

## RIDLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 28TH FEBRUARY 2018

**Members present:** David Johnson {Chair}; Marianne Gilkes (MG); David Harvey (DH); David Roome (DR); Christine Waterhouse (CW); Mile Horwood (MH); Ruth Lees (RL)

1. **Apologies for absence** **Chair**  
None
2. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda** **Chair**  
None
3. **Confirmation of minutes from 28th November 2018** **Chair**  
Record to show that DH abstained from vote on grant for churchyard (had declared interest)  
Proposed DR, seconded MG, carried unanimously
4. **Co-opt new Councillor to the meeting** **Chair**  
Chair welcomed Ruth Lees to the Council  
Proposed MG, seconded DR, carried unanimously
5. **Matters arising** **Chair**
  - a) Replacement of signage on footpath adjacent to Old Noel Arms  
MG to contact Footpath Officer at RCC for action.
  - b) Village grass cutting - RCC has given the PC the opportunity to take responsibility for this for the allocated amount of £1402pa. It was proposed that we continue with the current arrangements with RCC responsible for 10 cuts per year. Proposed MH, seconded MG, carried unanimously.
  - c) Data protection - awaiting further information from LRALC re appointment of a Data Protection Officer to meet requirements of new DPA coming into effect in May 2018.
6. **Environment or communication** **Chair**  
Manure on the piggery complaint - awaiting reply from RCC who are looking into this.
7. **Correspondence** **Chair**

**Rutland Poppy Project** - CW informed the council of the outcome of her communications with the Project contact Vickie Goddard - date needs to be agreed (possibly May) for the activity of making poppies in the Village Hall and advertise this event on the village website and notice-board to invite participation.  
Proposed CW, seconded DR, carried unanimously.

**Parish Council Forum minutes** -DH gave an insight into 'Heritage Watch' and associated crimes relating to church roofs and monuments etc. and the need for these to be protected.

**Avian Flu notifications** - advice notices on website and notice-board.

**Symposium for Tree Wardens** - MH expressed an interest in further investigating this opportunity for the Village and will report back at next PC meeting.
8. **Planning** **Councillor Roome**

**All planning applications** can be accessed on RCC website. All still awaiting approval with the exception of the tree felling at Ridlington House which has been passed.

**Complaint** re extensive building works without planning permission 6 Holygate Road **Chair**  
Raised at PC meeting and forwarded to RCC to look into and report on.

All villagers have already been given printed material regarding meeting planning regulations in a Conservation Article 4 Village. DH undertook to ensure any newcomers moving into the village would receive same.

DR had requested and received clarification from RCC on replacement of 'like for like' windows and doors with wood/upvc. Villagers requesting guidance on this should be referred to RCC.

9. **Finance** **Chair**

Chairman produced and distributed financial report. Total of Community Account and Business Premium Account is £2854.16. The accounts were proposed to be a true record. Proposed CW, seconded DR, carried unanimously. Chair noted that all website costs had been covered by central government grants but no further funding would be available for this.

Auditing procedures changing - Proposal to use legally appointed auditor provided by LRALC from 1st April 2018 at a cost of £170pa (cost linked to numbers of residents in village). Proposed by CW, seconded DR, carried unanimously.

Electronic version and hard copy of Grant application now available. RPCC grant application now completed. New expenditure on running costs - £14.99 for lever arch files and £31.91 for black inkjet cartridge totalling £46.90 purchased by Chair. Proposal to accept by DH, seconded DR, carried unanimously.

10. **Items for future Agenda** - noted that only items on the Agenda can be discussed in the meeting. **Chair**

**Date of next meeting**

**23rd May 2018 at 7.30 in Village Hall**

**Meeting closed at 9.00 pm**