

RATTLESDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the full Council held on 25 June 2019 at 7.30pm in Rattlesden Village Hall

Approved 30.07.19 (Minute 2019/046 refers)

Present: Cllr Kerry Burn (Chairman), Cllr Peter Brooke, Cllr Tony Edwards,
Cllr Dan Jewers, Cllr Russell Morley and Cllr Julie Rayner

In Attendance: County and District Cllr Penny Otton; and
Parish Clerk: Doug Reed.

2019/031 Apologies for Absence
None.

2019/032 Declarations of Interest
None.

2019/033 Minutes of the Last Parish Council Meeting
It was proposed by Cllr Morley, seconded by Cllr Burn, that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, held on 14 May, be signed as a true record. The proposal was carried.

2019/034 District and County Councillor Report
Cllr Otton presented her report, as circulated previously. She was pleased to report that Children's Services at the County Council had been rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted but disappointed that her proposal to establish a cross-party group to investigate actions to reduce poverty in Suffolk had been rejected. She went on to highlight the imminent consultation on the Joint Local Plan being put forward by Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils and the impending removal of the public subsidy from a range of bus services in the county which would include the 377/386 services through Rattlesden. Confirmed decisions on the latter were expected in the autumn.

2019/035 Public Comment and Questions
None.

2019/036 Planning
036.1 Applications:
DC/19/012683 Bruges Cottages, Lower Road - trees in a Conservation Area - fell one sycamore tree. The Council had no objection.
036.2 Applications - Responses: There were no applications which had had to be considered in advance of the meeting because of their deadlines.
036.3 Decisions: It was noted that applications DC/18/02554 Francis Farm, Woolpit Road, DC/19/01739 2 Stowmarket Road and DC19/02138 lad adjacent to 12 and 13 St Nicholas Close had been granted.

2019/037 Finance
037.1 Financial Report: The report to 31 May was received. It was noted that the TSB current account stood at £18,694.07 and the deposit account

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at £13,584.39 further to which it was proposed by Cllr Burn, seconded by Cllr Morley, that the reconciliation be approved and duly signed. The proposal was carried.

037.2 Payments and Income: It was proposed by Cllr Morley, seconded by Cllr Rayner, that the schedule of payments be approved. The proposal was carried. The schedule comprised the following:

- ◆ Litter-picker: salary (June) - £158.70;
- ◆ Clerk: salary (June) - £368.25;
- ◆ HMRC: PAYE (June) - £92.00;
- ◆ Mr Roger Heard: 447th Bomb Group Memorial grass-cutting - £93.00 (Section 137 expenditure); and
- ◆ The Felsham Gardeners: Cemetery grass-cutting - £400.00.

Income received was duly noted as follows:

- ◆ TSB: business (deposit) account interest (June) - £11.49.

2019/038 Working Group Reports

038.1 Housing Development: The Group had met recently and was engaged in investigating options for the community space to be made available as part of the housing development adjacent to Roman Rise. Consultations with the developer were expected to continue.

038.2 Finance and Development: The Group had not met since the last Council meeting.

2019/039 Council Governance

039.1 New Legislation, Codes or Regulatory Issues: None.

039.2 Risk Register, Policies and Internal Controls: There were no decisions or actions which impacted upon the Council risk register, policies or internal controls.

2019/040 Rattlesden Village Hall Management Committee

Cllr Edwards volunteered to represent the Council on the Rattlesden Village Hall Management Committee.

2019/041 Correspondence

There were no issues arising from the list of correspondence.

2019/042 Matters to be Brought to the Attention of the Council

Cllr Rayner reported that she had received complaints about poor parking around the Primary Academy when children were due to be collected. It was agreed that this be referred to Suffolk Constabulary. The matter of vehicle encroachment on to the common land in Lower Road plus the apparent inappropriate use of that land was also discussed further to which it was resolved that the Clerk should write to the resident concerned.

2019/043 Next Meeting

It was noted that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council would be held on Tuesday 30 July at 7.30pm in Rattlesden Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.25pm.