

BUNNY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Thursday April 20, 2017, at 7.30pm

Couns. Graham Norbury (Chairman)
 Mrs Chris Brown Mrs Maria Webb
 John Alldred (A) Richard Wilson Peter Pearson
 Douglas Kerr Penny Wakefield

Also present the Clerk Mike Elliott

- 1] APOLOGIES Coun. John Alldred
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON MARCH 16, 2017 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman after minor grammatical changes were made.
- 4] CLERK'S REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS
 The clerk said the 30/40 mph speed sign situation near the Keyworth Lane A60 junction had been raised again with the County Highways and they explained that the 40mph sign just prior to the 30mph sign is there to meet the requirements of the Department of Transport regarding repeater signs.
 Notts County Council say funding has not been allocated for installing a bench in the A60 bus shelter near the school.
 On Litter pick day there had been 30 sacks of rubbish collected by the volunteers and then taken away by Rushcliffe Borough Council. The chairman reported the repairs to street light No. 5 on Main Street had been carried out.
- 5] ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC No items were raised.
- 6] CORRESPONDENCE
 Rick Thompson, BT. Phone kiosk Loughborough road, BT wrote to say they are inundated with work in regard to removal of kiosks and could only say it was likely the one at Bunny would be removed but no firm date for this can be given.
 Michael Brough, 198 Loughborough Road, re village hall cleaning tender. Members agreed to ask Mr Brough to continue. The clerk said two other firms had been approached but no prices received from them for the work.
- 7] HIGHWAY MATTERS
 The continuing concerns on pot holes on village roads was raised. The chairman said the County Council were still saying funding was short.
- 8] COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY GROUP, CRIME FIGURES AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SCHEME
 Coun. Wilson reported that a funding shortage was hampering necessary repairs on the speed monitoring equipment and some of the programmed sessions for speed checking had had to be curtailed. A campaign to obtain more volunteers for the speed-watch scheme had not produced any interest from new members.
 In respect of crime, Coun. Wilson said there had been four instances of bilking concerning the village petrol station in the last month.
 Coun. Wilson reported that the Neighbourhood Watch sign for Albert Road that had been on the floor for some time was now missing.

9] PLANNING

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPLICATIONS

17/00620/TPO Miss Nadine Cook, North Lodge, 37 Loughborough Road. Crown raise and overall tidy and reduction, Yew. No objection.

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL DECISIONS

17/000523/CONARE John Berridge, 25 Moor Lane. Reduce Fir by 2-3m. Permit

10] FINANCE

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list.

It was confirmed that payment for the Bunny Bulletin be reduced to £50 per month.

11] VILLAGE HALL AND LEASE

The chairman said he had now signed the official copy of the lease for the hall, taking it to the year 2028.

The question of noise from the village hall had been raised by a neighbour but members felt that generally this was not a problem. The instance in question had been at 9pm during a booking for a teenage party.

The chairman said Ruddington Scouts were interested in taking the 25 old chairs from the hall. It was agreed any offer they made regarding a donation be accepted. Cutlery had now been purchased. Coun. Mrs Brown would purchase the remainder required, being saucepans etc.

The chairman said the advisory committee had met and were looking at various matters concerning the running of the hall. He intended to retire from the chairmanship after the next meeting. Electrician Dave Williams was to visit the hall again regard to the lighting system.

12] ENVIRONMENT

Discussion took place regarding a defibrillator being provided in the village but no decision was taken. It was agreed to progress another CPR training session. Dumped litter on Wysall Lane had been cleared.

The council are to discuss further plans for an event to mark the Centenary of the ending of World War One. The event would take place on November 11, 2018. The chairman said the Allotments Society were in support and would approve use of land on their site for a beacon.

The chairman said British Gypsum were celebrating their 100th birthday and were inviting councillors to take a tour of the factory. Tree cutting on the allotments was in hand said the chairman.

13] FOOTPATHS

No points were raised.

14] CASUAL VACANCY

The question of the vacancy was again discussed and it was agreed efforts be made to create interest in it. The chairman said he had prepared an article for the magazine. Coun. Pearson said he would not be standing for re-election as vice chairman and urged the council to be aware of the need to create interest in getting more people interested in joining the council.

15] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING MAY 18, 2017 (ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL AND ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 7PM)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-45pm.