

RAVENSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8th NOVEMBER 2022

Present

Cllr A Ayres (Chair)
Cllr R Addinall
Cllr B Hird

6 Members of the Parish

Cllr Ayres welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. To receive and note **apologies for absence.**

Cllr Robinson had sent her apologies.

2. To receive '**Declarations of Interest**' in items on the agenda

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. To approve the **minutes** of the meeting held on the:

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th September 2022 were approved.

4. **Matters Arising/Open Forum**

In following up the situation regarding the Gayles quarry application, Cllr Addinall informed the meeting about the work of the campaign team which he had joined. In particular, the monitoring of the survey being done on the transport routes on behalf of Stainton Quarry and the team's meeting with Baroness Harris and her husband to share concerns and secure Richmond town support. Comments regarding the application can be added to the NYCC planning portal until 31 December 2022.

The maintenance on the village green benches proposed at the last meeting had been completed. Thanks were given to the working party of Mark Addinall, Ken Bell and Sean & Jackie Brinicombe.

The streetlight repair ref 300044 reported on 8th September is still 'in process'.

Residents reported that progress continues to be made with the various issues regarding the Forge Farm Development.

The PC continues to support and follow the '20's plenty' campaign. Cllr Ayres is due to attend a workshop at Richmond Highways Area Office at Brompton on 11 November and will report back at the next meeting.

There was some discussion about the new unitary authority, devolution and the numerous consultation processes that were being undertaken e.g., let's talk local, money, devolution, etc.

5. Finance & Payments

Since the last meeting the PC has received £5.04 in bank interest and made payments for defibrillator pads £60, new planters for the Green £139.95 and oil for the benches £28.78. While the account is £13821.46 in credit, the grass cutting bill for the season £1364.40 is yet to be paid.

6. Planning Applications & Updates

There is an application to build a new single storey 3 bedroomed dwelling on a vacant flat site off Flatts Bank. The plans incorporate the latest renewable technologies and meet modern demands for zero carbon.

There is a proposal to replace the existing marquee attached to the Tea Room at Mainsgill with a glazed extension.

7. Village Hall

Cllr Robinson provided the following information.

Repairs itemised in the previous minutes i.e., 2,3 & 4 were now complete and had been paid for from the Village Hall Account. Item 1 Roof work will be addressed next.

Events organized by the Friends of the Village Hall

30th October Scarecrow Trail There were 14 scarecrows displayed by residents and visitors to the trail made voluntary donations totaling £112.44.

24th November Soup, dessert and hot drink lunch 12-2.30 pm

19th December Wreath making and refreshments 7-9 pm

21st December Xmas refreshments and carols with Sinterklaas Brass 7.15 pm

RVH continues to provide a community venue for hire and advertises regularly in the local flyer.

RVH appreciates the local support and welcomes your comments, suggestions and feedback.

8. Village Green

Further repair to the lower track should be completed in December.

The PC continues to investigate ways by which traffic on the tracks can be better controlled so that wear and tear to the road surface and The Green itself can be minimised.

9. Any other Business

The meeting was reminded about the deliberate damage caused to a vehicle parked in Mill Close adjacent to the pub garden at the end of September. A message had been sent out to residents seeking information and encouraging vigilance.

A number of residents had raised concern regarding the loss of public footpath outside 6 Mill Close. It is understood that the problem was being dealt with by RDC.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 7 February 2023 at 7pm.
The Meeting Closed at 20.30.**