

**MINUTES OF RUFFORTH WITH KNAPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 1 APRIL 2019 IN RUFFORTH VILLAGE INSTITUTE AT 7.30pm**

PRESENT:

Councillor P Rollings (PR)	Councillor Mrs A Powell (AP)
Councillor Mrs H Butterworth (HBu)	Councillor Mrs J Wright (JW)
Councillor Mrs H Beeley (HBe)	Councillor A Mate (AM)
Councillor J Flynn (JF)	Councillor M Reynolds (MR)

IN ATTENDANCE: Ward Councillor Chris Steward (CS) and The Clerk

062 PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

063 APOLOGIES ACCEPTED: None

064 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST (not previously declared): None

065 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes of the 4 March 2019 were proposed as a true record by AP and seconded by AM, all were agreed and the minutes were signed.

066 WARD COUNCILLOR'S COMMENTS:

The Refusal for the Poultry Farm on Bradley Lane is going to Appeal. We will get informed of the process but nothing is likely to happen during Purdah.

Clr Andrew Waller has helped move forward the redesigned entrance to Harewood Whin. The Clerk will write to CS regarding 2 dog bins for the cycle track.

The Scaffolding company is still very active.

30mph signs in Rufforth are filthy, especially at the Wetherby end of the village and the greenery needs to be cut away.

067 CLERK'S REPORT:

- a) The Clerk is to contact A Thomas about siting the Bradley Lane noticeboard. JF knows of a possible handy man in Knapton if necessary.
- b) AP would speak to the Grange resident who asked for a grant for The Grange noticeboard.
- c) The litter on the B1224 had finally been cleared by CYC.

068 FINANCE:

The Clerk produced a monthly financial report, a copy of which is in the minute file.

a.	Invoices agreed to be paid: Clerk's salary	£ 528.32
	The Clerk ¼ expenses	£ 165.77
	YLCA Subs	£ 402.00
	ANBG expenses to HB	£ 276.00
	Sand Dykes sign	£ 37.20
b.	Payments received: Invoice 195 Double plot + interment BG	£ 1555.00
	Invoice 196 Ashes Interment BG	£ 97.00
	Invoice 197 BG Memorial Stone fee	£ 100.00
c.	Funds available:	£ 4899.71

069 ANNUAL RETURN FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ended 31 MARCH 2019:

The Annual Governance statement was proposed as a true reflection of the governance of the Parish Council by AM and seconded by MR and all agreed. The Chairman and Clerk signed the statement.

070 ANNUAL RETURN FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2019:

The Accounting Statements for 2018/2019 and the Bank Reconciliation were proposed as true by AM, seconded by MR and agreed and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer. The Internal Auditor was to be James Mackman and it was agreed that his report should go to the Chairman as well as to the Clerk.

071 BURIAL GROUNDS:

There was to be a formal burial on the 8th April and one to follow soon afterwards in the Natural Burial Ground.

The Burial Ground committee would discuss the ANBG meeting and the inspection of the Natural Burial Ground and bring back any changes to the next meeting. The Inspection had been a positive one.

072 COMMUNICATIONS:

The newsletter had gone out to residents around the parish.

Facebook: This would be taken off the agenda until after the May meeting. The Parish Council could use the Neighbourhood Plan email list as all on it had given their consent.

073 PLANNING:

18/02754/FUL Beech House, Rufforth for single storey side extension, rear dormer to existing single storey side projection and new porch extension to front. This had been approved.

Vale Engineering's application had gone into CYC but hadn't yet come to us.

074 CYCLE PATH:

Rufforth end: AM will fix signs on the cycle path to deter vandalism etc by the pond.

Knapton end: JF reported that work had started by taking trees and bushes out as necessary. Kissing gates were to be replaced in the Knapton Playing Field by normal gates and all gates were to open into the field only, for safety reasons. JF suggested that a plaque and a tree was planted in memorial to Dennis Lancaster who had been so supportive of the cycle track into Knapton. This was agreed.

075 RUFFORTH:

- **Allotments: CYC Officer**, Tim Bradley, had written to allotment holders asking for suggestions on layout. Soil tests needed to be carried out before agreeing any layout as the site may turn out to be unsuitable. CS would look into it.
- **Rufforth Pinfold**: The grant application had gone in to the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Pinfold would come off the agenda until we had heard from the fund.

076 REVIEW OF TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT:

PR had written to Tony Clarke who was happy to meet but expressed concern that there was a lack of funds to get things done. He had not come back with any dates for a meeting.

A1237/ Main Street, Knapton junction: this is getting more dangerous with the speed of traffic on the A1237 increasing. JF will ask neighbours to gauge their opinion regarding closure/partial closure or to leave things as they are and come back to the next meeting. To go on next agenda.

077 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (PROWs):

The PROW turning left at the top of the Avenue to Bradley Lane: JW would endeavour to speak to the landowners. If this should not happen JW and the Clerk would get together to write to Richard Hoyland (PROW officer) and copy to CS.

078 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS FOR RUFFORTH AND KNAPTON:

The Parish Council had no objections to plans to put up a tree at the Institute with lights on and lights on the triangle in Rufforth (with Highways permission). The problem in Knapton was where to put them. In addition JF was concerned with the lack of street lights in certain parts of Knapton.

079 REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS:

- a. Rural West Ward Team: no meetings planned
- b. YLCA: The next meeting is in June.
- c. Yorwaste: There has been a restructure resulting in Geoff Derham leaving and Richard Bate taking over the top role. (Geoff and Richard's roles becoming one.) PR was trying to get a meeting with Richard Bate as it is important that the Parish Council and Yorwaste continue the good cooperation that has occurred in the recent past.
- d. Knapton: nothing to report

080 POLICE REPORT: None sent

There had been an accident involving three cars by the cattle crush in Rufforth. CS would send the link to the crash website.

081 CORRESPONDENCE: None

082 MINOR MATTERS AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA: None

083 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on Monday 13 May 2019 in the Rufforth Village Institute at 7.30pm. This will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council. PR thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 9.40 pm

Signed _____ Chairman _____ Date _____

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