

MEETING OF ROPSLEY & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Ropsley & District Parish Council Meeting** held in the Memorial Hall, Ropsley on Thursday, 8 November 2018

Cllrs present: Cllr P Buckley – Chair, Cllr A Sentence, Cllr A Marshall, Cllr G Reeves, Cllr N Gosbee, Cllr J Leslie, Cllr Rowbotham Cllr K Porter and Mr Adrian Illingworth – Clerk.

Also, in attendance: Cllr V Lowndes – Chairman, Old Somerby and Dist. Cllr P Stephens

Chair welcomed all present

Meeting started 19.02pm

Public Forum: No members of the public present

2 APOLOGIES (18/420)

No apologies received from County Cllr M Hill

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS (18/421)

Cllr G Reeves declared an interest in point 10.5 regarding a donation for Ropsley Colts

4 SIGNING OF THE NOTES (18/422)

Council resolved to approve the notes of the meeting, held on the 13 September, to be a true and accurate reflection of the meetings. The Chair signed the notes.

5.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (18/423)

5.1 The Chair again asked for nominations for position of Vice – chair. No names put forward. To be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

6.0 REPORT FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY CLLRS (18/424)

Report given by Cllr Stephens.

Cllr Stephens reported on issues in selling retail units in the new cinema complex in Grantham and this, and the state of the retail market generally, is influencing sentiment and therefore the viability of the new Spittlegate retail outlet village beside the A1. This in turn affects the funding and thus the viability and therefore timing of the construction of the new bypass.

Cllr Stephens informed the meeting his speciality was planning. He would be happy to help in discussions with the LPA on any planning issues.

The Cllr left the meeting at 19.22

7.0 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (18/425)

Update given by the Cllr Buckley. Next meeting scheduled for the 12 November to draw together information for the draft plan. Cllr V Lowndes willing to share Old Somerby's draft with Council. Chair thank her.

8.0 HIGHWAYS (18/426)

8.1 The Council resolved not to take up grass cutting within the village, but for LCC to continue amenity cuts

8.2 A walkabout had taken place on the 2 November with Rowan Smith – LCC Highways. Cllrs present: P Buckley, N Gosbee and M Rowbotham. Several issues were raised which are to be addressed by Rowan Smith. These included drains, road repairs in the district and new signing to control traffic speed.

Flower boxes are to be placed at the entrance to the village. Clerk to contact Highways to confirm this can be done.

The meeting of the Council was closed at 19.18 to hear the presentation from Mrs C Reeves for funding for Ropsley Colts. After discussion the Council resolved to donate £380.

Meeting re-opened 19.22.

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8.3 No further matters.

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9.0 PLANNING (18/427)

9.1 The following application had been received, with no comments being made by the Council:

- 9.1.1 S18/1553 Manor House – Replacement of windows to a listed property
- 9.1.2 S18/1821 Glebe Farm – Erection of porch, detached garages and engine workshop.
- 9.1.3 S18/1894 8-10 Chapel Lane – Trees in Conservation Area.

9.2 The following application was passed:

S18/1569 Humby Turkey Unit – Erection of Agricultural building

9.3 Update on the development of the Ropsley Fox given. Potential developer still investigating the feasibility of the site and had confirmed they were looking into the protective covenants for TPO's and they would adhere to any conditions in the development of the site.

All applications can be viewed on SKDC's web site.

10.0 FINANCE (18/428)

10.1 To note income received:

Monument Fee	75.00
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10.2 To approve the following payments:

10.2.1 Subscription to CPRE	36.00
10.2.2 N Gosbee – Fuel	41.44
10.2.3 Ropsley Parochial Church Council	300.00

Council resolved to approve all payments.

10.3 Council resolved to approve income and expenditure account and bank reconciliation.

10.4 Council did not approve transfer from reserves to Current Account. It was resolved to ask the Clerk to obtain a new signatory form from Melton Mowbray.

10.5 Council resolved to make a payment of £380 towards the purchase of new goal posts for Ropsley Colts.

Ropsey Baboons had received a contribution last year, which was not used. As a result, Council resolved not to make any further payment.

10.6 Carried forward to next meeting

11.0 DEFIB UPDATE (18/429)

Cllr Rowbotham gave a brief report. All defibs are now in place. Training has been arranged for 27 November, to take place in the school starting at 7.30. Numbers limited to 50 persons. The telephone box needs painting. Paint to be provided but volunteers required.

The cost of a new defib for Braceby to be discussed at the next meeting

12.0 MATTERS AFFECTING THE VILLAGE (18/430)

12.1 No further disturbances had occurred in the village.

12.2 Council resolved not to appoint a Snow Warden but agreed to ask for three grit bins for the district.

12.3 Donation to Royal British Legion to be addressed at the next meeting

12.4 Ash die back raised by the Chair and its impact this could have on Ropsley District. To be placed on the next agenda.

12.5 Further damage has been reported to the gate at Ropsley Rise Wood. The Parish Council have informed the Forestry Commission and are liaising with them to resolve this.

13.0 CORRESPONDANCE (18/431)

Clerk read out email received from LCC Fire and Rescue regarding a new emergency text alert system. The council resolved to take up the offer of joining. Cllr Marshall to act as Primary Contact, Cllr Reeves to act as secondary contact. Clerk to submit details.

14.0 NEXT MEETING (18/432)

The next meeting Thursday 10 January 2019 at 7.00pm

