

Ranton Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

HELD ON THURSDAY 25 JUNE 2015

AT RANTON VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:

Cllr. N. MacLeod (Chairman)
Cllr. D. Batchelor
Cllr. S. Williams
Cllr. M. Winnington

15/15 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr. Forrester who was away.

15/16 Declarations of Interest

Nothing to declare.

15/17 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 21st May 2015 needed adjustments.

15/18 Seighford Airfield

It was felt that the newly elected borough councillors, Stephen Leighton and Ray Sutherland, should be involved as nothing new had been done.

The clerk was to request the name of the new Principal Officer so that the parish council can inform him/her of its problems with Driveme and send copies to Andy Price and John Holmes.

1519 Finance

A payment of £31.93 to Haughton PC regarding photocopying from November 2012 – May 2015 was made.

The clerk was to obtain the paperwork necessary to open an account with Stafford Railway Building Society.

15/20 Reports

i) Mowing, etc. – grass at the 'phonebox needs to be cut by the new owners of 10 Brook Lane. Grass and weeds are growing over the church paths.

ii) Highways – Simon Griffiths, the new liaison officer in a few weeks time, aims to meet the clerks of the parishes.

New highway signs are needed, especially for near the school. Grass needs trimming where not part of the plan

iii) Footpaths – were still in good condition.

15/21 Clerk's Report & Correspondence

Plan for Stafford Borough – Part 2 Proposals and Community Infrastructure Levy

Minerals Local Plan for Staffordshire (2015 – 2030)

15/22 Website

Ian Knight to be invited to the September meeting.

15/23 Public Questions

There were none.

15/24 Chairman's Questions, etc

Defibrillator – the parish council decided to agree with the proposal to acquire a defibrillator. Cllr. Winnington could only give £500 towards the purchase but the parish council was prepared to pay up to £1,000 if money could not be found.

Cllr. Batchelor pointed out that money was still available if the parish wished to put together a neighbourhood plan.

It was noted that the agenda had not been placed on the notice board – the clerk had sent out the agenda three nights before the meeting to the parish councillors but had missed putting it on the notice board.

Broadband – no information at the moment.

The clerk's pension was discussed. It was agreed the salary level did not attract a pension contribution.

15/25 Planning

The following planning applications had been received from SBC planning:

10 Brook Lane, Ranton – proposed two storey annex extension to front with new porch and replacement conservatory to side.

15/22267/FUL – The Cottage, Long Compton Lane – proposed development – brick built stable.

15/22319/COU – Ranton Green Farm, Brook Lane – conversion of redundant agricultural building to single dwelling & associated works.

15/22451/FUL – Yew Tree Barn, Long Compton – erection of side extension.

15/22270/FUL – Park Nook Barn, Orchard Lane – provision of hay store & three stables for horses.

The parish council had no comments except for 10 Brook Lane where there was some concern about massing and the effects on the street scene particularly as this is such a large extension.

15/26 Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on 16 July 2015.

The meeting was closed by the Chairman.

Signed 

Date 6/8/15