

RATCLIFFE ON THE WREAKE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Thursday 20th September 2018 at 7.30 PM in the village hall

Present:

Cllr Tom Chaplin, Cllr Mick Wells, Cllr Pauline Lewis and Cllr Andy Cartwright, 3 members of the public, Cllr Poland and the clerk.

357/2018 - Resolution to receive apologies for absence

- Cllr Emily Le Gros

358/2018 - Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items of the agenda

As agreed Declarations of Interest would be recorded at the start of each meeting. Councillors declaring an interest would still be entitled to take part in discussions unless the item is prejudicial, councillors would not be allowed to vote on the item or add opinion.

- N/A

359/2018 – County Council/Police reports

- Cllr Poland reported that on the 16th August the Secretary of State for Communities visited Leicestershire to announce innovative plans to create 500 jobs and generate £1.6m for front line County Council services.
- Cllr Poland reported that the 7 Borough and District Councils have agreed to work together to investigate a wide range of options for the future of local government in Leicestershire.
- There was no crime reported.

360/2018 - Public Questions

Members of the public were asked to declare their name when addressing the Chairman if they wished for their name to be minuted in this section of the meeting, if they did not want their name mentioned they need not declare it.

- A member of the public asked why there is sign at the top of Broome Lane indicating that there are no road markings. *The Chair reported that the sign is for the lack of road markings and that they will be repainted once the work at the hall has been completed.*

361/2018 – Resolution to approve and sign minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 19th July 2018

The minutes of the meetings were circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting for them to be reviewed. The minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed and will be uploaded onto the website.

362/2018 - Resolution to approve payment of outstanding accounts

The clerk reported that during the review of the 2017/18 AGAR and documents that were submitted to the national auditor, they have confirmed that the council had income and expenditure below £25,000 and therefore have met the criteria to exempt itself from our review this year. Councillors agreed to exempt the parish council from the review and the exemption certificate was signed. This will be added to the website.

The clerk reported that the second instalment of the precept had been received and that the balance of the current account is £3,002.19 and the reserve account is £7,381.53. Cllr Chaplin proposed the approval of all payments and this was seconded by Cllr Wells.

0419	• Moss Solicitors, professional fees in relation to Church Lane	£952.00
0420	• Helen Chadwick, clerks salary	£150.00
0421	• Ratcliffe Village Hall, hall hire	£13.00

0422	• Tom Chaplin, eco drive grid for Church Lane	£693.99
	Total outgoing cheques:	£1,808.00

363/2018 – To receive an update on progress made on the land at Church Lane and agree any further actions

The Chair reported that the garage has been removed and a plan of the layout of the parking agreed. It was agreed at a previous meeting that Cllr Chaplin would look at the cost of purchasing 90sq metres of eco drive grid and presented a quote for £693.99. Councillors agreed to the expenditure and Cllr Chaplin will arrange delivery of the grid, removal of the concrete base and installation of the eco drive grid. Councillors also agreed to the landscaping quote of £1,500.00

364/2018 – To receive an update on progress made with the speed camera and agree action

The clerk reported that was nothing further to report, we are waiting for the Memorandum of Understanding from LCC Highways, this will allow the parish council to take over the post that will house the speed camera and the electricity supply. The clerk will speak with Highways again and also Cllr Poland to see whether he can offer any support in bringing this to a conclusion.

365/2018 – To discuss applications for car parking spaces, agree successful residents and communication about parking to parishioners

The clerk reported that she had received three requests for parking spaces on Church Lane. Councillors agreed that all three applicants would be offered a parking space and it was agreed (by drawing names out of a hat) which parking space would be allocated to which property.

- Parking space number one (the front one) will be assigned to house number 12
- Parking space number 2 (middle one) will be assigned to house number 8
- Parking space number 3 (near garage) will be assigned to house number 6

Councillors agreed that availability of the parking spaces is expected to be the end of October and suggested that the clerk contact the three residents offering them a parking space and if they wish to go ahead they will be provided with a copy of the contract and conditions, they will be asked for the contract to be signed and returned along with payment. Councillors agreed that the rent will be £120 a year. It was agreed that the Cllr Chaplin will draft a communication outlining the plans for Church Lane to go into the next edition of the newsletter.

366/2018 – To receive an update on Broadband

The Chair reported that superfast broadband is now live in the village and that notices have been put up around the village, on the website and on the parish council noticeboard.

367/2018 – Parish Councillor Updates

Cllr Wells reported that:

- He is still trying to find someone who will replace the trees that have been damaged on the avenue.
- Following on from recent events he suggested that we check that the parish council have the necessary insurance in place to cover contractors. The clerk confirmed that we do have insurance and contractors have to have PLI.

Cllr Cartwright reported that:

- The manhole cover on Broome Lane has been repaired but rather than it being a dip is now a raised bump and care still needs to be taken when driving over it.

368/2018 – Date of next meeting

The clerk confirmed that the next meeting will take place on Thursday 6th December 2018 at 7.30 PM in the village hall.

The Chair closed the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Signed:

Date: