

## RAYNE PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2005

**PRESENT:** Councillor Michael Bamford  
Jessica Dawson  
Harold Giles  
Roger Jiggins (Chair)  
Ian MacNee  
Pat Roberts  
John Wootton

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

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

##### **Police Report**

PC Keaney informed members of the number of incidents relating to the village during April and May. It was also reported the plain-clothes officers have issued 3 warnings to motorbike riders along the Flitch Way.

##### **Planning Application - 3 The Ruskins**

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#### **PARK**

Members were informed of the upcoming Murder Mystery evening.

#### **Parish Plan**

It was reported that questionnaires are being returned and volunteers have started to input the data for analysis. It is hoped the interim report will be available in August.

#### **Verges**

A resident expressed concern that a number of verges have recently been cut, destroying a variety of flora. He now accepts this work was undertaken by ECC, not the parish groundsman but added the Parish Council should be looking at ways to ensure this does not happen again next year.

#### **District Councillor Report**

Foundry Site - No response has been received from the Planning department on matters relating to the foundry but it was reported that Fairview have yet to finalise a deal with the landowner.  
Village Design Statement - A village walkabout has been arranged for 5<sup>th</sup> July.

#### **05/26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllr Diane Shepherd, Cllr Martyn Phillips and Cllr Kate Kukiewicz.

#### **05/27 CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2005**

It was Proposed Cllr Ian MacNee, Seconded Cllr Pat Roberts and unanimously Resolved to accept the minutes as a true record - they were subsequently signed by the Chairman.

## **05/28 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

## **05/29 BDC MATTERS**

### **29.1 Planning Applications**

It was unanimously agreed to Support the following applications:

05/01008/FUL - 1 The Ruskins - Erection of two storey side extension.

05/00994/FUL - Paddock House, 3 The Ruskin's - Proposed two storey extension to side and internal alterations.

### **29.2 Planning Results**

The following applications have been GRANTED:

05/00464/FUL - 55-57 Shalford Road - Proposed two storey extension to 55 and two storey side and rear extension to 57.

05/00568/FUL - 22 The Maltings - Proposed two-storey rear extension and front porch extension.

05/00544/ELD - 25 Medley Road - Application for a Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use - Extension to front porch and conservatory/utility room to rear.

05/00384/FUL - Broadfield Farm - Retrospective application for change of use to B1/B8, and to remove planning condition restricting use of stables to a personal use.

05/00312/FUL - 1 Elm Walk - Erection of two storey side extension.

## **05/30 ROADS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

### **30.1 Street Lighting**

To report any lights currently out of action - No.3 Station Road.

Street Lighting Maintenance Agreement - Notice of termination received together with quotation from alternative contractor. It was Proposed Cllr Harold Giles, Seconded Cllr John Wootton and unanimously Resolved to accept the quotation from Just Lamps UK, with payment by 12 monthly instalments.

### **30.2 Policing Issues**

Damage to Pump - Village Green. Letter received from the person involved in the accident stating the fence was in need of repair and that he would be willing to pay a percentage of the costs for this.

However, members agreed the state of the fence was not an issue and that the Parish Council should proceed with the insurance claim.

### **30.3 Foundry Site**

Cllr Roger Jiggins stated the Parish Council should have the opportunity to comment on the detailed plans, although the planners have not reached this stage yet.

Information received from ECC that £30,000 have been discussed for traffic calming in Brunwin Road as part of the S.106 agreement. Members agreed traffic calming was required but that the Parish Council should not commit itself to one particular scheme at this stage.

### **30.4 Speeding Motorbikes in Dunmow Road**

Cllr John Wootton reported a large number of motorbikes have been congregating at The Cock - this is causing a problem to residents as most enter and exit the village via Dunmow Road, some at considerable speed.

As it is believed this is to become a regular, monthly, event, Cllr Harold Giles agreed to speak to the Landlord asking that the riders observe the speed limits. Next Agenda.

### **30.5 Highways Issues - Footway / Pelican Crossing / 50mph Limit**

50mph along Dunmow Road - It was agreed to respond that the Parish Council wish to pursue this change to the current limit.

Footway along Shalford Road – There is a possibility that the Parish could fund this if changes are made to the route and surface of the footpath. A site meeting will be held shortly to discuss this.

Pelican Crossing – ECC have agreed to put this scheme into the Locally Determined Programme.

### **30.6 Road Traffic Act – School Keep Clear Restrictions**

Draft Order and Statement of Reasons received – Members fully support this initiative.

## **05/31 RAYNE'S ENVIRONMENT**

### **31.1 Gore Corner – Ownership of Land**

Cllr Roger Jiggins reported he has found evidence in previous minutes that confirm the Parish Council owns this land, however the Clerk has been unable to locate the deeds. The following were agreed:

- Ø Contact EALC requesting legal advice from NALC.
- Ø Contact Barclays to see if deeds are under a different name.
- Ø Contact the Law Society for details of the solicitors.

#### Overgrown Footpaths

Following a report of overgrown footpaths along School Road, Clerk to contact ECC requesting they be cleared.

#### Verge Cutting over Century Bridge

Following information that ECC cut the verge, Clerk to write to the Protected Verges Officer and ECC requesting a site visit.

## **05/32 FINANCE**

32.1	£42.00	Mrs Pertwee – Flowers for War Memorial
32.2	£352.73	Mrs Whiteside – Clerks Salary (May)
32.3	£17.63	Acumen Wages Service (May)
32.4	£222.44	Mr Peake – Groundsman (Apr)
32.5	£108.00	Mr Peake - Petrol
32.6	£264.38	MSS Alarms – Annual Maintenance
32.7	£41.00	EALC – Planning Course
32.8	£378.44	EW Mowers - Repair
32.9	£3.53	Cllr Phillips – Reimbursement (Disks)
32.10	£210.07	JLA Computers – Hard Drive & Installation
32.11	£17.63	Acumen Wages Services (Apr)

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

### **32.12 Village Design Statement**

To agree payment of £15.00 – OSR Hire – for VDS Public Meeting.  
Proposed Cllr Ian MacNee, Seconded Cllr Harold Giles – Resolved.

### **32.13 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS for Year Ending 31 March 2005**

To agree Accounts and sign Statement of Assurance.  
Proposed Cllr Ian MacNee, Seconded Cllr Mike Bamford – Resolved.

### **32.14 Rural Communities Development Fund**

Cllr Ian MacNee Proposed applying for a grant to fund the purchase of a “net mountain” for the playing field, however following safety concerns raised by other members it was subsequently agreed to apply for funding to purchase CCTV for the village hall (Proposed Cllr Harold Giles, Seconded Cllr John Wootton).

Basketball Court – Cllr Ian MacNee reported he has received a quote to tarmac a court area, including underneath the youth shelter, of £2,300, together with a quote for the basketball hoop of £350. The Parish Council further agreed to the purchase of a kicking wall linked to the basketball hoop and Cllr MacNee will research possible funding options.

**32.15 Computer Hard Drive**

Following the hard drive failure and subsequent loss of data, Cllr John Wootton Proposed the purchase of an additional hard drive for backup purposes – Seconded by Cllr Harold Giles and unanimously Resolved. It was also agreed not to accept the quote of £700 to retrieve the lost data.

**05/33 MEETINGS / SEMINARS / CONSULTATIONS**

**33.1 Circulation Folder**

Cllr Roger Jiggins informed members of interesting/relevant items.

**33.2 Health Issues**

No issues to report.

**33.3 Village Hall Liaison Meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> May**

Minutes circulated for information.

Safety Sign – Following reports of problems faced by hirers due to the sign by the ramp stating the hall has public toilets and telephone, Cllr Ian MacNee agreed to tape over this line on the sign.

**33.4 BDC Activity Days Summer 2005**

Invitation to be part of this initiative – Clerk to pass information onto Village Hall Committee.

**33.5 Cluster Meeting**

Great Notley PC is to host the next meeting. There were no items raised for inclusion onto the agenda.

**05/34 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2005.**

**05/35 CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 9:10 p.m.