

Rhodesia Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 1st September 2021

Present:

Councillor Margaret Leadbeater (Chair)

Councillors Eric Deamer, David Pressley, Peter Ratcliff and Gordon Hall.

County Councillor Fielding

M Welch (Clerk).

There were three members of the public present.

A skip has been filled with some of the rubbish previously reported although some is left behind however there has been no more burning.

Councillors were asked if the public footpath on Mary Street will be left open Councillors Pressley and Fielding reported that it would.

The stile on the footpath under the bridge was reported as being broken someone has taken the bits away, Councillor Fielding has reported it and will be in touch with the Rights of Way Officer.

A resident reported that every time there is heavy rain in Chapel Waters the water people come out to the drains.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Lesley Deamer.

2. Declaration of Interest

Councillors Pressley and Fielding declared an interest in planning,

3. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 28th July 2021.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th July 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated to members were confirmed as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

4. Matters arising from the previous minutes

a) Village Hall – Reopening/rent office/Hire Form/Plot at rear

Councillor Hall had a contractor out to look at the plot at the rear of the hall but he did not want the job and was not able to supply a quote. The Decorator is coming on Sunday to quote for decorating the rent office and the electrician will also submit a quote. Councillors agreed to have the office painted the same colour as the main hall.

Councillor Lesley Deamer has circulated forms for hire of the hall, the chairman suggested they be amended in one or two places as there is no equipment.

Councillors Fielding and Pressley do not think they will be holding surgeries until next year and councillors agreed to discuss the reopening of the hall further at the next meeting.

b) Defibrillator /AED

Councillor Deamer reported that Lesley had found an example online. Questions were asked about the possibility of using the layby at Woodend, Councillor Fielding will look into this further. It was reported that the new development has got to have chargers installed. Councillor Pressley offered to follow up possible sites on the Dormer estate, nobody came back to Councillor Hall.

c) Memorial

Councillor Fielding reported that this would require a licence for which there is no cost but a site visit would be needed which Councillor Fielding will arrange and it was agreed a councillor will attend. Councillor Pressley suggested a plaque be put on the benches.

d) Christmas Lights

The forms received from Highways have been circulated to councillors and will be looked into further. Councillor Pressley proposed for this year that lights could be put up outside the village hall and the clerk was asked to contact the electrician for a quote.

e) Allotments

Councillor Hall reported that Peter has taken a scythe up the side where the tree fell down but that contractors with a digger will be needed as it is too much for him. Councillors agreed to discuss this further at the next meeting, Councillor Pressley will bring a magazine with contractor details to the next meeting.

5. New Business

a) Flood action planning

Councillor Deamer asked about the supply of sandbags these are in the container outside the hall. Councillor Fielding explained that there is training available for flood wardens and anyone interested should contact her signage can be arranged for Rhodesia if training has been done. Councillor Deamer expressed an interest and Councillor Pressley offered to attend the next virtual course.

b) Website

Councillor Lesley Deamer had asked about the Hugo Fox site and councillors agreed this could be looked at again to try to transfer from Bassetlaw, Councillor Pressley has contacts at Bassetlaw who can be contacted if help is required.

c) Donation for 1st responders

Councillor Hall proposed we donate £100, seconded by Councillor Leadbeater and all agreed.

d) Winter Service

Salt has been offered again, councillors agreed that we do not need any more this time.

6. Planning

a) New Applications.

21/01166/ADV Various Illuminated and Non-Illuminated Signage, KFC Speaker Pole, Taco Pre Order and Main Order Menus, Highway Signs and Service Yard Signs- Site South of Sainsburys Car Park High Grounds Road, Rhodesia – Councillors think the illuminated signs will probably be a distraction to motorists.

21/01171/VOC Variation of Conditions 2 (Drawings), 4 (Stopping up), 5 (Access, Signs, Lighting and Mud), 6 (Waste), 7 (Bird and Bat Boxes), 8 (Tree Planting) P.A 19/00152/FUL Site South of Sainsburys Car Park High Grounds Road – councillors had no objections.

21/01240/HSE Erect Single Storey Side Extension 6 Mabel Street Rhodesia – councillors had no objections subject to there being no objections from neighbours.

b) Decisions

There were no decisions.

7. Finance

a) Balance – £11233.20

b) Cheques - the following cheques were signed M Welch £461.50, 1st Responders £100 and Fire Extinguishers.

c) Bank

The clerk has started to apply for the Unity Account but still needs some signatory's personal details and memorable names some of which were passed to her.

d) Audit

External auditors have raised questions which have been answered and the clerk is waiting to hear back.

8. County and District Councillors

Councillor Fielding explained about the flooding issues, drainage and flood warden training. The consultation is out for double yellowing of all junctions dependent on the response it will or will not go for a traffic order she hope the Parish Council will support this.

Friends of Woodlands are having a meeting at the hide near the new pond, details will be forwarded to councillors.

Councillor Pressley reported that the Bassetlaw plan is going through the final consultation to see if it will go forward. The hotel on High Grounds building was stopped as the subcontractor went into liquidation and there is now a new contractor working on it.

Branches dumped outside the school by fly-tippers have been cleared by Bassetlaw.

The quarry has been delayed due to Covid.

The possibility of football for children in Rhodesia is currently being looked into.

9. Correspondence

Correspondence has been circulated, the Cuckoo circular was made available.

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 6th October

The meeting closed at 8.37 p.m.