

## REMENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Hall on 8 March 2016 starting at 8:00pm and finishing at 8.40 pm (circulated 11 Mar 2016)

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Richard Fletcher (RF; Deputy Chairman)

Sue Laing (SL)

John Merkel (JM)

Clerk: Paul Sermon

In attendance:

Felicity Rutland (FR)

Chris Leeming (CL)

**32/16: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Alison Barraclough (AB), John Halsall (JH) and Darrel Poulos; Peter Grace remains on sabbatical.

**33/16: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were made.

**34/16: MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

It was AGREED that the Deputy Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 9 Feb 2016 as a true record of that meeting.

**35/16: MATTERS ARISING**

There was discussion about street cleaning; it was AGREED that The Clerk would contact WBC to check on the extent of service provision. There were no other Matters Arising, other than those appearing in the agenda of this meeting.

**36/16: NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (NP)**

It was noted that the NP questionnaire had not gone out by 1 March, but FR said this would go out soon.

**37/16: PLANNING**

On planning application 153483 (floating pontoons at Hobbs Boatyard, Wargrave Road) it was noted that RPC had outlined its concerns to WBC Planning and asked for a listing; RF and the Clerk would attend the meeting. After a discussion it was AGREED that The Clerk would write to WBC Planning to indicate that it had no comments on planning applications 160204, 160203 and 160202 (The Bungalow and The Barn on Dairy Lane). It was AGREED that The Clerk would check that RPC comments on 28 Aston Lane (152991) and Vyne Cottage (160067) had been received. It was noted that there was to be a meeting with HRR on 4th April on Barn Cottage.

**38/16: WEBSITE**

SL indicated that in Feb 2016 there had been 4135 unique visits to the website, with Guides for Brides, RPC, TV police alerts and 2017 wedding planners being significant users.

**39/16: LICENSING**

The Deputy Chairman commented that RPC would wait to see the outcome of continuing HRR-EA discussions relating to whether the regatta booms remained in place for the Henley Festival.

**40/16: TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS;**

JM asked whether there could be air quality measurements for the Remenham side of the river. RF suggested that relevant points might be White Hill, Wargrave Road and Remenham Lane. It was AGREED that The Clerk would ask WBC/Henley Town Council/JH about what loggers were

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available. The Clerk asked if Henley published their air quality data regularly on the internet. SL commented that the bulbs planted by RAG were now appearing. Following AB's reminder about continued flooding on Aston Lane, it was AGREED The Clerk would check with WBC Highways what could be done.

**41/16: HENLEY ISSUES**

There was nothing to report.

**42/16: FOOTPATHS**

There was a short discussion on JM/DP/The Clerk walking Remenham footpaths. The Clerk reminded the meeting that the WBC rights of way officer had suggested RPC re-consider the two footpaths off White Hill (that operate only in times of flooding).

**43/16: WOKINGHAM ISSUES**

It was noted that there was to be a Local Plan Update meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. RF and The Clerk said they could attend, but that they would also check with JH about his possible attendance. The Clerk reported that the street lamp near The Flower Pot had failed again days after its repair and that WBC action had again been requested.

**44/16: FINANCIAL MATTERS**

One cheque was signed by RF (and The Clerk would seek a second signature before the next meeting); this was for a website domain name:

000617      £31.06      West One Technical Ltd

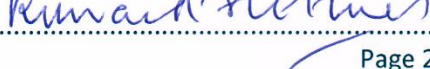
There was discussion about RPC donations to The Church/Churchyard; these were in the budget and were paid until 2014 but had inadvertently lapsed. SL was asked to provide further information to The Clerk after a Parochial Church Council meeting. It was AGREED that these donations should be reinstated and diarised for payment. It was AGREED that the Clerk would seek quotes for (i) a laptop/projector (after The Parish Hall had indicated agreement and checked that their insurance would cover if these were occasionally used/stored there) and (ii) two hardwood noticeboards (one near the Parish Hall and the other near Leander).

**45/16: ANY OTHER BUSINESS;** There was a short discussion about The Queen's Birthday but no decisions were reached. CL suggested that a Maypole be purchased. The Clerk would investigate the cost of one Maypole.

**46/16: DATE OF NEXT MEETING;** 12 April 2016 at 8pm in the Parish Hall.

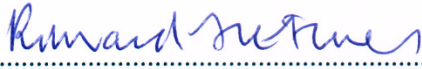
*ACTIONS by The Clerk to:*

contact WBC to check on the extent of street cleaning service provision  
write to WBC Planning to indicate that it had no comments on planning applications 160204, 160203 and 160202 (The Bungalow and The Barn on Dairy Lane) and find out the date of the 153483 listing meeting  
check that RPC comments on 28 Aston Lane (152991) and Vyne Cottage (160067) had been received  
ask WBC/Henley Town Council/JH about what air quality loggers were available  
check with WBC Highways what could be done about flooding in Aston Lane  
check with JH about his possible attendance at the Local Plan Update meeting in March  
seek three quotes for a laptop/projector  
check with the Parish Hall over the laptop/projector use/storage/insurance  
seek three quotes for two hardwood noticeboards and check the costs of a Maypole

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SL to provide further information to The Clerk (after a Parochial Church Council meeting) on RPC donations to The Church/Churchyard (SL e-mailed budget reminder: Newsletter £700; Church £700; Parish Hall £700)

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