

REARSBY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a full Council meeting held on Thursday 2nd January 2020 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Public Forum

No comments were made.

Present
Councillor M Cooke (Chair)
Councillor A Byrne (Vice Chair)
Councillor K Wills
Councillor R Metcalfe

In Attendance
Sue Norledge – Clerk
PC Malik
PCSO Richards

20/01 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Poland and Councillor Higgins.

20/02 To confirm minutes of meeting held on 5th December 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 5th December 2019 were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

20/03 Progress on outstanding items

a) Progress on items of essential repair and maintenance

- The new dog bin had been installed on the Village Hall playing field
- The overflowing waste bins had been reported to CBC. It was suggested that the dog bin on Church Leys Avenue be changed to a larger one. The Clerk would contact CBC about this.
- The loose footpath sign at the bottom of Church Lane had been reported.

b) To report any new items of essential repair and maintenance and agree action to be taken

- The raised footpath between Thrussington and Rearsby had a hole in the tarmac that could cause a trip hazard. The Clerk would report this to LCC.
- Councillor Wills noted that the LCC notice for the forthcoming road works was loose as a tie had broken.

c) Progress on the draft Neighbourhood Plan following the completion of the Section 14 consultation process

It was agreed that Councillor Cooke would contact Martin Field to see what progress had been made and to see if any assistance was needed.

d) Progress on negotiations with Davidson Homes over the transfer of the Conker Field

The contract had been signed by the Chair and Vice Chair and forwarded to the solicitor. It was agreed to-;

- The Clerk would contact Burnt Oak for a quote to mow the conker field.
- The Clerk would check if planning permission was needed to install a new gate onto Station Road.
- Councillor Cooke would contact the tree survey company to begin that work.
- Councillor Cooke would contact secure-a-field to begin the process of getting quotes for the new kissing gates.

- Advice would be sort from George Walkers as to the best solution for fencing the field. It was agreed that it would probably be best to remove the saplings on Station Road and replace with a fence with a view to planting a new hedge at the back of the fence.

e) Mobile vehicle activated sign location and recording update

The sign was currently switched off. It was agreed to purchase a blue tooth system for downloading of the data at a cost of £250.00.

f) To agree the precept request for 20/21

A budget for 20/21 of £39,252 was agreed. The precept request of £20,918 was agreed. The balance of £18,334 would be met from reserves.

g) Review of arrangements for Christmas 2019

Councillor Metcalfe reported that the tree would be removed on Saturday 4th January. Thanks, were given to Colin Simpson from Rearsby Landscapes for all his help. It was agreed that the Clerk would write a letter of thanks and send a bottle of wine to acknowledge his help.

h) Progress on consultation on draft Charnwood Local Plan

Councillor Byrne had produced the PC's response and this had been submitted.

i) Progress on potential items of expenditure for 19/20

1. New Village web site – Councillor Wills

It was agreed that Councillor Wills would go ahead with the new village website.

It was suggested that it be called Rearsby Village News. All other websites would run in parallel for the next year and then be reviewed. It was also agreed that the Clerk would set up a facebook page for the PC.

2. Enhancements to the village hall playing fields – Councillor Higgins

There was nothing further to report.

3. New benches and tree enhancements – Councillor Byrne

There was nothing further to report.

4. Enhancements to the conker field – Councillor Cooke

This had already been covered.

20/04 Police, County Councillor and Borough Councillors reports

a) County/Borough Councillor Report

No report was made.

b) Police Report and crime and safety in Rearsby

PC Malik reported that there had been no reported crime in Rearsby during December. There were reports of vehicle number plates being stolen elsewhere on the beat.

c) Village Warden Reports

Heritage Warden report

No report was made.

Tree Warden Report

No report was made.

Flood Warden report

e) Monthly risk assessment and village safety report

Councillor Cooke would undertake the risk assessment in January and Councillor Wills would undertake the February risk assessment.

f) Report back from Village Hall Committee meeting including risk assessment

There had been no meeting held in December.

g) Finance (including cheques, balances and budgets)

The balance of the account at 31.12.19 was £37,967.89

S Norledge - wages and expenses - £500.06

LRALC – training, £40.00

A Corcoran – NP expenses, £276.99

D Overfield – dog bin, £36.00

Playdale – wetpour repairs, £3016.20

The bank reconciliation to 31.12.19 was signed by the Chair.

h) Issues arising from LRALC reports

There was nothing to report.

20/05 New Business

There was no new business.

20/06 Planning

P/19/2250/2 13 Gaddesby Lane, erection of two houses.

It was agreed to object to this application due to concerns over damage to the root system of the Wellingtonia tree that has a tree preservation order on it.

20/07 Correspondence received that is not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

There was nothing new to report.

20/08 Chairman's report, including article for submission to Rearsby Scene

There was nothing further to report.

Date and time of next meeting

Thursday 6th February 2020 Rearsby Village Hall

The meeting closed at 20.47 pm

Signed..... (Chairman, Rearsby Parish Council)

Dated.....