

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF RISLEY WITH HOPWELL PARISH COUNCIL

held at Harrison's Cottage on Thursday 19 October 2017 at 7.00pm

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

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

Councillor M O'Neill (Vice-Chair) in the Chair

Part 1 – Non confidential information

17-70 Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Ancliff.

17-71 Variation of order of business

Not required.

17-72 Declarations of interest

None declared.

17-73 Dispensations

None.

17-74 Public session

1) Public

Mrs Kirsty Izzard, Chair of the Friends of Risley School Association attended the meeting to seek the Parish Council's support with a Rural Community Grant application to the Borough Council to assist with the provision of a new playground surface at the School. The approximate cost would be £15,000. Councillor Jones mentioned that the cost of this work should be met by the County Council but that an application to the Risley Education Trust could also be made but it was doubtful that this would be successful.

2) Councillors appointed to outside bodies

Councillor Rhodes reported that the Christmas Tree was being erected on 26th November and any help would be welcomed.

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

a) The Clerk had been informed that the next Speedwatch session would be on 26 November 2017 at 12.30pm on Rushy Lane. Members of the scheme had been informed.

- b) i) Councillor Clare reported on Erewash Borough Council's Full Council meeting which was held on 12 October 2017, the first of this civic year.
ii) The 765th Ilkeston Charter Fair was opened earlier and there has been a lot of changes made at the Erewash Museum and a visit is well recommended.

- c) i) County Major reported on the new management structure at the County Council. The chief executive post no longer exists with the organisation being run by strategic directors. This has saved the authority £500k and is going very well.
- ii) The authority is aware that access to broadband is difficult in some rural areas and is looking at ways to make access more achievable.
- iii) Temporary works have been carried out to the road surface at the crossroads on Rushy Lane/Bostocks Lane and Derby Road which had been completely destroyed and it is hoped that a permanent fix will be carried out soon.
- iv) As Deputy Leader of Erewash Borough Council, Councillor Major reported on the shared services with Broxtowe Borough Council whereby Erewash will be delivering the revenues and benefits duties for the authority. This shared service will save Erewash approximately £250k each year.
- v) The Borough Council is looking into its leisure services being run by a private management company as this would provide benefits which the borough council is unable to access. It will be necessary to enter the tendering process in order to obtain more information.
- vi) The Authority is selling the Albion Leisure Centre although details cannot be divulged at the moment.
- vii) Councillor Major is pleased to confirm that more compliments had been received than complaints.
- viii) A Borough/Parish Liaison Forum is to be convened in December to discuss the HS2 Growth Strategy.

17-75 Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 14 September 2017

The minutes of the meeting held at 14 September 2017 were proposed as a true record by Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Hobbs, unanimously agreed and then signed by the Chairman.

17-76 Exempt items

None.

17-77 Chairman's announcements/report

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

17-78 Clerk's report

The Clerk's report had been distributed prior to the meeting and was noted. Councillor Rhodes offered to help with the placing of the lamp post poppies.

17-79 Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Circular No. 12/2017 had been circulated to all members. This had been noted.

17-80 Matters for determination

- (a) The Clerk reported that she had now received three quotations for the new play equipment and asked for permission to apply for Big Lottery funding. It was RESOLVED

- to apply for £10,000 and as soon as it is known if this is successful, a decision will be made on which supplier to approach.
- (b) The Clerk reported on the bus shelter survey which had been delivered to 146 households within the immediate vicinity of the bus stop opposite First Avenue. 50 replies had been received with 44 being in agreement with the proposal and six against. It was proposed by Councillor Hobbs, seconded by Councillor Rhodes to approve the installation of the shelter and when put to the vote, four were in favour and three abstained. As one of the objections was that the proposed shelter would be on the boundary of No. 21 Derby Road, it was agreed to ask the County Council if the shelter could be installed with the back of the shelter facing the roadside rather than the boundary. It was also agreed that lighting in the shelter would not be necessary as there was adequate lighting in the area.
- (c) Erewash Borough Council had opened a further round of Rural Community Grants and the parish council had received two requests for support, the first from FORSA for the playground surfacing and the second from the Cricket Club for a replacement roof to the pavilion. As the applications need to be submitted to the Borough Council by 8th December, it was RESOLVED to ask both organisations to complete the application form and provide the information required in time for the next meeting on 9th November when a decision can be made.
- (d) The Clerk asked for permission to ask Tim Ainsworth to trim the hedgerow on Breaston Lane and the land behind the Village Hall. This was APPROVED.
- (e) Councillor Jarratt agreed to act as representative for the Parish Council on the Village Hall Management Committee and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk inform the Secretary of his appointment.

17-81 Finance

It was resolved that the following payments be made:

<u>Cheque No.</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
002142	G Burley & Sons Limited (Grounds Maintenance – VAT £63.18)	£ 378.80
002143	Park Hall Designs (Maintenance to website and hosting renewal)	£ 124.08
002144	All Saints Church, Risley (Room Hire for May to September 2017)	£ 150.00
002145	Mrs S J Dunkley (Salary and expenses – September)	£ 303.66
002146	HMRC (PAYE – September)	£ 58.00
002147	Derbyshire Association of Local Councils (CiLCA Training)	£ 250.00
002148	SSE Southern Electric (power for the information point)	£ 20.00
002149	Erewash Borough Council (hanging basket sponsorship VAT £159.00)	£ 954.00

Receipts

£250.00 Hire of Rush Meadow for wedding (July 2018)
£ 3.45 Wayleave Agreement with Western Power Distribution
£ 0.18 Bank Interest
£115.00 Hanging Basket sponsorship
£616.84 VAT reimbursement

17-82 Playground inspections

The September inspection report was noted.

17-83 Planning

ERE/1017/0017 Ward Farm and Wisteria Cottage, No Man's Lane, Risley (Change of use of land to equestrian/livery use and construct horse exercising and trotting areas, extend hard surfaced car park, alter site access, construct American barn for rehabilitation livery/equestrian use & access roads. Retain part constructed ménage & existing barn for DIY livery equestrian use).

This application was discussed in depth and it was RESOLVED to object to this as it was felt that it would be overdevelopment in the greenbelt area and is over dominant and out of keeping with the area. It would also have a negative impact on the open space and there would be loss of trees. Access would be difficult to the development and there would be safety issues for vehicles, walkers, cyclists and horseriders. Concern was also raised around the design and density of the buildings and also with the drainage and the extent of concrete being introduced with the horse exercise area which would add to the amount of grassland being lost.

Decisions

- (a) **Risley Hall** -Works to 9 protected Lime trees - Crown lift to 6 foot (1.8M) above ground level (delegated approval with conditions)
- (b) **Park Farm, No Man's Lane, Risley** - Prior Notification under Classes Q(A) and Q(B) – Change of use of an agricultural building to two dwellings and associated building operations (re-submission of ERE/0715/8005) (Prior approval granted)
- (c) **Hall Cottage, 109 Derby Road, Risley** - Works to protected Lime Tree - Crown lift to 2.7m and crown reduction of 1m branch length (delegated approval with conditions)

17-84 Matters for information

Nothing to report.

17-85 Future agenda items

- a) New play equipment – December/January
- b) Sign/planter for Hopwell – 2018
- c) Grounds maintenance extension – November 2017
- d) Mowing at Village Hall – July 2018

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed 9 November 2017

Cllr P Ancliff