



Minutes of a Meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council held in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road, Parkeston on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2012 at 7.00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllrs Colbourne, L Donn, M Donn, Elmer, Prior, Ramsay, Sheers, Smith, Stertz

**Also Present:** Mrs J Partridge, Mrs M Tye

1. **To accept apologies for absence:** Cllr Singh,
2. **To receive a report from Essex Police: information only**

Nothing received

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.**

Mrs Tye addressed the members raising concerns on the overhanging brambles along Station Road: Cllr Colbourne has contacted ECC who was put into the direction of Highway Rangers no response to date: Further contact is to be made to the Highway Rangers

**Action:** Cllr Ramsay

The draft leaflet as circulated with the agenda was discussed and with minor changes the leaflet is to be distributed to all households and business in Parkeston as moved by Cllr M Donn, seconded Cllr Elmer with all in favour.

Cllr Elmer circulated part of the TDC minutes dated 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2012, item (6) Domestic Waste and Recycling Contract as copied with these minutes for discussion with concerns raised on the lack of evidence of litter pickers operating at any time. With no success in obtaining a copy of the current contract in place between Veolia and TDC, Cllr Colbourne was requested to take the matter forward to TDC as District Councillor for Ramsey and Parkeston.

Cllr Ramsay asked for clarification of plastics that will be taken in the recycling bins and for lids to the additional bins to be delivered to each household on the recycling rounds.

**Action: Cllr Colbourne**

5. **To confirm the minutes of the RPPC meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012**

With the amendment to the accounts to read payment to Cllr G Elmer Chairman's first ½ annual allowance, Cllr L Donn proposed and Cllr M 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 hear any announcement by the Chairman:**

The Chairman is pleased to be able to accept an invitation from the RWMH to attend a Service of Remembrance on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2012; the invitation was extended to all members.

7. **To consider applications for donations**

a) Noisy Parkers, Parkeston; the Mother and Toddler playgroup held weekly in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall has now been established for 5 weeks; Cllrs Elmer and Stertz attended part of a meeting unannounced and were both impressed with the group's activities. Feedback from parents was positive; Cllr Stertz proposed a donation of £500 to be made, seconded by Cllr Prior with all in favour. The cheque to be made out to Barnados with a covering letter to include a condition that the funds are to be fully used to support Noisy Parkers, Parkeston.

b) Hariwch & Dovercourt RUFC: to sponsor one player from each ward at £100 per player, approved at the meeting of the RPPC, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012 and recommended to be held until the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the precept has been received will now be processed.

8. **To hear a report on actions taken by the clerk and members as agreed at the last meeting**

a) Christmas meal confirmed at £15.50 per head monies to be paid to Cllr L Donn at the next meeting.

b) Parish Plan: Clerk to raise at the next clerk's meeting at TDC on November 5<sup>th</sup> on if/how other councils have developed their plans.

**Action: Clerk**

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

a) Draft Local Plan 2012

Cllr Elmer briefed the members on the draft Local Plan sites within the wards: a copy of the relevant section and map is to be copied with the minutes of this meeting.

**Action: Clerk**



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- b) Section 106 Monies: extract from TDC minutes dated July 2012 item (7) as copied with these minutes was brought forward by Cllr Elmer and discussed with concerns of no confirmation of a new officer being in place to date. Cllr Colbourne to take note of any movements at TDC at future meetings to report back to RPPC.

**10. To receive a report regarding the Parkeston Cemetery:**

- a) Front entrance quote to cover the works below has been authorised at £1,305.00 to include:

- Clearing and lifting tree at entrance together with work to extend driveway coverage to edge of tarmac.
- Overhanging branch of fir tree, viewed as a potential hazard is to be cut down
- Laurel on left side of Chapel approach and on bank behind Chapel to be cut to current ½ size

- b) Chapel Window: photographs of the original design of window were passed to Cllr Prior to establish costs for materials and take forward as a future art project for the Harwich School.

**Action: Cllr Prior/Cllr Smith**

- c) Chapel Building: Cllr M Donn has contacted 2 builders to meet for maintenance to be considered and to quote.

**Action: Cllr M Donn**

**11. To receive a report regarding the Ramsey War Memorial Hall:**

Cllr Smith reported:

- Clairvoyant evening 10<sup>th</sup> November
- Remembrance Service 11<sup>th</sup> November

**12. To receive a report regarding the Welfare Park:**

Cllr Prior reported:

- An offer to clear the concrete and old equipment was made by a local resident, however not taken place to date; quotes to be sourced to remove the items should the resident not come forward in the near future.
- Vandalism has taken place again with the climbing wall damaged by fire
- A request has been made to Surya Rice for their CCTV to cover the park
- Committee meeting to be held next Thursday

**13. To receive a report from the Transport Representatives**

**Ramsey:**

- No further information has yet been received from ECC Cllr Skeels regarding the request for a 20mph zone
- Ramsey Roundabout damage is believed to be scheduled for repair shortly.

**Parkeston:**

Nothing not covered elsewhere.

**14. To receive reports from Councillors attending other meetings**

None since the last meeting.

**15. To receive any correspondence not covered elsewhere: None**

**16. 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.**

- a) Cllr Elmer: St Paul's Church, Parkeston



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- 17. To agree accounts for payment and to agree a date of the Budget Meeting to be held in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall.** The Budget meeting was agreed to be held on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2012 @ 7.00 p.m.

L Keating Clerk's Salary	743.63	A&J Lighting	101.48 195.60
P Strelitz Legal Representation	900.00	Audit Commission	480.00
E-On	159.06	Accent	190.99
Landscape Sers	864.00		
Acumen Wages Sers	21.00	Banardos Donation Noisy Parkers Toddler Group [S19]	500.00
H&D Rugby Club Donation [S137]	200.00	WG Elmer Stationery	29.00

- 18. To confirm the date of the next meeting of Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council will be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2012 at 7.00 pm to be held at the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road, Parkeston**

**The meeting closed at 9.20 p.m.**