

Rhodesia Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 4th March 2020 in Rhodesia Village Hall

Present:

Councillor Margaret Leadbeater (Chair)
Councillors David Pressley, Peter Ratcliff and Gordon Hall.

M Welch (Clerk).

Gerald Connor was present to discuss the situation with the bollards for the shop. Mr Connor reported on the progress of meetings that had been held and the current financial situation with offers from Paddy Tipping, the owner and Councillors Pressley, Brett and Fielding. Councillor Pressley has asked for confirmation in writing that funding can be used for this purpose. Decision details will be sent to Gerald so that this can be taken forward.

There were four members of the public present.

A resident expressed concerns about the bank behind his bungalow, Councillor Pressley will make enquiries.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Audrey Samuel and County Councillor Sybil Fielding.

2. Declaration of Interest

Councillor Pressley declared an interest in the quarry and the bollards at the shop.

3. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 5th February 2020.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th February, 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

The person previously interested is not now, councillors agreed to re-advertise on Facebook.

b) Quarry

Nothing further has been heard.

c) Village Hall – Refurbishing/Opening

Details of grants available had been circulated to councillors and after discussion it was agreed to obtain quotes for painting the hall. It was also suggested a quote could be obtained to update the lights.

d) Youth Club

Councillor Leadbeater reported that there was rice on the floor last week which she had swept up and left on a shovel in their corner and that it had all been removed by them this week. Councillor Leadbeater will get the visitor book.

e) Bollards at shop

Councillor Leadbeater proposed we offer £2000 from the CIL money, seconded by councillor Ratcliff and all agreed.

f) LIS

This will need to be prepared so that we can apply early next year.

g) Allotments

Councillors reported an allotment is still looking overgrown and nobody has seen the resident for a while and think he may have given up.

Details of a miners commemorative bench had been circulated at a cost of £600. Councillor Pressley proposed we buy one for Wildflower Meadow the clerk was asked to enquire if they can put it in and anchor it down and if they give a discount for two, she was also asked to check if we can use CIL money, seconded by Councillor Hall and unanimously agreed.

h) VE Day

Councillor Wheatley was looking into this, the Chairman will check this with her. Councillor Pressley gave details of the event to be held in Worksop.

i) Mowing

Councillor Hall had contacted four people and only two replied, he had received a quote for £2000 and the other recommended 15 cuts at £100 per cut. The mower has been used and started first time so Councillor Hall proposed we should carry on as we are for the time being, this was unanimously agreed.

5. New Business

a) Training

Details of a course on 1st April have been circulated, the clerk will attend.

b) Standing Water (drainage outside school gates)

Councillor Leadbeater reported water like a river half way across the road outside the school. The clerk was asked to report it to Highways, Councillor Leadbeater will try and get a photograph next time it is bad.

6. Planning

a) New Applications

There was a new application however it was noted that we have not been asked for comments.

19/00852/FUL- Residential Development of 128 Two, Three and Four Bedroomed Dwellings, Ancillary Works and Construct New Access Land West of Queen Elizabeth Crescent Rhodesia

Councillors have concerns over access as according to the plan the access is Cecil Close leading onto Marjorie Street which is where the school is and another 100 plus cars using that road is asking for disaster.

Even with the new access off Mary Street it does not alleviate the problem with Cecil Close and the traffic round the school.

b) Decisions

20/00035/COND- Land at High Grounds High Grounds Road Rhodesia Nottinghamshire Discharge of Conditions 8 and 10 on P/A 17/01243/OUT - the Erection of Four Retail Units (Class A1) and an 82 Bedroom Hotel (Class C1) with Pub Restaurant (Class A3) Together with Associated Parking and Hard and Soft Landscaping - granted

7. Finance

a) Balance - £1345.33.

b) Cheques - the following cheques were signed M Welch £440.27, Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils £173.94, Warmshires, £60 and M Welch £39.73.

A letter received from HSBC requesting an update from a signatory was passed on to Councillor Leadbeater to be dealt with.

c) Audit—John Haddon is available and has quoted £65 for the audit, Councillor Leadbeater proposed we accept this, seconded by Councillor Pressley and all agreed.

8. County and District Councillors

Councillor Pressley updated councillors on the Section 19 report on flooding which will be brought back to the Parish Council.

9. Correspondence

Correspondence received has been circulated.

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 1st April

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.