

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF RISLEY WITH HOPWELL PARISH COUNCIL

held at Harrison's Cottage on Thursday, 13 October 2016 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllrs P Ancliff (Chair), J Hitchcock, R Hobbs, B Housley, S Jarratt,
F Jones, M O'Neill and D Rhodes

In attendance: Sue Dunkley (Clerk) and eight residents

Part 1 – Non confidential information

16-150 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor V Clare and Councillor W Major.

16-151 Variation of business

As residents were in attendance to speak on the planning application for outline permission for the erection of nine properties on land at the rear of 48 Derby Road, it was RESOLVED to bring Item 14(a) forward.

Residents informed the Parish Council that a petition had been raised in objection to the proposals, a copy of which will be given to the Parish Council. Several residents gave their concerns with the proposals including over intensification, the adverse impact on amenities, the effect on privacy on their properties, problems with access and egress and drainage.

Following discussion, it was moved by Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Housley and RESOLVED by the Parish Council to object to the proposals raising the following points:

- a) The proposed development, by reason of its size, would have an unacceptably adverse impact on the amenities of the properties on Second Avenue immediately adjacent to the site by reason of overlooking, noise nuisance and loss of privacy
- b) Local knowledge informs us that the east end of the garden of Tig Na Rosen is subject to flooding in heavy rain. Standing water has been observed in winter. Recent removal of trees from the garden can only exacerbate this
- c) At the east side of the present gateway is a manhole cover for foul drainage. The knowledge of a neighbour this has overflowed on three occasions necessitating in calling Severn Trent Water as sewage was on the public footpath
- d) It is not clear who would be responsible for boundary maintenance along the access road in relation to No. 48 Derby Road and Vivod
- e) The site access proposals are not in accordance with acceptable standards, being insufficient (less than 5m) width and would lead to potential safety hazards.

There is no walkway provision for pedestrians particularly children, mobility vehicles and wheelchairs

- f) There is the potential for conflict between vehicles leaving and entering the site, which could lead to holding up traffic on Derby Road – a 40mph road
- g) The passage of vehicles, particularly refuse and delivery lorries, so close to the property walls of Nos. 48 and 46 is an unacceptable nuisance
- h) Not more than one property should have access to the western bridleway as is the situation at present because of the very restricted visibility for vehicles exiting onto Derby Road.

It was also agreed to ask Councillor Clare, Ward Councillor to request that this application should be put to the Planning Committee for a decision should officer recommendation be to approve.

16-152 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest to be made.

16-153 Dispensations

None

16-154 Public session

- 1) Public
As above
- 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):
Criminal damage to a motorbike on Derby Road, Risley.
 - b) County Councillor report
None
 - c) Borough Councillor report
None

16-155 Minutes of previous meetings

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 8 September were proposed by Councillor Hobbs, seconded by Councillor Jones and it was RESOLVED that these be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

16-156 Exempt items

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted under Part 2 (Report on the Clerk's Appraisal) it was RESOLVED that any press and members of the public should be instructed to withdraw.

16-157 Chair's announcements/report

The Chair's gave her report to the meeting. The Clerk was asked to contact the contractor to ask when the final cut will be carried out to the verges in order that the crocus bulbs may be planted.

16-158 Clerk's report

The Clerk's report had also been distributed and the contents noted. With regards to the Clerk's request to change the date of the Parish Council's meeting in order to make it easier for herself, after discussion it was RESOLVED that the meeting should remain as set on the second Thursday unless this clashes with her other responsibilities when the meeting date may be changed. The Clerk confirmed that she would look at dates for this year and 2017 and report back to the Parish Council.

16-159 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular No. 15/2016 had previously been circulated to Councillors for information and this will be refer to when the Parish Council is setting its budget for 2017/18.

16-160 Matters for determination

a) Rural Community Grant application

The Clerk confirmed that she was working with the Risley Cricket Club with regards to an application for funding under the Rural Community Grant for replacement of doors and windows at the Pavilion. As the Parish Council's next meeting will be after the deadline for receipt of the applications, it was RESOLVED that the Chairman would approve the application form prior to it being submitted to the Borough Council.

b) Use of play area

Complaints had been received regarding a small motorised vehicle being driven on the play area. It was agreed that this could cause damage to the grassed area and subsequently lead to an insurance claim on the Parish Council should someone be injured. It was agreed to add this as one of the prohibitions on the replacement signs.

c) Play area signs

A quotation had been received from a local supplier of signs for the replacement signs on the two entrances to the play area in the sum of £398.29 excl. VAT. It was RESOLVED to accept this quotation and requested that the text should include no horseriding or use of motorised vehicles allowed on the play area as well as no fouling. It was also RESOLVED to ask for a quotation for a sign on the gate to Rush Meadows reading No parking – access required at all times.

e) Hedge on play area

The Chairman reported that there were several self setting ash trees within the hedge on the play area. It was RESOLVED that these should be cut back and the stumps treated and the Clerk was asked to approach Premier Landscaping to carry out this work.

f) Vehicular activated signs

The email from the County Council regarding the vehicular activated signs had been distributed to all Councillors, the contents of which had reluctantly been noted.

g) Heritage Lottery Fund

The Clerk reported on an email received from the Borough Council regarding Heritage Lottery Funding which is available for certain projects within the Borough. The Clerk was asked to look into this further to see if any such projects exist within the Parish and report back to the Parish Council.

i) Snow Warden Scheme

The Clerk had received information on this year's Snow Warden Scheme from the County Council. As had previously been agreed at the annual meeting, Councillor Hitchcock had taken over the co-ordination of the scheme on behalf of the Parish Council and the Clerk to make arrangements for half a tonne of grit to be delivered and for the risk assessment and fit to participate forms to be completed and returned.

j) Christmas Tree

Councillor Hitchcock confirmed that he could supply the Christmas Tree this year. Councillor Rhodes agreed to speak to Mr Fogg regarding the collection and erection and the Clerk was also fasked to approach the Borough Council or a quote for carrying out this work.

16/161 Finance

It was RESOLVED that the following accounts be approved for payment:

<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001973	Grant Thornton (2015/16 Audit fee – VAT £20.00)	£120.00
001974	Mrs S Dunkley (Clerk's salary and expenses)	£260.40
001975	HMRC (PAYE tax)	£ 52.09
001976	Risley Village Hall (Deposit for hire of village hall for musical afternoon)	£ 10.00
001977	PCC All Saints Church, Risley (Hire of Harrison's Cottage April-September 2016)	£130.00

Receipts

£1.11 Bank Interest

£3.45 Wayleave Agreement

£60.00 Sponsorship of hanging basket by the Conservation Group

16-162 Playground Inspections

Councillor Jarratt had carried out the inspections during September and reported that the litter bins looked untidy and the grass was in need of cutting. The Chairman reported on the amount of litter on the larger play area and it was agreed that a litter pick should be undertaken at the same time as the inspections.

16-163 Planning

ERE/0916/0032 – 48 Derby Road, Risley (outline application for the erection of 9 dwellings with access being considered – appearance, landscaping, layout and scale reserved) – object for the reasons given above.

ERE/0916/0058 – 50 Derby Road, Risley (rear single storey extension) – no objection
Tree work at No. 48 Derby Road, Risley – the Chairman as Tree Warden has already responded.

Decisions

Golden Valley – refused

50 Derby Road – approved with conditions

Councillor Rhodes gave an update on the planning application in relation to the lighting at the Village Hall. Amendments to the proposals had been advised by the planning authority and once these had been arranged with the contractor, a further application will be submitted.

16-164 Matters for information

- a) An email had been received from the County Council regarding an 'external venue tender exercise. This to be forwarded to the Village Hall Management Committee and the Church.
- b) The Christmas Lights are to be switched on on 13 December 2016 – the Clerk was asked to get in touch with the Salvation Army to ask whether the Band could attend.
- c) A meeting is to be held on 9 November 2016 regarding the possible Community Speedwatch Scheme. Posters will be displayed on the noticeboards and flyers posted to properties on Derby Road.
- d) Risley Community Gardens at the Risley Hall Estate had won first prize in the Erewash in Bloom competition.

16-165 Future agenda items

- Bus shelter – future
- Possible sign for Hopwell – future
- DCC consultation regarding school crossing patrols - future

16-166 Confidential information – exempt item

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public were excluded whilst the following business was conducted

Clerk's appraisal

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.