

RAYNE PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY, 6th FEBRUARY 2006**

PRESENT: Councillor Michael Bamford
Adam Bulkeley
Harold Giles
Roger Jiggins
Kate Kukiewicz
Ian MacNee
Martyn Phillips
Pat Roberts
Diane Shepherd

Also in Attendance: District Cllr Banthorpe
Matt Wilson – Ranger, Flitch Way
4 members of the public

PUBLIC FORUM

Planning Application 06/00129/FUL – The applicants gave a brief description of the planning application.

Flitchway – Matt Wilson reported the following:

- Ø Friends of the Flitchway Group have held their first AGM.
- Ø Contract has been awarded for the gates and structures and it is anticipated the work will start in the next few weeks.
- Ø Waymarking Scheme – Markers installed and maps being produced.
- Ø Office – Moving to Takely, however the station will remain open.
- Ø Grant obtained to remodel the current Rangers office.

District Councillor Report – Cllr Banthorpe reported the following:

- Ø Weight Limit in Queenborough Lane – To be in place by end March.
- Ø Phillips Road Development – Have spoken to residents regarding their concerns and also had a meeting with the developer.

Parish Plan – Mr Bulkeley issued the completed Plan to the Parish Council.

05/120 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllr Joanne Fish, Cllr John Wootton and County Cllr Walters.

**05/121 CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 9th JANUARY 2006**

It was Proposed Cllr Diane Shepherd, Seconded Cllr Michael Bamford and unanimously Resolved to accept the minutes as an accurate record.

05/122 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Roger Jiggins declared a Personal Interest in Item 125.8 (Affordable Housing) as a landowner.

Cllr Adam Bulkeley and Cllr Kate Kukiewicz declared Personal interests in Planning Application CC/BTE/05/06 and CC/BTE/17/06 as Governors.

Cllr Martyn Phillips and Cllr Harold Giles declared Personal interests in Planning Application 06/00129/FUL as they knew the applicants.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct, all Councillors remained in the meeting, unless stated otherwise, and took part in the discussion for all the above items and the vote thereon.

05/123 BDC MATTERS

123.1 Planning Applications

06/00110/FUL - Common Farm, Long Lane - Erection of two storey side extension (Revised).
It was unanimously Resolved to Support this application.

06/00127/FUL - Three Elms, Queenborough Lane - Construction of swimming pool and pool room (Revised).

It was unanimously Resolved to Object to this application as it is outside the village envelope.

06/00129/FUL - Builders Yard, School Road - Erection of single storey office building.

It was Proposed Cllr Diane Shepherd, Seconded Cllr Adam Bulkeley and Resolved 7 For with 2 Abstentions to Support this application.

06/00025/ELD - The Caravan, Rayne Riding School, Fairy Hall Lane - Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use (Use of land for stationing of caravan for residential purposes).

It was Proposed Cllr Pat Roberts, Seconded Cllr Harold Giles and Resolved 8 For, 1 Against to Object to this application on the grounds that there has not been continuous use on the site.

06/00072/AGR - Villa Farm, School Road - Erection of general purpose agricultural building.

It was Proposed Cllr Adam Bulkeley, Seconded Cllr Pat Roberts and unanimously Resolved to Object to this retrospective application on the grounds that the size of the holding does not justify the size of the building.

CC/BTE/05/06 - Rayne Primary School - Construction of 3 new classrooms and canopy (removal of 3 temporary classrooms), as well as hall, kitchen, toilets and stores to be available for community use with remodelling of hard court, relocation of 1 parking space and 1 new parking space.
It was Proposed Cllr Diane Shepherd, Seconded Cllr Ian MacNee and Resolved 7 For with 2 Abstentions to Support this application.

CC/BTE/17/06 - Rayne Primary School - Provision of new temporary classroom unit for duration of associated construction works.

It was unanimously Resolved to Support this application.

123.2 Planning Results

The following application has been GRANTED:

05/01946/FUL - 3 Wales Cottages, The Street - Erection of two storey side and rear extension and front porch.

The following applications have been REFUSED:

05/01816/FUL - Land adj. The Cottage, Shalford Road - Erection of detached dwelling, new garage and new access.

05/02131/FUL - Three Elms, Queenborough Lane - Construction of swimming pool and pool room.

05/02200/FUL - Rayne Foundry - Erection of 46 dwellings, access, car parking and landscaping.

- Ø Minor Amendment - Spinners, Little Common Lane (04/01505/FUL) - Increase in roof pitch on the 'catslide' dormers - Noted.
- Ø Bakersfield Development - Information received from BDC - Noted.
- Ø Inconsistency of Planning Decisions - Response received from BDC - It was agreed to discuss this further at the next meeting.

05/124 ROADS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

124.1 Street Lighting

Cllr Ian MacNee reported lamp No.22 New Road not working.

124.2 Policing Issues

Written report received from PC Keaney indicating that she will no longer be the officer from Rayne after February. It was agreed to write to PC Keaney thanking her for the dedication shown to the village and to establish who would replace her.

124.3 Queenborough Lane - Speeding

Response received from ECC – stating they will undertake a speed survey and report back with the results.

124.4 Parking by the Allotments

Cllr Martyn Phillips reported that residents are parking vehicles on the grass verges, which is causing damaging. It was agreed to write to the individuals requesting they refrain from parking here and reinstate the verges.

124.5 Salting (New Road/School Road/Shalford Road)

Cllr Roger Jiggins reported these roads should be salted as they have become feeder roads since the construction of the A120 – it was agreed to write to ECC.

124.6 Shalford Road - Condition of Road

Cllr Harold Giles reported the road condition is worsening and it was agreed to write to ECC requesting a resurfacing programme.

05/125 RAYNE'S ENVIRONMENT

125.1 Footpaths

Members noted Cllr Adam Bulkeley is starting the process of mapping the footpaths with a view to producing a guide for walkers.

125.2 Engaging with the Youth of the Village

It was reported that texts can be made to the office landline – it was agreed to advertise this service.

125.3 Gore Corner - Ownership of Land

Members noted that the solicitor has advised that, as the Parish Council own the land; they will need to apply for a Statutory Declaration for the missing Deeds. Information received from Cllr Harold Giles that would assist in the approach to the builders' relations.

125.4 Assistant Groundsman Vacancy

No applications received. It was agreed to continue advertising locally and at the Annual Parish Assembly.

125.5 Dog Fouling

Following increasing instances of dog fouling in the village, the following actions were agreed:

- Ø Request increased patrols from the Dog Warden.
- Ø Produce a map of the dog bins, to be kept in the CIP, asking residents to indicate where they believe further bins are required, with a view to purchasing additional bins.

125.6 Parish Plan

Cllr Adam Bulkeley officially handed over the finalised Plan. All Councillors offered their congratulations for overseeing the project.

Next Agenda: Parish Council to adopt the Action Plan.

Sports/Playing Field Extension – Cllr Martyn Phillips reported he has been in contact with the Trustees of the field regarding the Parish Council possibly leasing the field. It was agreed to approach an architect for a project costs, with a view to applying for a grant to cover a feasibility study.

125.7 Litter Bin at Barrack Yard

Following reports of the bin being used for residential rubbish, Cllr Harold Giles agreed to make enquires for further discussion at the next meeting.

125.8 Affordable Housing

Letter from a resident discussed – it was agreed to respond that the Parish Council accept there is a need for affordable housing and that potential homes are being provided as part of the Foundry development.

05/126 FINANCE

- 126.1 £26.32 Just Lamps – Lighting Maintenance (Jan)
- 126.2 £352.73 Mrs Whiteside – Clerks Salary (Jan)
- 126.3 £17.63 Acumen – Wages Services (Jan)
- 126.4 £72.57 E-On Energy – Quarterly Energy Charge
- 126.5 £27.60 F.A. Jiggins & Sons - Rope
- 126.6 £1,028.00 M&B Printing Solutions – Parish Plan
- 126.7 £411.25 Lubbock Fine – Audit Fee (04/05)

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

126.8 Village Hall – Electrical Works

Firm quotation received from Duotec: It was Proposed Cllr Roger Jiggins, Seconded Cllr Harold Giles and unanimously Resolved to accept the quotes received, opting for the 1.75kw hand dryers.

05/127 MEETINGS / SEMINARS / CONSULTATIONS

127.1 Circulation Folder

Cllr Phillips informed members of interesting/relevant items.

127.2 Health Issues

Cllr Ian MacNee reported on the recent Primary Care Trust meeting.

127.3 Annual Parish Meeting – Annual Report

Annual Report – Draft items tabled – Any amendments/additions to be forwarded to the Clerk.

127.4 Business Community Management Presentation – BDC

Invitation to attend – Any Councillor wishing to attend to inform the Clerk.

127.5 Rural Communities Development Fund 2006/07

Advance notice of funding received – Noted.

05/128 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, 6th March 2006.**

05/129 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 9:35 p.m.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL