

**RAYNE PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
HELD ON MONDAY, 1<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2005**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Michael Bamford  
Joanne Fish  
Harold Giles  
Roger Jiggins  
Ian MacNee  
Martyn Phillips

**Also in Attendance:** District Cllr Michael Banthorpe  
PC Natasha Keaney  
5 members of the public

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**Police Report**

PC Keaney informed members of the number of incidents relating to the village during July. Concerns were then raised over the increasing incidents of track bikes on the fields and roads around the village.

**Parish Plan**

The raffle from the Questionnaire was undertaken, with the following tickets drawn: 730 / 764 / 462 / 825 / 582 / 750 / 130.

Mr Bulkeley then gave a brief update on the status of the plan.

**District Councillor Report**

Cllr Banthorpe reported that BDC have requested Fairview resubmit the planning application for the back of the Foundry site in terms of density and design.

**Flitch Way**

The Ranger gave a brief update on the current situation regarding the reinstallation of the gates - it is hoped these will be in place towards the end of August and will include motorcycle barriers and horse friendly access gates (where appropriate).

**Planning Application - Woodstock**

Two neighbouring residents reported their concerns at this application and they will be putting in an objection to BDC in terms of noise.

**05/46 COUNCILLOR RESIGNATION**

Members reluctantly accepted the resignation of Councillor Jessica Dawson. Clerk to inform BDC of the vacancy.

**05/47 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllrs Kate Kuckiewicz, Pat Roberts, Diane Shepherd and John Wootton.

**05/48 CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON  
MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2005**

It was Proposed Cllr Ian MacNee, Seconded Cllr Harold Giles and unanimously Resolved to accept the minutes as a true record. The Chairman subsequently signed them.

**05/49 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Ø Cllr Roger Jiggins declared a Personal Interest in planning applications 05/01293/FUL and 05/01279/FUL as he knew the landowners.

- Ø Cllr Roger Jiggins declared a Personal Interest in 53.7 – BALC Subscription – as a member of the Executive Committee.
- Ø Cllr Harold Giles declared a Personal Interest in planning application 05/01279/FUL as he knew the landowner.
- Ø Cllr Michael Bamford declared a Personal Interest in item 52.2 – PARK Noticeboard – as a member of the Committee.

Councillors remained in the meeting but took no part in the decisions.

**05/50**

## **BDC MATTERS**

### **50.1 Planning Applications**

05/01164/FUL – Rayne Foundry – Erection of 49 dwellings, access, car parking and landscaping. It was agreed to note the following concerns: Density of housing, height of buildings, wish to see whole site developed, no live/work units, style of houses, car parking, surface water to Brunwin Road, contamination, possible bat roost, construction traffic and suitable screening with Tree Preservation Orders in place.

05/01293/FUL – Woodstock, Pods Lane – Relocation of car park.

It was agreed to Object to this application on the grounds that it will be intrusive to neighbouring properties and there are alternative solutions.

05/01305/FUL – Villa Farm, School Road – Proposed variation of existing agricultural condition to include training horses.

It was agreed to Support this application.

05/01279/FUL – Hazelmere Farm – Variation of condition 3 of App no 01/00251/COU to extend operation hours to 06.00 to 21.00 Mon-Sun.

It was agreed to Object to this application indicating the working hours should be restricted to the original hours that reflect those of other business in the village.

### **50.2 Planning Results**

The following applications have been GRANTED:

05/00744/FUL – The Commons, School Road – Demolition of dilapidated house and outbuildings and erection of replacement dwelling.

05/00994/FUL – 3 The Ruskin's, New Road – Proposed two storey extension to side and internal alterations.

The following application has been REFUSED:

05/00803/FUL – Land rear of 24 New Road – Erection of one bungalow.

**05/51**

## **ROADS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

### **51.1 Street Lighting**

Lamp 9006 Station Road was reported defective.

### **51.2 Policing Issues**

Ø To discuss any problems in the village – Problems with mini motorbikes within the village noted.

Ø Damage to Pump (Village Green) – Insurance company have agreed to instruct JTL Carpentry to replace the wooden fence at a cost of £950 but have offered the option of a cash settlement as the Parish Council wish to construct a metal replacement. Clerk to request details of such a settlement and it was agreed if this is less than £800 further discussion at the next meeting is required.

### **51.3 Road Reports**

Report received from Cllr Harold Giles. Clerk to forward to ECC.

It was unanimously Resolved to Close the meeting for a report on the problems faced by Duck End Green residents after a lorry bought down the BT phone line. Meeting Reconvened.

**51.4 Verge Cutting over Century Bridge**

Response received from ECC stating they have forwarded our concerns to the Countryside & Ecology Officer for further investigation.

**51.5 Redundant Signs**

It was agreed to request a site meeting with ECC to discuss the possible removal of redundant signs in the village.

**05/52 RAYNE'S ENVIRONMENT**

**52.1 Gore Corner - Ownership of Land (Update)**

Clerk reported a letter has been sent to the solicitor who undertook the original work and it was agreed to follow this up if no response received by 21 Aug. Possible other options include the Law Archives and/or Land Registry.

**52.2 PARK Noticeboard**

Cllr Bamford reported the Committee wish to place a noticeboard on the side of the Village Hall (in the play area) to keep people up-to-date.

The Parish Council were in support of this proposal.

**52.3 Flitch Way**

Issues covered during the Public Forum.

**52.4 Grounds Maintenance**

Following a discussion with the groundsman, it was agreed that there is now a need for a further person to undertake some of the duties required, with a view to increasing these in preparation for the groundsman retirement.

It was agreed the Parish Council should look at taking on an additional contractor by next spring and an article will be placed in the parish magazine.

**05/53 FINANCE**

53.1	£223.25	BDC - Hire of Refuse Vehicle (Jun)
53.2	£352.73	Mrs Whiteside - Clerks Salary (Jul)
53.3	£17.63	Acumen Wages Service (Jul)
53.4	£20.33	McAlpine - Lighting Maintenance (Jul)
53.5	£7.86	McAlpine - Lighting Maintenance (Aug)
53.6	£84.66	JLA Computer - Memory Sticks
53.7	£15.00	BALC - Annual Subscription

It was Proposed Cllr Michael Bamford, Seconded Cllr Harold Giles and unanimously Resolved to make the above payments.

Cllr Ian MacNee reported that BDC have agreed in principle to a grant of £5,000 for CCTV around the Village Hall.

**53.8 Precept Meeting**

Members requested details of the current and proposed Band D information is included.

Clerk to research the possibility of a grant application form to standardise information received from village organisations.

**05/54 MEETINGS / SEMINARS / CONSULTATIONS**

**54.1 Circulation Folder**

Cllr Phillips informed members of interesting/relevant items including details of the Merit Award received in the Best Kept Village Competition.

**54.2 Health Issues**

Verbal summary on the recent NHS Trust meeting given.

**54.3 Cluster Meeting - 17<sup>th</sup> July**

Cllr Phillips gave a brief report on the recent meeting.

**54.4 BDC Workshop - The New Planning System, 12<sup>th</sup> July**

Cllr MacNee gave a brief report on the recent meeting.

**54.5 Essex Minerals Development**

Clerk to request details of any sites that have been identified in Rayne.

**54.6 Anti-Social Behaviour Partnership Working**

BDC Workshop - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 6:30pm - Cllr Phillips to attend.

**54.7 Braintree District Council Taxi Study**

It was agreed no response was required.

**54.8 BDC - Proposed Parish Charter**

Response to consultation agreed.

**54.9 BDC - Parish Council's Evening**

Advance Notice - Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> December - Cllr Phillips to attend.

**54.10 Freedom of Information Act & Data Protection**

BDC Workshop - Clerk to attend.

**54.11 Employment Issues Course**

EALC Course - No member expressed an interest in attending.

**05/55 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2005.**

**05/55 CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 9:37 p.m.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_