

# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF RISLEY WITH HOPWELL PARISH COUNCIL

held at Harrison's Cottage on Thursday 11 May 2017 at 7.00pm

**Present:** Cllrs P Ancliff, J Hitchcock, R Hobbs, B Housley, S Jarratt,  
F Jones and M O'Neill

**In attendance:** County Councillor W Major and S Dunkley (Clerk)

## Part 1 – Non confidential information

### 17-01 Apologies

Apologies were received from Parish Councillor D Rhodes and Borough Councillor V Clare.

### 17-02 Election of Chairman for 2017-18

The Clerk called for nominations to the post of Chairman of the Parish Council. Following a proposal of Councillor P Ancliff by Councillor Jones which was seconded by Councillor Hobbs, it was unanimously agreed that Councillor Ancliff should continue as Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing year. Councillor Ancliff signed the declaration of office.

### 17-03 Election of Vice-Chairman for 2017-18

The Chairman called for nominations to the post of Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council. Following a proposal by Councillor R Hobbs which was seconded by Councillor Jarratt, it was unanimously agreed that Councillor O'Neill should continue as Vice-Chair of the Parish Council for the ensuing year. Councillor O'Neill signed the declaration of office.

### 17-04 Appointment/confirmation of representatives to other bodies for 2017-2018

- a) Risley Educational Foundation – Councillor O'Neill's term was still running
- b) Risley Village Hall – as Councillor Rhodes had confirmed that he wished to step down as the Parish Council's representative on the management committee, Councillor Hitchcock asked for more information on what was involved and, if he was able, he would volunteer for this position.
- c) Campaign for the Protection of Rural England – it was unanimously agreed that Councillor Housley should be the Parish Council's representative
- d) Willoughby Trust – Councillor Ancliff to continue as the Parish Council's representative

**17-05 Declarations of interest**

None required.

**17-06 Variation of business**

None required.

**17-07 Dispensations**

None.

**17-08 Public session**

1) Public

None

2) Councillors appointed to outside bodies

None.

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

a) Police report (received by the Clerk):

Dwelling burglary on Derby Road between 23 March and 5 May.

b) County Councillor Major confirmed that following the recent election there has been a change of administration at County Hall with the Conservative Group taking charge and managing to get initial pledges carried out. The proposed charges for recycling have been reversed and old systems will be brought back into use which includes a seven day response timescale for complaints and requests. It will take some time but this will happen.

c) No report from our Borough Councillors.

**17-09 Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 13 April 2016**

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 13 April 2016 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

**17-10 Exempt items**

None.

**17-11 Chairman's announcements/report**

The Chairman reported that the work to the ditch had been completed and everything was in order.

**17-12 Clerk's report**

a) Two of the Parish Council's hanging baskets will be sponsored in memory of Mr Mick Grundy with special thanks for his work in the village. This will be at no extra cost.

- b) The Clerk had written to British Telecom regarding the removal of the telephone box at First Avenue.
- c) A further supply of bird spikes for the top of the swings has arrived and the Chairman was to ask Mr Ainsworth if he was able to install.

**17-13 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

Circular No. 06/2017 had been circulated to all members for noting only.

**17-14 Matters for determination**

- a) It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council would take part in this year's Autumn Footprints Walking Festival.
- b) It was RESOLVED to order a double sided sign from Plantscape with the wording 'Hopwell in the Parish of Risley with Hopwell' and to rent a planted window box to be attached. This to be located in the lay-by near to Cllr Hitchcock.
- c) A quotation had been received regarding the stoning of footpaths in the parish and it was RESOLVED to carry out this work in phases with work at the field entry to the Nature Reserve being the first to be carried out.
- d) A discussion was held regarding the grounds maintenance contract. It was RESOLVED that the frontage to the Village Hall should not have been included in the contract and that the verges at Second Avenue should have been included. The Clerk was asked to contact the new contractor to take off the mowing at the Village Hall and to substitute with the verges on Second Avenue with immediate effect.
- e) Further to the request for football to be playing on the play area, it was agreed that the Parish Council should encourage this and that the club in question be allowed to use the area for their summer football at no cost.

**17-15 Finance**

It was resolved that the following payments be made:

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
002074	Risley Village Memorial Hall (replacement for cheque no. 002071)	£4,580.50
002075	Mrs S Dunkley (Salary and expenses)	£256.97
002076	Erewash Borough Council (Repair to swing – VAT £33.65)	£201.89
002077	Mr S Bilbie (Works to ditch)	£875.00
Direct debit	HMRC (PAYE)	£ 52.80
Direct debit	ICO (Information Commissioner's Office) (Data Protection License)	£ 35.00

There were no receipts.

Renewal of Insurance

It was RESOLVED that the Clerk obtain a second quotation as a comparison.

The Clerk was asked to enquire about the Village Hall AGM and to request a copy of their accounts.

**17-16 Playground inspections**

The inspection had been carried out by Councillor Jarratt with no particular problems to report.

**17-17 Planning**

The Clerk reported on the receipt of planning application no. ERE/0517/0015 for a front porch and rear balcony with folding doors at Golden Brook Farm, Derby Road, Risley. Unfortunately there were no documents on the Borough Council's website. There were no objections.

Decision – 8 Yew Tree Cottage, Derby Road – works to protect sycamore tree (approved with conditions).

**17-18 Matters for information**

- a) Community Litter Pick to be held on Saturday, 20 May 2017 commencing at 10.00am – notices had been placed in the noticeboards
- b) Speedwatch – the event in June has been postponed to a later date

**17-19 Future agenda items**

- a) Approval of 2016/2017 finances and annual return
- b) Donations to groups and organisations
- c) Big Lottery application and play equipment for play area

**17-20 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting is to be held on the revised date of 15 June 2017 owing to the General Election.

**Part 2 – Confidential information**

**17-21 Confidential items**

None

The meeting closed at 8.23pm.