

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF RISLEY WITH HOPWELL PARISH COUNCIL

held in the Risley Village Memorial Hall on Monday, 12 October 2020

Present: Cllrs P Ancliff, S Jarratt and P McKeown

In attendance: S Dunkley (Clerk)

Cllr S Jarratt (Chairman) in the Chair

The Clerk asked all attendees to sign the attendance sheet in accordance with the procedures for track and trace and, if they had a smartphone, to confirm attendance via the NHS barcode displayed on the door. She also reiterated that a risk assessment had been carried out for this meeting.

Part 1 – Non confidential information

20-035 Apologies

Apologies for absence were given for Parish Councillors J Hitchcock, B Housley and M O'Neill Borough Councillors V Clare and T Scott and County Councillor W Major.

20-036 Variation of order of business

None required.

20-037 Declarations of interest

Declarations of interest to be given during the course of the meeting as required.

20-038 Dispensations

None required.

20-039 Public session

1) Members of the Public

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

2) Reports from Councillors appointed to outside bodies

(a) Nothing to be reported.

3) Reports from the Police Liaison Officer, County Council and Borough Council

(a) Cllr McKeown gave a verbal report on behalf of the Police Liaison Officer. There have been four 101 calls from the village over the last month. Although it would seem that the bus stop opposite the Forge is being used as a drop off/collection point, the previous drug activity has dropped off and hopefully this is a sign of improvement.

(b) The borough report submitted by Cllr Scott on behalf of Cllr Clare and himself had been circulated to members for their attention. Noted.

(c) No report received for the County Council.

4) Reports and updates from Parish Councillors

- i) Cllr McKeown reported that six speedwatch sessions have been held over the past month resulting in 41 vehicles being reported mostly on Rushy Lane and Bostocks Lane. 10% of the vehicles which have been reported so far are local drivers.
- ii) Cllr Ancliff reported on a conservation matter which had been raised by a resident. It is a concern of the Parish Council and the Conservation Group that the work at The Old Post Office may have a detrimental effect on the existing flooding problems which already exist. It was RESOLVED to express concerns to the County Council's flooding team as well as to Borough Councillors Clare and Scott.

20-040 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 8 September 2020

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 8 September 2020 were proposed as a true record by Cllr McKeown, seconded by Cllr Ancliff and signed by the Chairman.

20-041 Exempt items

None.

20-042 Chairman's announcements/report

The Chairman reported on the ongoing issue with SSE regarding the power supply to the information point. An update will be given at the next meeting.

20-043 Clerk's report

The Clerk's report had been circulated prior to the meeting, the content of which were noted. She further reported on an issue which had been brought to her attention by several residents of Rushy Lane with regards to the parking of coaches and cars whilst collecting children from Friesland School. Several driveways are being blocked making access and egress difficult for residents. This has been reported to the School but it was recommended by Cllr McKeown that residents should report parked vehicles that were causing an obstruction to 101 giving full vehicle details (make, model, colour, registration number). The Police traffic team would then respond accordingly.

20-044 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

74th Annual General Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 20 October 2020 via Zoom. Noted.

20-045 Matters for determination

- a) The Clerk updated the parish council on the possible venues for future meetings. Unfortunately, all the venues suggested at the previous meeting are unable to assist at this present time and no reply had been received from The Risley Park. A quotation from the Holiday Inn was received for £95.00 per meeting. It was RESOLVED to try the Risley Lower Grammar School and failing that, for the time being, all future meetings would be held by Zoom or Teams and that a 'dummy run' would be set up prior to the next meeting just to make sure it would work for all the members. This was due to Covid and not being able to find suitable premises.
- b) (Cllr McKeown declared a prejudicial interest in the next item):
The Clerk reported that four expressions of interest had been received for the two vacancies on the parish council. It was therefore necessary to hold an informal meeting with all interested parties prior to the matter being discussed at a future

- parish council meeting. It was RESOLVED that as there would only be five councillors on the panel that it may be possible to hold this at Harrisons Cottage and the Clerk was asked to enquire on its availability. If the venue is not available or the COVID-19 guidelines change, then the meeting should be arranged to be held via Zoom/Teams.
- c) It had been resolved at the previous meeting that there could not be a switch-on ceremony for the Christmas Lights this year due to the pandemic and it was therefore agreed that the Chairman discuss a possible date for the lights to be switched on by the Village Hall Management Committee at its next meeting.
 - d) The Clerk reported that the grounds maintenance tender is due for renewal in April 2021 and ask whether the parish council wished to proceed with a formal tendering exercise or negotiate an extension of contract with the current contractor. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should update the job specification and forward to councillors in time for the November/December meeting.
 - e) The Clerk was asked to arrange for the land at the rear of the Village Hall to be strimmed.

20-046 Finance

(a) Accounts for payment

It was RESOLVED to approve the following payments:

Payee	Description	Total	VAT
S Dunkley	Reimbursement for defibrillator pads	£106.19	£17.70
Jenson Press Printers	Newsletters	£99.00	-
Salary/expenses (Sept)		£308.40	-
HMRC	PAYE (Sept)	£63.60	
Risley Village Memorial Hall	Room Hire	£25.00	
Shed Grounds Maintenance	Mowing	£577.48	£96.20

(b) Receipts:

- £4,215.00 – 3rd quarter precept and concurrent
- £ 650.83 - VAT reimbursement
- £ 0.02 - Bank Interest
- £ 3.45 - Wayleave agreement – Western Power

20-047 Playground inspections

The report for September was given by Cllr Ancliff. Matters arising:

- Again, dog faeces inside the play area
- large amount of litter
- The den in the north-western corner of the field is again being used
- The cut through to Friesland has returned
- Majority of the bird spikes on the swings have broken and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should order metal spikes in future and to get these fixed with cable ties.
- It was noted that part of the hedge running alongside Second Avenue has been cut by the resident with the cuttings left on the playing field.

