

Rhodesia Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 6th October 2021

Present:

Councillor Lesley Deamer (Chair)
Councillors Eric Deamer, David Pressley, Peter Ratcliff and Gordon Hall.
County Councillor Fielding
M Welch (Clerk).

There was one member of the public present.

Councillors were asked when the village hall would reopen for the youth club. Councillor L Deamer explained that she had put a booking form together and that this was on the agenda to be discussed later in the meeting.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Margaret Leadbeater and County Councillor Fielding.

2. Declaration of Interest

Councillors Pressley declared an interest in planning,

3. To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 1st September 2021.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st September 2021, copies of which had been previously circulated to members were confirmed as a true record and were signed by Councillor L Deamer.

4. Matters arising

a) Village Hall –

(i) Reopening – There are a couple of parties with provisional bookings. Councillor Pressley suggested discussing with Peter from Shireoaks about how they reopened their hall and run it. Councillor L Deamer offered to meet people, open and lock up the hall and to carry out a generic risk assessment. The hall will be marketed through Facebook and on the noticeboard.

(ii) Rent office – Quotes have been received and circulated for redecorating, replacing the window and an idea of the electrics cost. Resolved – Councillor Hall proposed we accept these, seconded by Councillor Pressley and unanimously agreed. Councillor Hall will arrange the window replacement. Councillor L Deamer offered to help cleaning down the room beforehand.

(iii) Hire Form – Councillors agreed the form should request electronic payments and if someone really can't arrange this to come back to the council. Resolved – Councillors agreed to charge £20 deposit.

(iv) Plot at rear – Councillor Hall reported that Peter had made a path through. There was discussion as to what could be done, Councillor Pressley gave some contact details to Councillor Hall who will see if he can get a quote.

(v) Water – This has been sorted.

(vi) Wire fencing – Councillor Ratcliffe proposed we get rid of the wire fencing at the back of the hall, seconded by Councillor Pressley and all agreed.

(vii) Youth Club – Councillor E Deamer proposed we reopen to the Youth Club on 2nd November, seconded by Councillor Hall, the clerk was asked to let Shane know and ask him to do their own risk assessment as well.

b) Defibrillator /AED

Councillor Pressley had asked at Dormer who would like a defibrillator however there is no electric. Councillor Fielding was looking into using the lay-by.

c) Memorial

Councillor Fielding is coming next week to see about the license

d) Christmas Lights

A quote obtained had been circulated by the clerk and councillors agreed to get the electrician out to do a quote.

e) Allotments

Councillor Pressley brought a magazine with contractor details as agreed at the last meeting.

5. New Business

a) Remembrance 2021

An email had been circulated giving details of Tommy. **Resolved** - Councillor Pressley proposed one be ordered initially to be kept in the hall, seconded by Councillor E Deamer and all agreed.

Councillors also agreed to order a poppy wreath through Councillor Fielding.

b) Funding for Community Trees

This funding was discussed and trees that had previously been planted, Councillor Pressley reported that Bassetlaw are checking all trees at the moment.

Councillor Pressley offered to speak to John Foster to see if any could be put on the quarry site.

6. Planning

a) New Applications.

21/01353/HSE 14 Mabel Street Rhodesia, Erect Detached Garage, Brick Boundary Wall and Construct New Access Including Dropped Kerb Margaret there had been no objections.

b) Decisions

21/01240/HSE Erect Single Storey Side Extension 6 Mabel Street Rhodesia- Granted.

7. Finance

a) Balance – £8125.06

b) Cheques - the following cheques were signed M Welch £461.50, PKF £240, G Hall £36, £100 donation Bassetlaw Food Bank, Unity Bank £1000 and Tommy £200

c) Bank

The clerk has started to apply for the Unity Account but a deposit is needed. Councillor Pressley proposed we open the account with £1000 which was unanimously agreed.

d) Audit

External auditors have completed the audit and the necessary notices have been published.

8. County and District Councillors

Councillor Pressley has reported the overgrown trees to the County Council and Canal and River Trust.

The faulty street light has been repaired.

The Premier Inn hotel is now being constructed.

For Christmas there will be a winter wonderland in the church in Shireoaks which councillors have contributed to and it will be for residents of Rhodesia as well.

Fireworks in Shireoaks will not go ahead this year.

Gleesons development contact details have been circulated and they have agreed to give some money to the play area in Rhodesia.

9. Correspondence

Correspondence has been circulated.

An email had been received from the food bank asking for a donation. Resolved – Councillor E Deamer proposed we donate £100, seconded by Councillor Hall and all agreed.

A letter from Stephen Brown had been received about parishes working together. Councillor L Deamer proposed we participate in this and all agreed.

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 3rd November 2021

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.