

RICKINGHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held Thursday 1 October 2015

Small Meeting Room, Rickinghall Village Hall

Present: Cllr Dominic Ebert
Cllr David Lister
Cllr Geoff Short
Cllr Rosemary Jones
Cllr Sally Smith

Parish Clerk – Leeann Jackson-Eve
District Cllr – Derek Osborne
County Cllr – Jessica Fleming
1 Member of the public

7.30pm The Chairman welcomed those present and opened the meeting.

1. **Apologies for absence.** Cllr Gillian Crossley-Holland
2. **Casual Vacancies in the Office of Parish Councillor:** None.
3. **To confirm the minutes of the Meeting held on 3 September 2015.** The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed.
4. **Magazine Input:** Cllr Smith.
5. **Members Declarations of Interest and Dispensations.** None.
6. **Public Forum:** 7.32pm RESOLVED, with all in favour, to adjourn the meeting for the public forum. The Chairman reconvened the meeting at 7.38pm.
7. **Planning:**
 - 7.1 **Planning Applications:** None.
 - 7.2 **Notice of Intent works to tree(s) in the Conservation Area:** None.
 - 7.3 **Notification of Planning Decisions by Mid Suffolk DC:** None.
8. **Progress Reports:**
 - 8.1 **Chairman:** Had noted that the fence at The Old Workshop, West Hall Road had not been painted as per planning conditions. The Clerk to report to MSDC.
 - 8.2 **Clerk:** Reported that there had been no further communication from residents about the double yellow lines at the Co-op following reports in the parish magazine and what had been received was all positive. It was agreed to ask SCC to go ahead with the project. The Clerk would write to the Co-op to ask for its support.
9. **Correspondence:**
 - 9.1 **MSDC:** The Gypsy and Traveller Sites call for sites was noted and it was agreed to discuss it fully at the November meeting.
 - 9.2 **Suffolk Police:** It was noted that the police would no longer regularly attend PC meetings but would attend if requested. Reports would still be sent.
 - 9.3 **SALC:** The PC noted that it qualified for a grant from the Smaller Authorities Transparency Fund, which had been set up to compensate smaller authorities for the burden of complying with the Code. It was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to authorise the Clerk to make a claim.
 - 9.4 **British Legion:** The details of Remembrance Sunday were noted and it was RESOLVED, with all agreed, to order a wreath at a cost of £20. Cllr Lister would represent the PC at the ceremony.
 - 9.5 **Rickinghall Village Hall:** It was also RESOLVED, with all in favour to support the application to MSDC for section 106 funding for replacement lighting.

9.6 **MSDC:** the Planning Together and Community Engagement document was noted and it was agreed to discuss it fully at the November meeting.

9.7 **MSDC:** The Town and Parish Newsletter was noted.

10. **General Items:**

10.1 **Walks Leaflets:** It was agreed to write to the Ramblers about sitting on the Working Party.

11. **Finance:**

11.1 **Account Balances:** £ 29,702.99
Income: £ 8,938.50 Precept Payment

11.2 **Accounts for Payment:**

L Jackson-Eve	£	489.77	Sal/Exps Sept 15
T Gaddis	£	197.35	St Clean/Leaf Clearance Oct 15
Bowls Club	£	50.00	s137 grant
J Canning	£	20.00	Remembrance Day Wreath
HMRC	£	20.40	LJE PAYE Quarterly Payment

RESOLVED, with all in favour, to approve payment of the accounts above.

11.3 **Quarterly Budget Report:** The budget position after 2nd quarter was noted.

12. **Highways Issues:** Speeding was still a concern, particularly at the village entrances. The Clerk would find out the procedure for getting a temporary vehicle activated signs and email most recent details on speeding to councillors.

13. **Councillors' Reports:**

- **Barwoods:** It was requested that the parking area at Northfield Wood be cut regularly from next year.
- **PC Surgery:** Cllr Crossley-Holland had agreed to do the 10 Oct surgery.
- **Street Lights:** Two lights were out – opp 1 Rectory Hill and outside the Village Hall – and would be reported.
- **PROW:** It was agreed to ask SCC to cut the top of the hedge at Jubilee House.
- **SALC/Parish Liaison:** The next Parish Liaison meeting would be held on 5 November.

14. **Matters to be brought to attention of the Council:** None.

15. **Next Meeting:** 5 November 2015

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.58pm.