

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF RISLEY WITH HOPWELL PARISH COUNCIL

held in the Vine Meeting Room of the Risley Hall Hotel on Thursday 13 September 2018

Present: Cllrs P Ancliff, B Housley, F Jones, S Jarratt, M O'Neill and D Rhodes

In attendance: County Councillor W Mayor
One member of the public
Sue Dunkley (Clerk)

Councillor P Ancliff (Chairman) in the Chair

Part 1 – Non confidential information

18-52 Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received from Parish Councillors Hitchcock and Hobbs.

18-53 Variation of order of business

None required.

18-54 Declarations of interest

None required.

18-55 Dispensations

None.

18-56 Public session

1) Members of the Public

Nothing to report.

2) Reports from Councillors appointed to outside bodies

Risley Educational Foundation - Councillor O'Neill reported on the recent meeting of the Foundation when 32 grants were approved. Unfortunately none were requested from residents of Risley.

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

(a) A report had been received by the Clerk from PCSO K Pykett informing the Parish Council of four incidents which had been recorded since 23 July, one criminal damage; one non-dwelling burglary, one dwelling burglary and one assault.

PCSO Pykett also reported on the speedwatch session held on 9 September. Unfortunately no volunteers attended. Following discussion the clerk was asked to reply requesting future sessions when every endeavour will be made to make sure that sufficient volunteers attended in order to make the scheme worthwhile. The Parish Council was asked to report to the County Council the missing speed countdown sign coming into the village and also the speed signs coming from

Borrowwash which had been greyed out for some reason. The clerk was also asked to email Councillor Major when the report had been made.

- (b) i) Councillor Major reported on the decision made by the County Council to continue with the funding of school crossing patrols for the foreseeable future. It had been agreed that savings should be sought from elsewhere.
- ii) It was pleasing to note that school standards within Derbyshire have been improving over the last year with standards being above the national average.
- iii) Discussions were being held on whether it would be possible to exempt children coming out of care from the payment of council tax until they reach the age of 25 years. This will obviously relieve some of the financial pressures they will be under as they endeavour to gain their independence.
- (c) i) Councillor Major reported on the proposals for the bulky waste collection service with one of the venues being the Village Hall at Risley. The Chairman reported that the parish council was already aware of the proposals but, as the Village Hall is managed by an independent management committee, the request had been forwarded to them for consideration. Unfortunately, the committee was unable to accede to the request to place two vehicles on the car park due to the health and safety of its users. Councillor Major pointed out that the service would be in Risley every four months or so and was disappointed that this could not be considered as it would be a valuable facility to the residents.
It was RESOLVED that Councillor Jarratt, as the parish council's representative on the committee, revisit the request with the committee members now that more information as to frequency had been given.
- ii) Once again, it was pleasing to note that the Borough Council had received far more compliments on its services than complaints.
- iii) The Borough Council had been successful in bidding for £109,000 grant funding for its work in encouraging people to lead a more healthy lifestyle by taking up sport. It was envisaged that the first phase would concentrate on the Petersham Estate.

18-57 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12 July 2018

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 12 July 2018 were proposed as a true record by Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor O'Neill. These were unanimously agreed and subsequently signed by the Chairman.

18-58 Exempt items

None.

18-59 Chairman's announcements/report

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

18-60 Clerk's report

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

The clerk was asked to write to the Hotel again for an update on the repair to the wall.

Councillor Rhodes offered to help the clerk with the lamp-post poppies. It was agreed to display these over the weekend of 20 October after the launch of this year's Poppy Appeal concentrating on the area around the war memorial. The clerk reported that she needs to inform the County Council of the lamp posts being used.

The clerk reported on three additional items – the success of the Rural Community Grant on behalf of the Cricket Club. This needs to be ratified by the Council Executive but it was hoped that the monies will be made available some time in October and thanks were expressed to Councillor Major; the quotation for the electrical work in relation to the Christmas lighting is still awaited and the clerk will report as soon as it is received bearing in mind that the work will need to be carried out before the switch-on this year. Finally, the clerk reported that the Parent and Toddler Group had unfortunately folded and the parish council's donation has been returned.

18-61 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular Nos. 11/2018 and 12/2018 had been distributed to all councillors and the contents noted.

It was RESOLVED that an item be added to the next newsletter regarding increases to the 2018/19 parish precepts.

18-62 Matters for determination

- (a) The Chairman reported that as a safety measure the bench has been removed from inside the play area on First Avenue as it had corroded. It was RESOLVED that the clerk obtain prices for a composite bench to replace it.
- (b) As noted from DALC's circular no. 11/2018, the AGM and Executive meeting is to be held on Tuesday, 9 October commencing at 10.00am. Councillors Ancliff and Housley offered to attend as the parish council's representatives.
- (c) The Chairman reported that the play equipment on the play area was in need of repainting. It was RESOLVED that this be arranged.
- (d) The Clerk reported on an email received from the County Council regarding the works required to the footpath at Meadow View in which an estimate of £14,000 was given. It was RESOLVED that the clerk respond that it would not be possible for the parish council to meet the full costs at this time.

18-63 Finance

(a) Accounts for payment

It was RESOLVED to approve the following payments:

<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
002179	S J Dunkley (Salary and expenses – July)	£274.15
002180	HMRC (PAYE – July)	£ 62.00
002181	SSE (Top up for power to Information point)	£ 20.00
002182	Risley Women's Institute (Donation)	£100.00

002183	Moorleys Print and Publishing (Printing of newsletters)	£ 78.00
002184	S J Dunkley (Salary and expenses – August)	£340.70
002185	HMRC (PAYE – August)	£ 62.00
002186	Talesh No. 3 Risley Hotel (Room Hire – September)	£ 25.00
002187	Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal (Lamp post poppies)	£ 36.00
002188	2commune Limited (Creation of new website – VAT £100.00)	£600.00
002189	Park Hall Designs (charges for website April-August 2018)	£ 50.00
002190	Shed Grounds Maintenance Limited (grounds maintenance – VAT £90.72)	£544.32

Receipts

Bank Interest £0.96

Risley Not So Young hanging basket £60.00

18-64 Playground inspections

The report for July was submitted by Councillor Jarratt with no matters arising.

18-65 Planning

ERE/0718/0052 – Treetops Hospice (Erection of a new, single storey, 12 bedded care unit to provide end of life care to residential hospice patients and associated parking and other works - Whilst the Parish Council fully supports the work and aspirations of Treetops, the following reservations were made:

- 1) It feels that the proposal is excessive and overbearing, especially in the conservation area and green belt. It is concerned about the visual impact on the local amenity.
- 2) Concern was expressed on the access to the proposed unit especially for delivery and refuse vehicles.
- 3) It is believed that the proposed increase in car parking spaces is not going to be sufficient for the increase in number of staff (nursing, clerical, catering, domestic and visitors). There will therefore be parking on the main Derby Road when the car park is full and this may cause problems especially at the start and finish of the school day when parents collect children. In summer cars are allowed to park on the field but this will not be possible in the winter or wet weather. The extension of the car park is already going to be much closer to the far trees and wood.
- 3) The immediate area is prone to flooding and there has been major drainage problems over the last few years. Unless significant works are proposed to alleviate this problem things will only get worse. Is STWA aware?

ERE/0718/0021 – Old Orchard House (felling of Blue Spruce in conservation area) – approved with conditions

ERE/0818/0060 – The Old Post Office (fell Spruce tree) – decision awaited (delegated)

ERE/0818/0049 – The Old Post Office (lawful development certificate for a proposed detached outbuilding to form a garage and games room – approved (delegated)

ERE/0918/0008 – 4 Manor Court (works to trees within a conservation area) – decision awaited

18-66 Matters for information

- 1) Letters of thanks for donations received from All Saints Church, Risley Not So Young, Risley Conservation Group and the Risley WI
- 2) Parish Council's new website should be up and running by November.
- 3) Town and Parish Council Consultation at the County Hall, Matlock on 17 September – unfortunately too short notice for attendance.

18-67 Future agenda items

Cleaning of the War Memorial
Erection of Christmas tree and Lights switch on
Noticeboards in the parish
Works to fencing at Rush Meadow
Welcome sign for Hopwell (2019)
Play equipment and Big Lottery application
2019/2020 Budget – December 2018

Dates of future meetings: 11 October; 8 November and 13 December 2018. 10 January, 14 February, 14 March and 11 April 2019.

Part 2 – Confidential items

None.

Signed Chairman 11 October 2018