

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

held at Harrison's Cottage on Thursday 13 July 2017 at 7.00pm

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

**In attendance:** Cllr V Clare, Cllr W Mayor and S Dunkley (Clerk)

## Part 1 – Non confidential information

### 17-38 Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

### 17-39 Variation of order of business

Not required.

### 17-40 Declarations of interest

Councillor R Hobbs with regards to the proposed application for a Rural Community Grant on behalf of Risley PCC and Councillor Rhodes in relation to the Village Hall Management Committee.

### 17-41 Dispensations

None to be made.

### 17-42 Public session

- 1) Public  
No members of the public present.
- 2) Councillors appointed to outside bodies  
Nothing to report.
- 3) Reports from the Police Liaison Officer, County Council and Borough Council
  - a) There was no Police report on this occasion.
  - b)
    - i) Councillor Major reported that assessments were being carried out to buildings within the County following the Grenfill incident. There has been a programme of installing sprinklers and it is hoped to increase the number installed in due course.
    - ii) The County Council is to create 100 apprenticeship posts over 20 different professions.
    - iii) Resurfacing is due to be carried out at the Sandiacre/Risley crossroads, hopefully within the next month.
    - iv) A new community safety plan has been published by the County Council.

- v) It was pleasing to note that there have been more compliments than complaints in the last 10 months out of 12 months.
- vi) The Parish Council may wish to consider requesting a second dog bin on the play area as the current bin has been overflowing on occasions.
- c)
  - i) Councillor V Clare reported on a successful fly-tipping prosecution with the culprit having to pay £1,500. The incident was caught by a mobile camera installed at Stanton Gate. This made the local news and it was hoped will deter people.
  - ii) £70,000 of grants have been awarded to over 60 community projects by Erewash this year and it is hoped that it will be possible to carry out further awards in the future.
  - iii) Councillor Gerri Hickton has joined the Erewash Executive as Lead Member for Community Engagement.

**17-43 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 15 June 2017**

The minutes were proposed as a true record by Councillor Hobbs, seconded by Councillor Jarratt and signed by the Chairman.

**17-44 Exempt items**

None.

**17-45 Chairman's announcements/report**

The Chairman's report had been distributed prior to the meeting and was noted.

**17-46 Clerk's report**

The Clerk's report had been distributed prior to the meeting and was noted. She was given the code to enter the Village Hall for the Brass Afternoon in August.

**17-47 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils**

Circular No. 08/2017 had been circulated to all members for noting.

**17-48 Matters for determination**

- (a) The Clerk asked for permission to attend the DALC Finance for Clerks training session on 11 September at a cost of £60.00. This was APPROVED.
- (b) The Clerk reported on the quotation received from Sovereign Play Equipment for the proposed trim trail on the play area. It was RESOLVED to obtain a further quotation and to bring to the next meeting. On another matter, Councillor Jones reported that he had received complaints of noise emanating from the play area.
- (c) As approved at the last meeting, the Parish Council was to support the application for a Rural Community Support Grant by Risley PCC to replace the Willoughby Stone above the Church door. Councillor Hobbs reported on the difficulty in obtaining three quotations due to the specialised work involved but

was hopeful that these would be forthcoming in order to meet the deadline for receipt of applications. It was agreed that the Clerk would work with Councillor Hobbs to complete and return the application form by the deadline. It was also unanimously RESOLVED that the Parish Council would donate the sum of £500 towards the work.

- (d) Further to the removal of the branch to the cherry tree on Rush Meadow, two quotations had been sought for the felling of the tree. It was RESOLVED to accept the quotation from Canopy Tree Services to fell the tree to ground level and grind the stump. It was also RESOLVED to ask the contractor to obtain the necessary permission from the planning authority to reduce the height of the lime tree by approximately 3 metres and, once approved, to carry out the work.
- (e) A request had been received from Sandiacre Town Football Club to use the play area on First Avenue for matches on Saturday and Sundays. Following discussion, the Clerk was asked to enquire how many matches were to be played each day, at what times and the ages of the players. It was agreed that parking would be an issue and cars must be left on Derby Road and concern was raised that there were no facilities. It would be imperative that the Club had its own insurance and would carry out a health and safety assessment on the area. It was agreed that this would not be resolved by September, when they wished to start playing. The Clerk was asked to approach the grounds maintenance contractor and ask if they would be able to mark out the pitch should this request be approved.
- (f) The Clerk having obtained a price for the mowing at the Village Hall as requested at the previous meeting, there was further discussion with a suggestion that the Parish Council continues to pay for this under Precept. This was AGREED.

## 17-49 Finance

It was resolved that the following payments be made:

<u>Cheque No</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
002123	Risley Village Memorial Hall (Rural Community Grant for lighting)	£4,580.50
002124	Mrs S J Dunkley (Salary and expenses – June)	£ 229.14
002125	Risley Village Memorial Hall (Room Hire for Brass Band afternoon)	£ 65.00
002126	Long Eaton Silver Prize Band (Payment for Brass Band afternoon)	£ 200.00
002127	G Burley & Sons Limited (Grounds Maintenance – VAT £63.18)	£ 378.80
002128	HMRC (PAYE – June)	£ 50.20
002129	Moorleys Print and Publishing (printing of newsletter)	£ 67.50
002130	Mrs S J Dunkley	£ 201.04

002131	(Salary – July) HMRC (PAYE – July)	£ 50.20
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Receipts

£60.00 Hanging basket sponsorship

**17-50 Playground inspections**

The inspection for the month of June found a lot of litter and the dog bin was  $\frac{3}{4}$  full.

**17-51 Planning**

No applications had been received.

The Chairman also reported that the garage at 19c Derby Road, which should have been taken down, was still in place in the greenbelt. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should bring this to the attention of Building Enforcement.

Decisions

ERE/0517/0015 – Golden Brook Farm (front porch and rear balcony with folding doors) – Withdrawn

ERE/0517/0048 – 23 Derby Road, Risley (works to protected false Acacia Tree – remove crossed limb and dead branches overhanging bus stop) – approved with conditions. The Chairman reported that she has complained, as Tree Warden, to the planning authority as the Parish Council had not been consulted and no site notices had been displayed prior to the permission being granted. It was RESOLVED that the Clerk should write a letter of complaint to the Borough Council.

**17-52 Matters for information**

- a) Derbyshire Constabulary's Rural Policing Strategy – noted.
- b) Letters of thanks from FORSA, Risley Cricket and the Church for the donation.
- c) The Summer Newsletter was agreed and the Clerk is to arrange printing and distribution to Councillors.
- d) Steve Bilbie will continue with the footpath stoning vis paths at The Nook and Golf Course when weather permits.

**17-53 Future agenda items**

- a) New play equipment -future
- b) Possible sign/planter for Hopwell – 2018
- e) Gate for land behind Village Hall – future. The Clerk was asked to contact Jonathan Clownes again regarding the gate to the land at the rear of the Village Hall. However, a sign stating 'uneven ground and ditch' may be sufficient.
- c) Strimming at the rear of the Village Hall and on Breaston Lane as well as hedgecutting.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

