

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYHALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 13 JULY 2020 AT 7.00 pm
Due to Covid 19 this meeting was conducted by Zoom

PRESENT , Mr D Amies (DA) Mrs S Smith (SS) Mrs S Markwell-Cook (SMC)
Mr J Gresty (JG) Mrs E Sismore (ES) Mrs D Rolfe (DR) Mr D Wilby (DW)
Mr A Gombault (AG) Cllr Richard Coleman was also in attendance

01/20 APOLOGIES - Mr N Bellairs (NB)

02/20 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The position of chairman became vacant upon the resignation of Paul Huddleston. It was proposed by ES, seconded by AG that David Amies be nominated to the role of Chairman. There were no further nominations. At the vote, it was agreed unanimously. He duly signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office on the screen on zoom and took office as Chair.

03/20 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Following the above vote the role of vice chair became vacant. It was proposed by DW, seconded by SS that Adrian Gombault be elected as vice chairman. There were no further nominations. At the vote, carried unanimously.

04/20 DECLARATIONS OF UNREGISTERED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS FROM MEMBERS ON MATTERS IN WHICH THEY HAVE A REGISTERED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST - None

05/20 PUBLIC TIME - One member of the public joined the meeting via zoom with a view to his co-option application. No members of the public joined the meeting via audio link to participate in public time.

06/20 MINUTES. It was proposed by DW, seconded by ES and agreed that the Minutes of the Meeting held virtually on Monday May 18th 2020 were approved and signed on the zoom screen by DA. It was proposed by ES, seconded by DW and agreed the Minutes of the extra ordinary meeting held virtually on Wednesday May 25th 2020 were approved and signed on the zoom screen by DA. AG and DA abstained

07/20 MATTERS ARISING

Street Light relocation - no further update on the parish council comments regarding the removal and relocation of the light formerly on the barn of the Old Forge. Clerk to seek an update from Rutland County Council.

Parkfield Road wildflower area - this has been established under the new trees on Parkfield Road green. Clerk to add the temporary signage.

AGENDA ITEMS

08/20 RESIGNATION OF PAUL HUDDLESTON

Paul Huddleston has retired from the parish council after 21 years .We pay tribute to Paul for his long and dedicated service

He joined the parish council in May 1999, took on the role of Vice Chair in May 2003 and was later elected to the position of Chairman in May 2013.

Over the decades he has achieved a huge amount for the parishes and expended so many hours of service to Ryhall and Belmesthorpe.

He was also the parish council representative on the Village Hall committee to which he was very committed and in addition he was the lead/ chair of the Planning Committee

commenting and making observations on (average) 25 planning and tree applications a year.

Heading a parish council is not always an easy task and there have been events that have proved difficult and testing. However, Paul as Chairman has always had the capacity and charm to steer the parish council and the community

He will be greatly missed for his calm leadership, excellent journalistic skills and font of knowledge. Paul always led with strategic thinking and strong diplomatic skills

On behalf of the council and the community we thank Paul for his dedication and hard work and wish him all the very best in his future endeavours

Allocation of roles - Parish Council Village Hall Representative - NB has offered to replace PH on the Village Hall Committee.

Planning Committee lead - ES offered to replace PH as Planning Lead in the interim. JG offered to replace PH on the planning committee and will consider the role of lead in the future.

09/20 CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Following the resignation of Chris Parsons a casual vacancy was created. Mr Andrew Nebel wished to be considered for co-option and had submitted a resume of his career, skills and his register of interests. It was proposed by DW, seconded by AG that Andrew Nebel be co-opted onto Ryhall Parish Council. At the vote all in favour. He duly signed the Declaration of Office on the screen on zoom and will complete the Register of Interests within 28 days to be submitted to Rutland County Council. Following signature, he was thereafter eligible to join the meeting.

10/20 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

Note the Belmesthorpe White Bridge undergoing repair

Note the Foundry Road footpath recently repaired - thanks to Rutland County Council Belmesthorpe village gates. The parish council seeks the opinion of Highways to ascertain the feasibility of the proposed gates at two specific locations. Await their response. AG and the parish clerk will then formulate the Four Year plan questionnaire to include a consultation on the gates proposal.

Carriageway Patching TRO20/52 - Highways have confirmed this will take place on Parkfield Road from the junction with Rutland Way for two days - 11 / 12 August 2020. Details on the Notice board.

Belmesthorpe waste paper bin by the bench. It was proposed by AG, seconded by DW and agreed that the parish council request a new large capacity bin to be located at this popular seating area. Ideally, a traditional bin to blend with the conservation / countryside location. If agreed, RCC would then add this to their bin collection schedule.

11/20 RYHALL MEADOWS PLAYING FIELDS

(1) Re-opening of the play equipment -the play park and outdoor gym were re-opened on Friday 10th July, following the necessity of producing the risk assessment and confirming with the insurance company. Signage in line with the Government Guidance is in place throughout the area and on the website

(2) Play Area Annual Inspection of the Under Fives and original climbing frame - also including the new equipment and outdoor gym - was undertaken on 15th June 2020

(3) New operational signage has been placed by the main play area and the playing fields notice board to highlight the rules about the usage of the equipment.

(4) Update on Play Area Phase Two- the Under Fives. The Playing Fields Committee have received a grant from National Grid which has been ring fenced for the purchase of a multi play activity centre. This will be to replace the old tractor which has now been dismantled.

12/20 ALLOTMENTS

(1) Thanks noted from the Association for the support of the Parish Council with the donation towards the roof repairs of the Retreat.

(2) Inspection - the Parish Council Representative and the Allotment Association will undertake the quarterly inspection.

(3) Rent increase proposal. Due to the significant increase in the water invoice and the anticipated increase in the insurance, it was proposed by ES, seconded by SS and agreed to increase the rent from October 2020. A full plot will be £30.00, half plot £20.00 and quarter plot £15.00. It has been kept to the minimum increase but agreed to have incremental increases every year to try to establish self sufficiency. The allotments are a well run village amenity and a really valued asset. The rent should reflect that the allotment plot holders should cover all their outgoings, as a point of principle they should be self funded and ideally build up some contingency fund.

(4) Tree Inspection of the boundary trees abutting the A6121 is due in the autumn. This is parish council owned land; it was proposed by ES, seconded by JG and agreed to the sum of £283.72 plus VAT for an inspection and report carried out by the RCC Forestry Officer.

13/20 CEMETERY ISSUES

(1) Update on headstones. Following an inspection in November 2019, letters had been posted to nine families to seek their assistance in maintenance of their headstone. It was reported that four had responded and repaired. The remaining families will be contacted again. The parish council have received a complaint about the flooded area in a particular section of the cemetery > it was agreed to conduct a further site visit to inspect and take the findings to the next Parish Council meeting in September for a decision on action.

(2) Bench in the churchyard. A resident wishes to purchase and locate a bench in the churchyard, overlooking St John's Close and Forrester's Cottages. Initial enquires have been made about permissions needed but had been inconclusive. It was agreed to undertake a site visit and to follow up with Rutland County Council.

14/20 GRASSCUTTING & HEDGECUTTING

Reimbursement for parish grass cutting has been agreed by Rutland County Council. The 2021/22 season will see a reduction of approximately 10% of the reimbursement.

Request for hedges to be cut as soon as possible after nesting season ends 31st July 2020 - has been noted by the contractor. Spinney hedge and the allotment A6121 hedge will be the first on the list.

Quote for a cut of the wide verge from Belmesthorpe village to the white bridge to allow safer walking route around the villages has been received @ £30.15 plus VAT per cut x 3 occasions to the end of the season. It was proposed by AG, seconded by SS and agreed to accept this quote on the basis that one cut might suffice but if necessary up to three.

15/20 OTHER MEETINGS - Reports from Councillors on meetings they have attended as parish council representatives. None.

16/20 CORRESPONDENCE

Circulated: by email

LRALC round robin

RCC Confidential Briefings twice a week

05.05.20 Rutland North Beat report

01.6.20 and 01.07.20 Rutweb report

01.06.20 Rutland Community Wellbeing

01.06.20 PFA Newsletter

22.06.20 Rutland Statement of Community Involvement (second review) - Noted

30.06.20 Stamford Northern Bi Pass proposals Noted. It was agreed that there was not sufficient information to comment in detail at this stage, but the parish council would register an interest and their concern for the effect on the wider environment of the parish.

30.06.20 Fight For Rutland Launch - No comments noted

01.07.20 Resilient Rutland Newsletter

07.07.20 British Red Cross request for donation - it was agreed to formulate a policy on donations to charity going forward. Andrew Nebel offered to produce a draft for the consideration of the parish council.

07.07.20 Retirement of Helen Briggs RCC

To consider - Sustainable Stamford focus on foot and cycle paths - to circulate The Rutland County Council Statement of Community Involvement

17/20 FINANCE

Income received into Community Account			None
Payments made since the last meeting			
	Nett	VAT	Total
21.05.20 Mrs C Adams Salary May			862.03
21.05.20 H M Revenue for tax CA			247.24
22.06.20 LRALC delegate fee			20.00
22.06.20 Environment SK Grass cutting			856.72
22.06.20 Mrs C Adams Salary June 2020			862.03
22.06.20 H M Revenue & Customs			247.24
06.07.20 Plough Environment Grass cutting in cemeteries		(2 visits June)	700.00
06.07.20 Hills Accountants Admin for payroll	51.00	10.20	61.20
06.07.20 D Amies subscription to zoom for meeting			14.39
06.07.20 Environment SK Grass cutting	1,180	236.08	1,416.48

Payment of the above accounts as detailed were proposed by DW , seconded by DR and agreed

Payments made from Burial Accounts since last meeting - None

Income received into Burial Account as below	
29.05.20 A Mulhey - purchase of four burial plots	1,200.00
29.05.20 P Bird - purchase of two burial plots	600.00
09.06.20 M Showell -reservation of cremated remains plots	300.00
Payments to agree from the Burial Account	None

Accounts

As at 06.07.20

Community Account (1)	33,068.12	Includes ringfenced CIL Money of 1,790
High Interest	14,136.84	
Burial Current	2,372.99	
Community Account (2) for Under Five Project	4,978.53	Includes the £100 refund

Income received into the CIL Play area community fund	
From Barclays Bank by way of apology following complaint	£100.00

18/20 PLANNING

Local Plan - consultation delayed due to Covid 19. The planning committee will meet to formulate comments on the proposed developments outlined in the Local Plan

Full Planning Permission

Single storey extension to rear of property . 4 Gwash Meadows , Belmesthorpe Lane, Ryhall PE9 4LB 2020/0430/FUL

Outline Planning Permission & Retrospective Applications - None

Refusal of Planning Permission & Listed Building Consent

Alterations and extension of outbuildings to form annex and garages. Ryhall Hall, Church Street, Ryhall PE09 4HR **2020/0475/LBA and 0474/ FUL**

Certificate of Lawfulness for proposed Use or Development

Hogben House Crown Street Ryhall PE9 4HD . Conversion of attached garage to create garden room. Decision date 20/5/20

Application for Tree works : works to trees subject to a TPO and / or Notification of proposed works to trees in a conservation area

T1 Salix Fell to Ground level - Dunster House Foundry Road, Ryhall PE9 4JA
2020/0469/CAT

Determination as to whether the prior approval of details is required (Development within the curtilage of a dwellinghouse) 2020/0448/DEP

Date of validation 27 April 2020 Removal of existing U PVC Conservatory and replacement with enlarged single storey extension . Elmwood , Essendine Road, Ryhall PE9 4JN. The development can proceed as notified .

Planning applications observations:

Erection of single storey front porch and conversion of existing attic/ loft space for habitable use including insertion of two roof lights. 3 New Row, Mill Street, Ryhall PE9 4HG **2020/0377/LBA**

Demolish and replace single storey side extension and rear extension . Single storey front extension and canopy. 7 Balk Road, Ryhall PE9 4H **2020/0254/FUL**

Proposed detached dwelling .The Old Station, Shepherds Walk Belmesthorpe
2020/0441/FUL

T1 Sycamore - Fell due to potential nuisance to new patio area beneath. The Old Forge, Foundry Road, Ryhall PE9 4JA **2020/0512/CAT**

Alterations to kitchen to from new glazed doors Ryhall Hall , Church Street Ryhall PE9 4HR
2020/0457/LBA

Construction of 1 No Dwelling . Land at Bridge Street, Ryhall **2020/0612/FUL**

Addition of detached garage and new access to serve dwelling .The Bungalow , Newstead Lane, Belmesthorpe. **2020/0593/FUL**

19/20 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Library - AG reported the request to Rutland County Council for redecoration of the library exterior prior to re-opening.

Parking on Castle Rise - noted there had been obstructive parking causing access issues. It was agreed to refer to Rutland County Council.

Play area safety surface - noted that the matting had been damaged by the grasscutting mover. This is under review & RMPF will fund the use of a strimmer whilst the grass continues to grow through.

A6121 - camp site/bonfires have been noted in the adjacent fields and referred to Rutland County Council.

A6121 - flooding at the bottom of Essendine Hill - this has been reported to Rutland County Council but as yet not alleviated. Cllr Coleman will continue to lobby for resolution

20/20 NEXT MEETING - The next meeting will be on Monday 7th September 2020 at 7.00pm This will also be a virtual meeting due to Covid 19 restrictions

The meeting was recorded for clarity of minutes and will be deleted after the draft minutes have been agreed at the September meeting.