

BUNNY PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Thursday July 21, 2016,
at 7.30pm**

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

Also present the Clerk Mike Elliott, and Notts County Council member Coun. Reg Adair

- 1] APOLOGIES Couns. John Aldred and Helen Shirtcliffe.
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON JUNE 16, 2016 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman
- 4] CLERK'S REPORT ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS
 The clerk advised members that the Section 137 expenditure limit for 2016-7 has increased to £742 per elector. Notts County Council had now confirmed they will attack the overgrowth at the Gotham Lane end of the village and their Forestry team have been given the job to do.
 Notts County Council says they have cleaned the Bunny sign at Gotham Lane end once and will do it again. The County Council continue to say the siting of the proposed new bus stop signs will be just beyond 8 Loughborough Road for the Nottingham direction, to facilitate access to employment.
- 5] ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC
 Coun. Adair and the Clerk had received a letter from Rushcliffe Borough Council in regard to the name for the road leading from Loughborough road at the southern end of the village to Wysall, commonly known as Wysall Lane but officially called Fairham Brook Lane. The Borough did not support the parish council in its request to officially name it Wysall Lane. The council said the name it preferred had been used for as long as anyone on the council could remember, and certainly going back at least 60 years. The clerk was asked to write again to the Borough to state the views of members.
 Coun. Adair reported on the action by Notts County Council to defer the application by Johnsons for an extended time to operate their business from the former Brickworks site. There had been strong views expressed against the proposals to allow a start to the operations from 6am instead of the current 7.30am. Coun. Adair said the company were being asked several important questions in an attempt to obtain from them facts that would back their claim the extend hours would bring gain to them. The County Councillor said if a petition was organised he would be happy to present it to the County Council. He would require it by September 12.
- 6] CORRESPONDENCE
 Bunny and Bradmore Charities advised of the annual apprentice fee charity funding available.
 Bunny Parish church wrote in regard to the possibility of the council funding grass maintenance work in the church yard, with the contractor providing the parish council with a direct account. The council agreed to meet the cost of two of the cuts the contractors carryout in the churchyard at £160 each.
- 7] HIGHWAY MATTERS
 There was no progress from the County Council in regard to requested work on pathway clearing where overgrowth was reducing the width of the path itself.

8] COMMUNITY ROAD SAFETY GROUP, CRIME FIGURES AND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Coun. Wilson reported on continuing speed check sessions but did say it had been necessary to cancel at least one session. He commented that the speed reaction sign was partly obscured by roadside overgrowth. The council spoke of the benefits of having speed repeater signs provided and the clerk was asked to write to the County Council to ask for consideration being given to such provision. The clerk was also to write to the County to ask for a change on the flashing speed sign so that it showed actual speeds up to 45mph instead of 'Slow Down'

Coun. Wilson said the police were reporting there had been a low level crime period.

The situation involving Neighbourhood Watch in the village was discussed in detail but no decision was taken and the matter was to be an agenda item at the October meeting.

9] PLANNING

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPLICATIONS

16/01769/ful. Steve Mitchell, The Three Jays, Moor Lane. Two storey side extension. No objection.

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL DECISIONS

Rushcliffe Borough Council did not oppose the application for the Bunny Materials Recycling application for a 6-00am start instead of the current 7-30am start.

10] FINANCE

a] CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list

Members discussed the matter of a council credit card and the new law introduced by the Government which allows a single signature to be sufficient on a council cheque. The clerk was asked to further investigate the matter and report back.

11] VILLAGE HALL

The chairman said there was still a need for a volunteer from the council to serve on the new village hall committee. The first meeting would be in September. He also reported the new village collage had now been put on show in the hall. The plaque for it was yet to be erected. Plans were in hand for the re-framing of the picture of HM the Queen which had been damaged. The clerk was asked to progress obtaining a quote for re-decoration of the hallway passage. An offer to give the hall a table tennis table had had to be withdrawn.

The clerk was asked to investigate the question of providing an internet connection in the hall and a tv aerial. The chairman said he would supplement the current cutlery stock with items from home.

12] ENVIRONMENT

The Nottingham Action Group Against Fracking meeting had been held in Nottingham, while the Shale Gas event by Notts County Council had been held before over 100 people at County Hall.

13] FOOTPATHS

The clerk was asked to seek action from Notts County Council to clear the weeds etc growth from the footpath and gutter from Main Street to the church gate. Coun. Pearson raised a question on the footpath leading from Loughborough Road to Bradmore.

14] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

Nothing was raised.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9-32pm.

