

Rhodesia Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 6th November 2019 in Rhodesia Village Hall

Present:

Councillor Margaret Leadbeater (Chair)

Councillors Audrey Samuel, Peter Ratcliff, David Pressley and Gordon Hall.

M Welch (Clerk).

There were no members of the public present.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from John Foster and County Councillor Sybil Fielding.

2. Declaration of Interest

Councillor Pressley declared an interest in the quarry.

3. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 2nd October 2019

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 2nd October, copies of which had been previously circulated to members were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising from the previous minutes

a) Vacancy

Councillor Pressley handed the completed forms to the clerk.

b) Quarry

In the absence of John Foster Councillor Pressley confirmed that the Parish Council had previously agreed to put £4000 towards the scheme, £750 had also been given to the council previously for this. The plans have been agreed and John was going to explain where we would start. The money has also been agreed and the Section 106 has been signed so they may not need all of the £4750 earmarked for the quarry.

c) Noticeboard

This is working well.

d) Allotments/Memorial

Councillor Samuel will try to get the details for the next meeting.

e) Youth Club

There was a query raised as to whether Gemma is still running the youth club, the clerk was asked to write and find out.

f) Bollards at shop

VIA have not yet come back with the quote.

g) Playing Field

We are still waiting for a reply.

5. New Business

a) Village Hall -Opening/Business Rates

The opening up of the hall was discussed and Councillor Leadbeater proposed we advertise for someone to open and close the hall, do general litter picking, sweeping up, weeding and odd jobs for a minimum of ten hours a week, seconded by Councillor Hall and all agreed. The clerk was asked to prepare a notice, job description and contract.

Councillor Pressley will put feelers out to slimming world and other groups to try and increase use of the hall.

The possibility of extending the hall through to the back was also discussed and the clerk was asked to contact NALC and try to obtain advice on who could come out for advice and grants currently available.

b) VE Day

The clerk had circulated details of a nationwide scheme and Councillors agreed it would be nice to put something on. The clerk was asked to contact Steve Brown to ask if there is any help available with VE Day events for small villages like Rhodesia.

We have received an offer of free oak trees and councillors agreed they would like to plant some at the quarry for VE Day, the clerk was asked to let John Foster know so that it can be looked at.

c) TV Licensing

Letters have been received regarding a TV Licence for the village hall. Councillors unanimously agreed that this was not necessary and that users of the hall need to be told that they cannot download programmes, the clerk was asked to return the form.

6. Planning

a) New Applications

19/01299/VOC Variation of Conditions 22, 23 and 24 of P.A. 02/09/00033 Granted Permission for Mixed Use Regeneration Including Offices, Light Industry, Storage / Distribution, Food Store, Hotel, Restaurants, Petrol Filling Station and Safeguarded Community Sport Land To Allow a Change From Pre-Commencement (or Prior to Use in the Case of Condition 24) to Pre-Occupation. Former Vesuvius Works – councillors had no objections.

19/01317/FUL Proposal: Erect Buildings for A1, A3 and A5 Use with Associated Highway and Drainage Infrastructure, Parking, Landscaping and Boundary Fencing - Former Vesuvius - councillors had no objections.

19/01316/RES Reserved Matters Application To Seek Approval for Access, Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale for the Erection of 3 Flexible Use Class B1/B2/B8 Buildings (Phase 1) with Associated Highway and Drainage Infrastructure, Northern Vehicular Access from the Estate Road, an Electricity Substation, 109 Car Parking Spaces, 24 Cycle Spaces, Landscaping and Boundary Treatment Following Outline Application 02/09/00033 - Mixed Use Regeneration Including Offices, Light Industry, Storage/Distribution, Food Store, Hotel, Restaurants, Petrol Filling Station and Safeguarded Community Sport Land - Former Vesuvius Works - councillors had no objections.

b) Decisions

There were no new decisions.

7. Finance

a) Balance - £3839.14 in the current account.

b) Cheques - the following cheques were signed M Welch £440.27, SLCC £52 and G Hall £4.49.

c) SLCC – the clerk has had the renewal for SLCC for £156, councillors agreed to sign a cheque for £52 towards this.

d) Precept – the clerk has circulated the accounts, the precept will be discussed further at the next meeting.

8. County and District Councillors

Councillor Pressley reported that we are still waiting to hear about the bollards.

Severn Trent are working on Old Bowling Green at the moment and doing alright.

Work is being done by Western Power to street lights at Woodend.

The speed sign has been taken down by Nottinghamshire County Council to collate the information and they will say if we can have a permanent one.

Councillor Pressley offered to support VE Day from his funding allowance.

9. Correspondence

Correspondence received has been circulated.

The clerk was asked to send a letter of thanks to Paul Keightley for the poppies and the noticeboard.

There are problems with people parking in Royds Crescent close to the junction with cars all the way along making it dangerous to cross sometimes with cars double parked. The clerk was asked to write to Peter Revell.

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 4th December 2019

The meeting closed at 6.40pm