

RAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2020

Present:	Jane Cryer - Clerk (JC) Keith Lovering (KL) Jim Lowe (JL) Sue Newton - Chairman (SN) Amanda Pyall - Vice Chairman (AP) Sigi Steer (SS)
In attendance:	7 Parishioners
Apologies:	Jayne Tann (JT) Gordon Jones, Suffolk CC (GJ) John Ward, Babergh DC (JW)

20.2.1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were accepted from JT.

20.2.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

20.2.3 PUBLIC FORUM

Two representatives from Brett Vale Golf Club were present, and were keen to improve communication with the PC and the community as a whole. JC asked them to send some information to her so that they could be included on the website. They were also invited to submit suggestions for discussion at a future meeting.

20.2.4 CO-OPTIONS

Councillors voted to co-opt Faith Backhouse (proposed by AP, seconded by JL), Stephen Coe (proposed by AP, seconded by KL) and Trevor Sayer (proposed by SS, seconded by AP) onto the Parish Council; they would each sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the next meeting. All three were then invited to join the meeting.

20.2.5 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2019

It was proposed by KL, seconded by SS and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14 January 2020 should be accepted as an accurate record, and signed accordingly.

20.2.6 ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Most of the actions were either ongoing, or were on the agenda; there were updates on the following:

20.2.6.3 Lorry route network

JC had written to Suffolk Highways to request confirmation of the current network, and clarification on the existing restrictions on Woodlands Road. She had received confirmation that the B1070 to Layham was designated as a local access route for HGVs, and that a 7.5T weight restriction was in place through Layham into Hadleigh. The 'green' route applied only to the B1070 and did not extend to Woodlands Road. There were currently no restrictions concerning HGVs using Woodlands Road. There was an intention to review the HGV network within Suffolk; councillors agreed that they would like to be involved with this and would discuss the subject further at the March meeting.

20.2.7 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES

20.2.7.1 Babergh DC

A written report had been circulated prior to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. In the absence of JW, any questions on the report would be taken at the March meeting.

20.2.7.2 Suffolk CC

A written report had been circulated prior to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. In the absence of GJ, any questions on the report would be taken at the March meeting.

20.2.8 FINANCIAL MATTERS

20.2.8.1 RFO's report

It was proposed by AP, seconded by SS and agreed unanimously that the finance report for 11 February 2020 should be approved; payments of £1,414.32 were authorised, together with direct debits totalling £1,097.89 to E.ON and Anglian Water.

20.2.9 REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS

20.2.9.1 Community Speed Watch

JL's report was noted. It was agreed to ask for volunteers (via Quartet) - responses would be discussed at the March meeting.

20.2.9.2 SCC Community Self Help Scheme

KL's report was noted; quotations had been requested for the resurfacing of the lay-by outside the church. JC was currently awaiting clarification from SCC on the paperwork required. This would be an agenda item for the March meeting. It was noted that KL was assisting the PFC to obtain quotes for works to the Pavilion car park; however, this work would not be carried out under the Self Help Scheme.

20.2.9.3 Outstanding matters

JL's report was noted. JL had met with Brett Vale Golf Club concerning damaged and overhanging trees on the golf course affecting the footpaths; it was noted that the Golf Club had applied for a tree felling licence so that they could address the problem. With regard to the overhanging hedge opposite the Village Hall, JC had written to the owner of the property in question, who was not living there at the moment; she would forward the letter to his current address. With regard to inconsiderate parking, it was hoped that extending the Pavilion car park would help to ameliorate the problems at the playing field. However, parking was still an issue in Rectory Close and on The Street; this would be an agenda item for the March meeting.

20.2.10 PLANNING

20.2.10.1 DC/19/00190 - Oak Meadows, Woodlands Road

Councillors had no objections to the application for the creation of an equestrian manege, provided it was for the applicant's personal use only.

20.2.10.2 DC/19/00021 - Cherry Place, Hadleigh Road

Councillors expressed concern that the erection of a first floor rear extension, glazed link extension etc would lead to increased light pollution. In addition, they felt the proposed works should not commence until current repairs to the property had been carried out; there would be a further discussion at the March meeting.

20.2.10.3 DC/19/04444 - Land east of Wayside, Woodlands Road

It was noted that outline planning permission had been granted for the erection of up to 4 houses with parking and cartlodes.

20.2.10.4 SN/20/00061 - Land north of The Street

The PC had been invited to suggest a new road name for the development. The developer had already proposed 'Bells Meadow'; JC would ask why, as this did not appear to have any relevance to the village.

20.2.11 DRAINAGE

KL highlighted the lack of maintenance of drains along the length of The Street. It was agreed that he would draft a letter to SCC and send it to JC; she would copy the letter to David Chenery and request another site visit.

20.2.12 ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN

It was agreed to hold the annual Spring Clean on Saturday 13 June 2020. AP would draft a piece for Quartet; JC would request a further supply of refuse sacks.

20.2.13 CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

20.2.13.1 Land west of Pipers Went, The Street

JC had received confirmation that non-material amendments to the outline planning application DC/19/00252 had been approved.

20.2.13.2 Litter

A parishioner who regularly collected litter in the village had highlighted the problem of litter from the business park blowing onto the road; he had asked for the PC's help in liaising with the businesses and the Environment Agency. This would be discussed at the March meeting.

20.2.13.3 Footpaths

It had been reported that some of the finger posts on Woodlands Road and the airfield road had been damaged. JC would report this to SCC.

20.2.13.4 Hedge

A parishioner had reported overhanging hedges at a property in The Street, that were preventing safe access onto the road from a number of other properties. JC would write to the property owner.

20.2.14 CLERK'S REPORT ON URGENT DECISIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

None.

20.2.15 FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next meeting would be on Tuesday 10 March 2020 at 7.30pm in the Pavilion. It was agreed to change the date of the Annual Parish Meeting to **Thursday 9 April 2020**.

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