

RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES
17th JUNE 2019

At a meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Monday 17th June 2019 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

Cllrs: G. Barker, I. Brown, A. Daniels, D. Greaves, D. Hendrick, A. Howitt, A. Larner, G. Roberts, S. Roscoe, M. Rothwell, K. Stevenson-Black, J. Tasker, and G. Ward.

3 members of the public were present.

19.56 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr W Williams.

19.57 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

19.58 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 13th MAY 2019

It was resolved that the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on the 13th May 2019 should be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

19.59 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 13th MAY 2019

It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on the 13th May 2019 should be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

19.60 TO RECEIVE MERSEYSIDE POLICE MONTHLY STATISTICS REPORT

Resolved that the report of the crime statistics for Rainhill be noted. Cllrs Greaves and Tasker had met with the Police. A pod was to be present at Houghton Street on 18.6.19 raising awareness of crime prevention. Residents were encouraged to report all crime through the 101 Police contact line or social media, to ensure every incident was recorded.

19.61 CLERK'S REPORT

It was resolved that the contents of the Clerk's report be noted and that the tour of open spaces would be held on Monday 1st July commencing at 6.30pm. Cllr Tasker would be emergency contact during the Clerk's absence.

19.62 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

It was resolved to note the following actions taken in relation to planning applications:

The following applications be left to neighbourhood consultation and that no additional comments be submitted:

P/2019/0312 - Loyola Hall, Warrington Road, listed building consent for the creation of external staircase to incorporate new entrance.

P/2019/0311 - Loyola Hall, Warrington Road, external staircase to incorporate new entrance.

P/2019/0360 - Loyola Hall, Warrington Road, consent to display 2no externally illuminated fascia signs to front entrance wall.

P/2019/0339 - Loyola Hall, Warrington Road, listed building consent to display 2no externally illuminated fascia signs to front entrance wall.

P/2019/0381 - 576A Warrington Road, to replace existing windows to first floor flat above retail unit.

P/2019/0390 - 660 Warrington Road, detached garage.

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P/2019/0397 - Rainhill High School Media Arts College, Warrington Road, erection of mono-pitched single storey building to incorporate 2no classrooms, 2no storage rooms within the existing sports block quad.

P/2019/0414 - 15 Porter Close, single storey front extension and single storey rear extension.

P/2019/0422 - 1 Sandhurst Road, erection of a two storey side, single storey rear and front porch extensions.

P/2019/0426 - 21 Old Lane, certificate of lawfulness for erection of single storey rear extension.

An objection had been submitted to the following applications:

P/2019/0346 - Sandy Carr Farm, Farmhouse Hall Lane, erection of a single storey rear extension along with a single storey front extension, and

P/2019/0349 - Sandy Carr Farm Farmhouse, Hall Lane, erection of a two storey annexe.

19.63 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

It was resolved that the following items were approved for payment:

Payee	Description	Amount	Ref
D. Milner	Haulage of Rocket for celebration weekend	4440.00	TFR379
Water Plus	AFP Playing Fields – June	174.44	DD
Water Plus	Holt Playing Fields – June	6.33	STO
Npower	Martin Close (Holt) - June	41.00	STO
Scottish Power	Deepdale Drive (AF Park) - June	10.00	STO
St Helens Council	Wildflower sowing & maintenance	1947.14	TFR374
St Helens Council	Remembrance Day Road Closure 2018	392.00	TFR375
G Pinder	Telephone	15.00	
	Salary - June (less Tax, NI & Pens)	1190.06	
	Flowers for Telephone Kiosk	55.00	
	Printer Inks	15.65	
		1275.71	TFR376
Merseyside Pension Fund	LGPS – June	332.08	TFR377
HMRC	Tax & NI (Apr - Jun)	710.24	TFR380
Vinyline	Updating Honours Board	48.00	TFR381
Pro Event	Security for Rocket 190	3975.44	TFR382
Parish & Town Training, Lancashire	Effective Meetings Workshop x2	50.00	085
LALC	LALC Annual Conference x1	35.00	086
Unity Trust Bank	Bank Charges	18.00	DD
Village Hall	Balance of 2018/19 Grant	515.14	TFR383

19.64 TO CONSIDER THE ACTIONS OF THE ROCKET 190 GROUP

Resolved that the actions of the Rocket 190 Group be noted. A meeting would be held on 21st October, 7.30pm to establish the Rocket 200 Steering Group. Members of the Rocket 190 Steering Group would be invited, together with all those expressing an interest in volunteering.

19.65 TO CONSIDER THE POSITION OF TWO TREES IN THE TREE PLANTING PROJECT

Resolved that no further trees would be planted as part of this project, due to excessive cost. Grants would be sought from Woodland Trust for planting in alternative locations, this would be given further consideration at the next meeting.

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19.66 TO CONSIDER THE PROVISION OF PLAY EQUIPMENT AT ALBERT FELLOWES PARK

Resolved to defer a decision on this item until after the tour of open spaces.

19.67 TO CONSIDER REQUEST TO HIRE HOLT LANE PLAYING FIELDS

Further information was required to assess the request. Resolved that the applicant be invited to meet with the Parish Council, possibly at the tour of open spaces.

19.68 TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM RAINHILL UNITED FOR LONG TERM LEASE AT ALBERT FELLOWES PARK

Resolved that the Parish Council has no objection to a long-term agreement with Rainhill United at Albert Fellowes Park, subject to a number of criteria to be agreed. Rainhill United be invited to meet with the Parish Council to discuss the criteria.

19.69 TO CONSIDER A SERVICE TO MARK MERCHANT NAVY DAY

Resolved that a service would be held at 6pm on 3rd September 2019 to mark Merchant Navy Day.

19.70 TO CONSIDER THE CRITERIA FOR THE GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Resolved that the members of the Good Citizenship Award panel discuss proposed changes to the criteria for eligibility and report back to the next Parish Council meeting.

19.71 TO CONSIDER THE PARISH COUNCIL'S FACEBOOK AND WEB PAGES

Resolved that Cllrs. Rothwell, Stevenson-Black and Williams discuss a series of guidelines and standards for the operation of the Parish Council's social media activity and report back to the next Parish Council meeting.

19.72 TO CONSIDER RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS

Resolved that the complaints in the agenda report be noted and:

The issue of litter be considered following an assessment of:

- The number and location of existing bins
- The cost of provision and feasibility of recycling bins and dog waste bags
- St.Helens Council's current bin collection regime
- The cost of private collection contracts

The item would be considered further at a future meeting.

The issue of anti-social behaviour at Houghton Street would be monitored. Consideration would be given to making the area less attractive for ball games; Ward Councillors would use their social media pages to inform parents of issues being caused; and the PCSO would be asked to patrol the area throughout the school holiday period.

The availability of gas canisters was a national problem but no legislation existed to prevent their availability. It was considered that a campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of the use of gas canisters was needed and an item would be added to the next agenda to discuss how to take this forward.

A meeting would be arranged with Rainhill High School to discuss a number of new initiatives.

Issues regarding a dog exercise facility and 5 aside play pitch would be added to the next agenda.

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19.73 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES ON LOCAL ORGANISATIONS


Resolved that the Council noted the following reports:

- Public Open Spaces: All items had been discussed on the agenda.
- Village Hall Management Committee: Contact had been established with the group. Cllrs Hendrick and Tasker would also like to attend.
- Rainhill Railway & Heritage Society: the next meeting was scheduled for 1st July.
- Merseyside Association of Local Councils: Cllr Rothwell to attend next meeting, date to be confirmed.
- Rainhill Gala: Cllr Lerner would attend the next meeting on 10th July. The Parish Council requested that appreciation for the contribution of the Gala Committee to the Rocket 190 celebrations be expressed.
- 4F Centre: Cllrs Greaves and Tasker had attended their first Committee meeting on 6.6.19. The centre was well utilised but would benefit from more exposure on social media. CCTV cameras were to be fitted internally together with an external security light to the rear. The centre was financially stable, but additional fund raising events were being considered to boost funds. Youth Club facilities had been suggested but needed further investigation to ensure adequate management.

19.74 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was resolved that the next ordinary meeting would be held on Monday 29th July 2019, starting at 7:30pm, the venue being Rainhill Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.27 pm.



Chair of the Parish Council
29th July 2019