### 5. New Business

#### a) Events in Village Hall

The Chairman asked for ideas and it was suggested a whist drive, quiz night or knitting club may be possible events.

## **b) Noticeboard**

Councillor Hall suggested having a board outside and this was discussed by councillors. The old one had been damaged it was small and had a lot of locks on it. The clerk will find out details of noticeboards for the next meeting.

## **c) Booking procedures**

Councillor Hall proposed we look at the booking procedure for the village hall and request bookings in writing, this was discussed and Councillor Ratcliff seconded the proposal which was unanimously agreed.

## **d) Caretakers**

It was suggested we try and recruit a caretaker for the village hall, councillors agreed to defer the decision until we see what bookings there are for the hall.

There were concerns about the Youth Club not leaving the hall in the condition they found it in and the clerk was asked to write to them.

Councillor Samuel proposed that Mrs Leadbeater be reimbursed £50 for the role of caretaker which she has been doing for a few months, seconded by Councillor Hall and all agreed.

## **e) Quad bikes on the recreation area**

Councillor Hall reported the problems were still ongoing every weekend. Councillor Pressley gave details of the new PCSO and the clerk was asked to contact the PCSO about this with a copy to the police officer who was arranging for it to be monitored.

## **f) Royal British Legion Lamp post poppies**

Details were passed on to councillors and Councillor Belton will make further enquiries and report back at the next meeting.

## **g) Dog Fouling**

The problem has got worse with irresponsible owners. The Environmental Health Department have contacted some residents and the clerk was asked to contact them to request that all the village be contacted.

## **6. Finance**

**a) Balance** - the clerk reported that the balance in the Accounts are £16027.43 and £3431.45.

**b) Cheques** - the following cheques were signed M Welch £1089.21 for the computer, NALC £158.56, Stapleton £94.78 and M Welch £392.34 salary.

**c) Computer** - The computer has been purchased and website details were passed on.

**d) Precept** – The Chairman proposed this remain the same as last year, seconded by Councillor Samuel and all agreed.

## **7. County and District Councillors**

Councillor Pressley reported that the Vesuvius application was being discussed tonight they are trying to amend two things including the Section 106 agreement which he has objected to. He reported that Asda and Duba are in dispute.

Following complaints at the last meeting Councillor Pressley reported that unfortunately the bus services cannot be changed at the moment.

Councillor Pressley suggested councillors consider purchasing a defibrillator for the village.

### **8. Correspondence**

Correspondence received has been circulated.

An invitation was passed on to councillors for a Neighbourhood Plan meeting at Retford.

Two planning applications have been received - a detached garage at 59 Boughton Road 18/00017/HSE and 18/00048/FUL Land and buildings Steetley Lane – creation of storage area was discussed, councillors had no objections to either application.

### **9. Date of next meeting**

Wednesday 7th March 2018

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.