

RUDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Amenities Committee meeting

Held at St Peter's Rooms on Wednesday 23rd May 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

Membership

	D J Hall	Chairman
	K Piggott	Vice Chairman
A	Mrs S Godfrey	
	Mrs A Auckland	
	Mrs J Reedman	
	M Pinks	
A	E Storr	
A	S Kirby	

Action

PCO =
Parish
Council
Office

PCG =
Parish
Council
Ground
staff

Persons absent are marked 'A'

Persons representing the Parish Council on other business are marked 'O'

Also in Attendance

S Peacock	Deputy Clerk
P Reedman	Chairman of Environment and Policy
2 members of the public	

A. 18/05/01 Apologies for Absence

Councillor E Storr, Councillor S Kirby and Councillor Mrs S Godfrey

A. 18/05/02 Declaration of Member's Interests and Dispensations for non-participation

Councillor Mrs A Auckland item 10 Wilford Road Allotments

A. 18/05/03 Minutes

- The minutes of the meeting held on 28th March 2018, having previously been circulated, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

A. 18/05/04 Action List Update

An update on actions resulting from the recommendations had previously been circulated.

Members noted this information.

A. 18/05/05 Policing Update

Crime Figures supplied for information only for April 2018.

Members noted this information.



A. 18/05/06 Motion for Adjournment

Mrs B Venes raised a question on item 10 Wilford Road Allotments. She wanted to know which part of the allotment driveway was being improved. It was confirmed the works would be done on the driveway within the confines of the allotment. Mrs B Venes was in support of what was being proposed.

Committee in Session

A. 18/05/07 Development

New Applications

Resolved that: The observations contained in Planning Schedule 813 are adopted.

A. 18/05/08 St Peter's Rooms – Request to waive or reduce rental for a booking

A request has been received from the Hermitage Pre-School to waive or reduce the booking fee for an event on 2nd June 2018 selling pre loved baby and children's toys and clothes. The proceeds are for the Hermitage Pre – School which is a local charity.

Members asked whether there was a policy on the waiving of booking fees for charitable events. Currently there is no policy and each request is considered on its merits.

It is proposed that a formal policy is agreed for the waiving of booking fees for local charitable events.

Resolved that: the Parish Council will waive the booking fee completely for the letting of Parish Council premises when the request is made by a local charity or by a local branch of a national charity, providing the request is not made more than once a year.

PCO

A. 18/05/09 WW1 100 years Centenary and end of the war Commemoration

There has been a number of memorial street furniture advertised to commemorate the 100 years Centenary and end of WW1.

A local firm based in Grantham has produced a number of bespoke benches and other street furniture commemorating the WW1 100 year's centenary.

After a discussion it was agreed that the Chairman of Amenities Committee and one other member of the Committee, Councillor Mrs Jill Reedman would visit the company and bring back suggestions for a bench to be sited in the memorial garden and a plaque for the memorial.

Local businesses, and Borough Councillors and County Councillors would be approached for contributions towards the cost of the bench and plaque. The British Legion would also be consulted on the design.



Resolved that: a report will be brought back to Amenities Committee with suggested designs after the visit to the local firm specialising in bespoke street furniture, together with costings and potential contributions from local businesses and Borough and County Councillors.

A. 18/05/10 Wilford Road Allotments works to driveway

The annual risk management assessment has identified that the existing driveway on the allotment site has an uneven surface and has protruding bricks and other hard core. This is a trip hazard and also has the potential to damage council vehicles that require access to the site for rubbish removal and leaving grass cuttings for compost.

A number of contractors have been approached and due to the specialist nature of the works only one contractor has supplied an estimate.

The work will involve digging out the existing driveway, remove the rubble and supply a membrane liner and road stone to reinstate the driveway. The estimated cost of the works is £2,500 plus VAT and will be met from the earmarked reserve for small amenities projects.

Resolved that: the Amenities Committee accepts the quotation on the basis of the specialist nature of the work, for the works to the driveway on the allotment site at an estimated cost of £2,500 plus VAT and funded from the earmarked reserve for small amenities projects.

A. 18/05/11 St Mary's Park Flooding

St Mary's Park open space is leased from the Rushcliffe Borough Council for use by the Parish Council as a play area.

There has been a complaint by local residents that backs onto St Marys' Park about flooding in his back garden from water ingress from the playing field. Recently the Parish Council's ride - on mower got stuck in mud in a boggy area near the resident's garden with the drainage issue.

The Parish Council has contacted Rushcliffe Borough Council to discuss a way forward and to determine whose responsibility it would be for any remedial works necessary.

Resolved that: the report is noted and any response from Rushcliffe Borough Council to be reported to a future Amenities Committee.

A. 18/05/12 Reports on Amenities matters only

A resident has offered an oak sapling from an acorn from the Royal estate, part of a batch from the woodland trust, to the Parish Council, to commemorate the Royal Wedding could the Parish Council plant it on Parish property?

A site on Elms Park playing field has been set aside to plant trees where it does not interfere with residential properties. It is proposed that the acorn sapling should be planted there.

There were no other reports on Amenities matters.

Meeting closed at 8.07 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. Hall', written in a cursive style.

Committee Chairman