

# RAYNE PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2005

**PRESENT:** Councillor Michael Bamford  
Jessica Dawson  
Joanne Fish  
Harold Giles  
Roger Jiggins  
Kate Kukiewicz  
Martyn Phillips  
Pat Roberts  
Diane Shepherd

**Also in Attendance:** Mrs Melanie Whiteside (Clerk)  
District Cllr Michael Banthorpe  
PC Natasha Keaney  
3 Members of the public.

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Adjournment to allow members of the public to raise issues of mutual interest or to question Councillors.

#### **Policing Issues – PC Keaney**

- Ø There were 24 calls received during January, including 1 Nuisance Youth, 1 Criminal Damage and 2 Theft.

#### **District Councillors Report – Cllr Banthorpe**

- Ø Flooding in Queenborough Lane – The pipes and ditch have been cleared by the resident.

#### **Mobile Speed Display, New Road**

A resident reported this was a welcome initiative, however action is needed on the information received following the survey.

#### **Overgrown Hedge, Leyfields**

Following a report of roots from an overgrown hedge possibly causing damage to the neighbouring property, it was agreed the Parish Council would take this issue up with BDC. Councillors advised that it might be advisable for the resident to seek legal advice.

#### **Planning Application – Netherhouse, 7 The Street**

The applicant gave a brief report on the background to the application.

**04/127**

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Members are reminded that the LGA1972, s85 states that apologies for absence must be received prior to a meeting. This is also a requirement of the Quality Council application. Apologies received from Cllr Ian MacNee and Cllr John Wootton.

**04/128 CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2005**

It was Proposed Cllr Roger Jiggins, Seconded Cllr Michael Bamford and unanimously Resolved to accept the minutes as a true record.

**04/129 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

To declare any 'personal' or 'personal and prejudicial' interests relating to items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members part 5/1 of the Constitution and having taken appropriate advice (where necessary) before the meeting.

- Ø Cllr Roger Jiggins declared a Personal interest in Item 130.2.1 (Hazelmere) as he knew the owner.

**04/130 BDC MATTERS**

**130.1 Planning Applications**

Members agreed to Support the following application:

05/00044/FUL & 05/00045/LBC - Nether House, 7 The Street - Erection of single storey timber framed glazed conservatory.

**130.2 Planning Results**

The following application has been GRANTED:

04/02214/FUL - Mill House, School Road - Single storey rear extension.

**130.2.1 Hazelmere Farm**

It was reported that the external sign had been removed and members believe the company have moved out.

**04/131 ROADS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

**131.1 Street Lighting**

No lights reported.

**131.2 Policing Issues**

No further issues.

**131.3 Shalford Road Footway and Pedestrian Phase, Gore Road**

Information received from ECC that they are requesting an amendment to the Foundry S106 Agreement to include pedestrian facilities.

Clerk to respond that the Shalford Road footway is our priority, followed by the pedestrian access across Gore Road.

**131.4 Speed Surveys - Dunmow Road and Shalford Road**

Report on the data received issued by Cllr Martyn Phillips. Members were disappointed to note that less than half of motorists travel within the 30mph speed limit. The following actions were agreed:

- Ø Copy data to Bocking Traffic Police, requesting an increase of speed checks at the appropriate times.
- Ø Report to be issued in the Parish Magazine and the School newsletter.

**131.5 Variable Message Signs - New Road**

Clerk to request results of the survey from ECC.

## **04/132 RAYNE'S ENVIRONMENT**

### **132.1 Parish Plan**

Ø To agree Working Agreement

Members unanimously agreed to adopt the draft agreement.

Ø Parish Council items for inclusion in the Questionnaire

Clerk requested general information relating to "Do You Know your Parish Council" be included in the questionnaire.

### **132.2 Village Hall**

Members wished to record their thanks to Cllr Roger Jiggins for his in-depth report on the maintenance issues at the hall. This will be discussed further at the joint liaison meeting.

### **132.3 Parish Paths Partnership**

Cllr Martyn Phillips apologised to the meeting as he has yet to complete the final walk of the footpaths - Cllr Jessica Dawson offered her assistance. Following this, members will need to decide if any paths need re-aligning on the Definitive Map.

It was agreed that Cllr Martyn Phillips and Cllr Roger Jiggins prepare a loose proposal for works to be undertaken in 2005/2006 to be sent to ECC as part of the P3 Scheme.

### **132.4 Quality Parishes Investment Fund**

Grant bid unsuccessful.

### **132.5 Annual Parish Assembly**

It was agreed the meeting would be held on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> May in the Old School Room commencing at 7:30pm. District Cllr Banthorpe, PC Keaney, Chair of the Plan Committee and the School to be invited to make a brief presentation with ECC and BDC invited to be part of a Guest Panel for questions only.

## **04/133 FINANCE**

133.1	£20.33	McAlpine - Lighting Maintenance (Feb)
133.2	£46.99	E-On Energy - Quarterly Energy Charge
133.3	£35.00	SLCC - Clerks Manual
133.4	£300.00	Village Hall - Hire (Jul-Dec '04)
133.5	£363.71	Mr Taylor - Assistant Groundsman
133.6	£34.00	All Saints - OSR Hire

It was Proposed Cllr Roger Jiggins, Seconded Cllr Diane Shepherd and unanimously Resolved to make the above payments.

### **133.7 Review of Groundsman Rates of Pay**

It was Proposed Cllr Diane Shepherd, Seconded Cllr Pat Roberts and unanimously Resolved to increase the contract rates as follows:

Groundsman £6.64/hr, Asst Groundsman £6.32/hr.

## **04/134 MEETINGS / SEMINARS / CONSULTATIONS**

### **134.1 Circulation Folder**

Cllr Martyn Phillips informed members of interesting/relevant items.

**134.2 Village Hall**

As members now receive a copy of the Village Hall minutes, it was agreed this item was no longer required on the agenda.

**134.3 Health Issues**

A written report received in Cllr Ian MacNee's absence.

**134.4 PC/Village Hall Liaison Meeting**

Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> February, 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

Cllr Pat Roberts and Cllr Diane Shepherd gave advance apologies.

**134.5 Draft East of England Plan**

It was agreed Cllr Kate Kukiewicz to draft a response to the ECC Questionnaire.

**134.6 EALC Courses**

Ø Chairman's Day - 24<sup>th</sup> March 10-3 @£41 per delegate.

Cllr Jessica Dawson to check her availability.

Ø Council Finance Course - 9<sup>th</sup> March 9:15-3:30 @ £41 per delegate.

No member expressed an interest in attending.

**134.7 Braintree District Local Plan Review**

Inspector's Report available for inspection.

**04/135 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2005.**

**JULY MEETING** - To agree change of date from 4<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>.

Cllr Pat Roberts kindly agreed to take the minutes at the meeting so that it could remain on the 4<sup>th</sup> July.

**04/136 CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 9:00 p.m.

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

**CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL**

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