

Minute of Radwinter Parish Council Meeting 26th November Meeting took Place at the Village Hall

Those Present:

Chairman Mark Halls
Vice Chair Stephen Graves
Councillor Eileen Duck
Councillor Kevin Moore
Councillor Vicky Halls
Councillor Rob Rains
Parish Clerk Becky Bowles

Public Session

A resident arrived to inform the Council of how slippery the footbridge at Lower House Farm is. Councillors agreed that something needs to be done to resolve the problem. It will be reported to the Highways Rangers, however to temporarily provide a resolution Rob Rains said that he would try and remove some of the Moss and algae from the path.

Parish Council Meeting

1)New Councillors

Rob Rains was co-opted onto the Parish Council agreed by all councillors.

2)District and County Reports.

Simon Walsh (County Councillor) sent his apologies and also sent his report to the Clerk who read out the report at the Meeting.

District Councillor was unable to attend.

3)Finance

Cheques were signed by Councillors and Councillor Graves suggested that the Clerk could design a generic document Parishoners could sign, if they have spent funds on behalf of the Parish Council and the Council need to Reimburse the funds to save the Clerk requesting the Parishoner to write an Invoice/requesting an receipt.

Change of Signatories for Banking was put off until the next meeting in January as the Council will be at Full capacity and duties could be allocated to Councillors.

4)Highways

Clerk and Chairman both agreed to chase regarding any action towards the implementation of a speed limit in Water Lane.

Councillor Moore agreed to write a letter directly to the County Council regarding the above matter and Councillor Rains said that he would take the letter round to Parishoners who are Directly affected to ask for supportive signatures. It was decided that this will be more decisive action.

Highways Rangers again to be contacted regarding the Pot Hole next to the Post Box on Sampford Road, also to mention that the Road outside of Brook Farm is still very difficult to drive on.

5)Community Plan

This was moved to the next meeting to see if the Clerk could find the old Community Plan in the Archives.

6)Recreation Ground

Chairman has contacted the contractors regarding work at the Recreation ground Car Park and they have said as soon as they are available to do the work they will contact him so he can liase with the School and Village Hall.

Chairman agreed that he was happy to carry out the Annual Closing of the Car Park Gates and it was suggested that a Good time to close thmem would be on New Years Eve. A sign will be put on the Notice Board to remind everyone it is also in the Radwinter Times. There will be NO vehicle access for 24 hours but it will be open for Pedestrians commencing around 5pm, the Chairmans phone number will be available should there be any emergencies and he will have the Keys

7)Radwinter Information Pack

Mr Briggs gave a breakdown of costs for the Radwinter Information Pack and gave a summary for each option. The Parish Council gave their thanks to Mr Briggs for his work and decided the best course of action would be email a copy to each of the residents that receive the Radwinter times by email, however should they wish to have one they would be welcome to have a Hard Copy. New Residents to be given a copy.

The Council decided that it would not be necessary to give the Estate Agents a copy.

There will be 70 extra copies at the Post Office available for purchase at a price of £3.00.

A suggested Publication date of the 1st Jan 2013 as this will be an ongoing project and Mr Briggs suggested that it will be stated on the cover for an updated version to visit the Website.

Clerk to speak to the District Councillor to find out how to achieve the Grant that we have been offered that will be used for the Production of the Radwinter times of £666.87.

8)Correspondence

In response to a letter from the Chair of Governors at Radwinter School regarding vehicles and growth of the school.

Councillor Moore suggested maybe a Car Share scheme could be implemented for staff and for Parents if achievable.

Councillor Duck suggested that the school field could be used for some of the Staff to Park in if some Hard standing was laid down.

Chairman thanking the Chair of Governors for making the Parish Council aware that this is a problem and suggested that the Clerk speaks to the Headmistress to see if they are able to perhaps use the Safer Journeys grants or if they had any budget for it to go into a Joint scheme with the Parish Council.

In response to the Stocking Green Committee's Minutes.

The Chairman, Councillor Duck and one Other Councillor would be happy to be on the Stocking Green Committee to make it a Sub-Committee of the Parish Council.

Clerk to check that works carried out by local residents would be covered by the Councils insurance . Parish council are happy to write a supporting letter to EON regarding them leaving the area they carried out works on in an unsuitable state.

Councillors also agreed that any old minute books should now go to the Essex Records office to kept in a suitable environment. But the Clerk will first contact Micheal southgate to see if he would like to scan any of the minute books first.

9)Christmas Tree

Chairman will erect village Christmas tree and decorate with councillor Halls receipt for Lights and Decorations to be given to the Clerk

10)Next Years Meetings

Dates were decided for next years Parish Council meetings to take place, on request of Mr Briggs for the publication of the Radwinter Times the dates have been moved forward to pre publication dates where possible.

Monday 14th January 2013

Monday 11th March 2013

Monday 15th April 2013

Monday 20th May 2013

Monday 8th July 2013

Monday 9th September 2013

Monday 14th October 2013

Monday 18th December 2013

Theses are provisional dates and may be changed should any situations arise that would make it difficult for the meetings to take place. Should this happen the Notification will be given.

Becky Bowles
Parish Clerk