



Minutes of a Meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council held in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road, Parkeston on Thursday 17th November 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillors Colbourne, L Donn, M Donn, Elmer (Chairman), Prior, Ramsay, Sheers, Singh and Smith

Also Present: ECC M Skeels

The members welcomed Cllr Elmer back from his period of absence to recover from his operation.

1. To accept apologies for absence: Cllr Stertz, PCSO Aylott

2. To receive a report from Essex Police: information only

A report received from PC Abraham covering statistics up to October 2011 were tabled and discussed with no issues raised.

3. Members Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda: Members joining the meeting part way through should wait for the next agenda item before joining any discussion/debate and declare any interest on any of the remaining agenda items.

4. To hear questions from members of the public: 15 minutes allowed. None

5. To confirm the minutes of the RPPC meeting held on 20th October 2011

Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr L Donn seconded a motion that the minutes to be signed as a true record with the motion carried. The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true record.

6. To sign the 2012 Budget as agreed at the Budget meeting of the RPPC held on 3rd November 2011:

Cllr Smith proposed and Cllr Singh seconded a motion that the Budget proposal as agreed at the Budget meeting held on 3rd November 2011 to be signed as adopted for the municipal year 2012/13. The Chairman then signed the budget as a true record. The clerk reported that the precept request for £39,021.00 will be confirmed with TDC as requested by 30 December 2011 with any query regarding the increase to be explained as warranted with the proposed activities to take place during the budget year 2012/13.

Action: Clerk

7. To receive any announcement by the Chairman

- a) Members Christmas dinner Friday 25th November, with thanks given to Cllr L Donn for arranging the event.
- b) No December meeting; an agreement was made with all in favour for a meeting(s) to be called should any issue arise that is felt necessary for a full member decision.

8. To hear a report on actions taken by the clerk and members as agreed at the last meeting
Nothing not covered elsewhere

9. To consider any Planning issues received to the meeting date:

- c) Application No: 11/01172/OUT

Location: Land rear of Edward Street and Una Road Parkeston

Proposal: Construction of thirty houses with associated parking, access and landscaping works.

The view of the RPPC, proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr L Donn with all in favour by Cllr Elmer who abstained, the comments from the previous application as below are to be submitted as an observation:

The members of the RPPC have the following concerns for consideration and recommend that the application is taken to the Planning Committee for consideration following a site visit.

1. TDC Local Plan 2007 - Policy TR1a 'Development Affecting Highways' Una Road and Edward Street being access/egress in relation to the proposal will add hazards and inconvenience to traffic; these roads will struggle to accommodate the traffic generated by the proposed development.

2. TDC Local Plan 2007 – Policy HAR3 'Development within the vicinity of Carless Refinery: the proposed development is shown to be extremely close to the boundary of the Carless Refinery'; the concerns of health & safety of local residents is of a high priority.

3. Concern of lack of supporting infrastructure that is at present struggling with the surrounding population: consideration has to be given of the surrounding developments



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in place and/or proposed that will overstretch amenities:

Schools/Doctors/Dentists/Hospital/Policing/Leisure facilities etc.

4. Concerns of the impact of construction traffic, relating to safety and congestion on Una Road, Edward Street and feeder roads, should this application be approved.

d) Application No: 11/01211/FUL

Location: DSV Road Ltd, West Dock Road, Parkeston

Proposal: Erection of new 1000m² warehouse building for storage purposes.

The view of the RPPC, proposed by Cllr Colbourne, seconded by Cllr Ramsay with all in favour, to be submitted to TDC is No Objection.

e) Decision [Determined] - Approval Full

Application No: 11/00961/FUL

Location: Petrochem Carless Ltd, Refinery Road, Parkeston

Proposal: Erection of four 20metre high steel tanks to store hydrocarbons surrounded by bund and construction of a gravel access track.

f) St Michael's Church Car Park; for information only, Cllr Elmer confirmed that following a request from a member of the public the RPPC has no involvement with this area.

g) New Barn, Wix Road; Application No: 11/10143/FUL. A formal request was made to Cllr Colbourne to request for the application to be discussed by the TDC Planning Committee against delegated powers.

10. To receive a report regarding the Parkeston Cemetery:

- 3 x salt bins are currently stored in the chapel; to be placed in Una Road/Edward Street, Captain Fryatt PH garden and RWMH car park.
- 1 tonne of salt has been received from ECC Highways
- An additional tonne of salt plus 3 spreaders are on order with Harwich Tool Hire
- Tree stump restricting vehicle access past the chapel has been cleared and agreement was made to cut down to ground level and to kill roots with appropriate treatment.

No further additional work in the cemetery is expected necessary during the winter months. The Chairman thanked Cllr M Donn and Cllr Singh for the work they have done to date to enhance the appearance and security of the cemetery.

11. To receive a report regarding the Ramsey War Memorial Hall/Playing Field:

- Funding application for new windows through Essex Community funding has been unsuccessful although the criteria met the requirements but too many applications for funding had been received. The Committee are now sourcing alternative funding.
- 4th December Christmas Bazaar being held, support of members in attending would be appreciated
- Car boot sales have proved to be unsuccessful with low support from villagers
- Hall Bookings remain high
- Neighbourhood Network Meeting 07/12: with no offer to host the meeting from anyone it was agreed to cancel the meeting until the Spring and an alternative venue can be sourced.

Action: Clerk

Post Meeting Note: *Cancellation of this meeting has been made via email to all clerks as invited.*

Playing Field:

- The landscaper has advised the last cut under contract was 26/10/11; no authorisation for additional cuts are granted; funding for such requests are to met by the RWMH committee. Confirmation of the next season's first cut is to be made known.

Action: Clerk

Post Meeting Note: *John Glover, Landscape Services has advised with weather permitting the first season's cut under contract will be at the beginning of March 2012. Due to the mild weather to date one further cut to the playing field has been authorised to be made on Monday 21/11/11.*



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12. To receive a report regarding the Welfare Park:

- Children's play park finished; post inspection to take place next week, following such the security fencing will be taken down
- Payment of £26k has been received from the Lottery for payment of the purchase and installation of the play equipment
- Pathways started; continuing with assistance of Pay Back team this weekend.
- Mound has been seeded
- Launch event; December 3rd all invited with a newsletter produced, circulated to all households and placed in the RPPC noticeboard.

13. To receive a report on the Community Pay Back Scheme: Cllr M Donn

- A team is now back full time concentrating in the Welfare Park

14. To receive a report from the Transport Representatives

a) Ramsey:

- Survey of Ramsey street nameplates to be carried out for submission to the Highway Rangers.

Action: Cllr Ramsey and Cllr Singh

- Cllr Ramsay reported on attending a Transport meeting at Colchester: tenders are due out for all bus routes: concern was raised over the 103 route between Harwich and Colchester. The maximum passenger journey fare of £5 is applicable on each route, the 103 is on the cusp of being at risk with a current journey fare of £4.90. Useful information to be circulated.

Action: Cllr Ramsay

- Ramsey Hill Bus Stop: following a complaint received relating to vandalism Cllr Ramsay made a report via ECC website with the problem now resolved.
- Cllr Sheers reported on a complaint received of a hedge encroaching onto the pavement at the bus stop outside of the butchers and will investigate further.

Action: Cllr Sheers

- Proposed adoption of any further grass cutting is to be considered after unconfirmed changes at ECC Highways are known. Ownership of the grassed area at Orchard Close is to be established; this area is currently cut under the RPPC landscape contract as a special expense against Ramsey Ward.

Action: Clerk

b) Parkeston:

- The bus shelter outside of Parkeston House has been vandalised with a glass panel smashed.
- Following submission of a survey to the Highway Rangers for maintenance/replacements of the Parkeston street nameplates, confirmation of ownership of the Village Signs [welcome to Parkeston, placed on the verge in Station Road, welcome to Ramsey x 2 placed on Church Hill and Wrabness Road] is to be established with T Knights, TDC.

Action: Clerk

15. To receive reports from Councillors attending other meetings: None

16. To receive any correspondence for action/information not covered elsewhere: None

17. Councillors report and items for future agendas: each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report on minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making unless otherwise agreed by the Chairman.



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18. To agree accounts for payment.

L Keating (Salary)	795.28	Accent Stationers	90.74
A&J Lighting	50.74	Audit Commission	342.00
E-On	79.31	Acumen Wages	21.00
Landscape Serves	1128.00	C&W Fencing	2850.00
British Legion	47.00	R Burnell (small projects)	70.00

19. To confirm that the next meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council will be held on Thursday 19th January 2012 in the

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2018hrs