

RAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15 JANUARY 2019

Present: Jane Cryer - Clerk (JC)
Nev Davenport (ND)
Christine Hempstead (CH)
Keith Lovering (KL)
Sue Newton - Chairman (SN)
Amanda Pyall - Vice Chairman (AP)
Jayne Tann (JT)

In attendance: John Ward, Babergh DC (JW)
Gordon Jones, Suffolk CC (GJ)

Apologies: None

19.1.1 APOLOGIES

See above.

19.1.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

19.1.3 PUBLIC FORUM

No parishioners present.

19.1.4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2018

It was proposed by CH, seconded by AP and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 20 November 2018 should be accepted as an accurate record, and signed accordingly.

19.1.5 ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Most of the actions were either ongoing, or were on the agenda; there was an update on the following:

19.1.5.1 Anglian Water

JC had finally received a response to her email of July 2018 concerning infrastructure constraints on housing development in Raydon, confirming that an impact study was carried out reviewing water recycling impact, network impact, asset performance, future growth and flooding history related to capacity; Anglian Water would request a condition be attached to planning permission if it was recognised that there could be an impact on the network. Anglian Water had confirmed that it was obliged to serve all developments with planning permission.

19.1.5.2 Car parking

With reference to the car parked on the grass verge, KL and AP had called at the property twice but there had been no one in. It was agreed that JC would write to the householder. JC confirmed that she had written to the Playing Field Committee about the parking problems at weekends; the PFC had contacted the football teams and ND confirmed that the situation had since improved.

19.1.5.3 Defibrillator

The defibrillator had now been installed on an external wall of the Pavilion; the cabinet had been supplied locked but the supplier had agreed to rectify the error by sending a replacement door. A CPR session for councillors had taken place before this meeting.

19.1.6 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

19.1.6.1 Babergh DC

Written reports for December 2018 and January 2019 had been circulated prior to the meeting, copies of which are filed with these minutes. The Exacom Public Facing Module had been launched and was now 'live'. This system provided access to information about CIL and developer contributions; Babergh and Mid Suffolk were the first local authorities in the country to launch this interactive database. A planning application had been submitted for 78 new homes in Hadleigh, with proposals to develop the former council offices in Corks Lane, and the former care home at Angel Court. However, JW said the Sudbury Society had made an application for the entire Corks Lane site, including the 1980's infill buildings, to be listed, which had resulted in a delay in that application going to committee. KL commented that the various developments in Hadleigh would mean increased traffic heading towards the A12, which would have an impact on Raydon. A decision was expected at the end of January on the appeal against the Judicial Review's decision to uphold Babergh's Planning Committee's decision to approve an application for 144 homes in East Bergholt.

19.1.6.2 Suffolk CC

Written reports for December 2018 and January 2019 had been circulated prior to the meeting, copies of which are filed with these minutes. In response to a question from SN, GJ said budget proposals would be agreed at the Cabinet meeting at the end of January, and the full Council meeting on 14 February.

19.1.7 FINANCIAL MATTERS

19.1.7.1 RFO's report

It was proposed by SN, seconded by JT and agreed unanimously that the finance report for 15 January 2019 should be accepted; payments of £1,732.36 were approved, together with direct debits to Anglian Water totalling £29.61. It was proposed by SN, seconded by CH and agreed unanimously that £25,000 should be transferred to the Business Premium savings account.

19.1.7.2 NJC salary scales wef 1 April 2019

This item was deferred to the February meeting, when information would be available on the new hourly rates for Clerks.

19.1.8 PLANNING

19.1.8.1 DC/18/04691 - Lavender House, The Street

There were no objections to the application for the erection of a summer house.

19.1.8.2 DC/18/04895 - The Green, The Street

It was noted that the application for prior approval for change of use from agricultural building to dwelling had been approved.

19.1.8.3 DC/18/05061 - Goodlands Farm, New Barn Lane

It was noted that the application for 48 solar panels had been approved.

19.1.8.4 DC/18/04442 - 10 Sulleys Hill

It was noted that the application for the demolition of the existing dwelling and the erection of a new dwelling, garage and annex had been refused.

19.1.9 HIGHWAYS ISSUES

19.1.9.1 Action following site visit by Suffolk Highways

Following the site visit in September, JC was awaiting information from Highways on the likely cost of the agreed actions. In the meantime, it was proposed by ND, seconded by CH and agreed unanimously that the Parish Council would be prepared to fund the improvements up to a maximum of £5,000. It was further agreed that JC would send the report on white lines prepared by SN, KL and AP to David Chenery, as requested.

19.1.9.2 Damaged road signage

KL's update was noted.

19.1.10 CORRESPONDENCE

19.1.10.1 Electric shock

A parishioner had reported receiving a severe electric shock from a fence by Footpath 48. It was agreed that JC would report this to Kevin Verlander at Suffolk County Council; she would also advise the parishioner to contact the landowner.

19.1.10.2 Phone lines & internet speed

Parishioners were dissatisfied with the quality of phone lines and internet, which it was believed was due to the copper connection to the fibre line and the Wenham exchange. It was agreed that this would be an agenda item for the February meeting.

19.1.10.3 Items for the agenda

SN asked anyone with any items for the agenda to ensure these were passed to JC rather than sent direct to her, in order to ensure deadlines were not missed.

19.1.10.4 SALC Area Meetings

SN said that SALC was no longer issuing minutes of their Area Meetings but instead was issuing brief bullet point summaries; JC would circulate these to councillors as soon as they were received.

19.1.11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7.30pm on Tuesday 12 February 2019, in the Pavilion.

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