

RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES
14th OCTOBER 2019

At a meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Monday 14th October 2019 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

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

Ward Councillor B. Grunewald and 2 members of the public were present.

19.126 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs: D. Greaves, D. Hendrick, and G. Roberts.

19.127 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Howitt declared an interest in planning application P/2019/0752.

19.128 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 2nd SEPTEMBER 2019

It was resolved that the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on the 2nd September 2019 should be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

19.129 TO RECEIVE MERSEYSIDE POLICE MONTHLY STATISTICS REPORT

Resolved that the report of the crime statistics for Rainhill be noted.

19.130 CLERK'S REPORT

It was resolved that the contents of the Clerk's report be noted. It was agreed that Cllr Larner would join the Recruitment Working Group and Cllr Tasker would assist with the interviewing panel. Cllr Ward reported that there had been an underwhelming response to the fibre broadband campaign, however a price would still be pursued from Openreach. Members would make a final publicity push through social media before the submission was made to Openreach.

19.131 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

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

P/2019/0616 15 Lawton Road Works to trees in a conservation area, to remove second row of trees adjacent to highway, and reduce height to first row by 50%.

P/2019/0635 Retention of private gym (D2 use) Forge Fitness and Boxing, 456 Warrington Road.

P/2019/0641 Works to trees in a conservation area, to reduce and crown thin 1no maple and 1no beech, 521 Warrington Road.

P/2019/0651 Single storey side extension and loft conversion to rear 605 Warrington Road.

P/2019/0655 Flat to pitched roof on existing two storey side extension, 19 Mossdale Drive.

P/2019/0681 Change of use from retail unit to personal training studio, 1 Elgin Court, Dunbeath Avenue.

P/2019/0668/S73 Variation of Condition 3, 4 and 6 on approval P/2019/0027/S73, Valluga, Old Lane.

P/2019/0692 Removal of front wall and creation of driveway and dropped kerb on a classified road, 463 Warrington Road.

P/2019/0713 Certificate of lawfulness for a single storey rear extension, 14 Elmswood Avenue.

P/2019/0714 Certificate of lawfulness for single storey rear extension, 16 Marian Drive.



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An objection had been submitted to the following application:

P/2019/0705 Retention of 2m high boundary wall and 2m high timber gates, 55 St James Road.

No comment has been submitted for the following applications, however the closing date for comments was still open at the time of the meeting:

P/2019/0721 First floor rear extension, 154 Rainhill Road.

P/2019/0725 Single storey rear extension projecting 4.5m from the rear, 3.4m high overall, and 2.52m to the eaves. (following demolition of existing conservatory), 15 Kendricks Fold.

P/2019/0733 Retention of 1no externally illuminated fascia sign, 1no internally illuminated hanging sign, window vinyls and 6no non illuminated poster frames, 371 - 373 Warrington Road.

P/2019/0735 Retention of disabled access ramp, 371 - 373 Warrington Road.

P/2019/0741 Land Adjacent To 5 Exchange Place, Demolition of existing detached store room and erection of 1no retail unit along with 1no first floor flat.

P/2019/0742 391 Warrington Road First floor rear extension.

P/2019/0745 519 & 521 Warrington Road Works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order to remove low level branches from 1no Sycamore, prune back low over hanging branches on 1no beech and fell 1no sycamore tree.

P/2019/0752 The Spinney Mill Lane Works to trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order (TPO 104) to remove 2no elders, to remove 2no sycamores and to prune back 1no sycamore.

P/2019/0753 15 Kendricks Fold Demolition of existing conservatory to rear and erection of single storey rear extension.

19.132 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

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

Payee	Description	Amount	Ref
G Pinder	Photocopying	9.25	
	Clerk's Salary - Oct	1190.06	
	Deduction for overpayment in August	-0.20	
	Telephone	15.00	
	Refreshments for Merchant Navy Day	6.32	
		1220.43	TFR398
Merseyside Pension Fund	LGPS – Oct	332.08	TFR399
Scottish Power	Albert Fellowes Park - Oct	10.00	STO
Npower	Martin Close (Holt) - Oct	30.00	DD
Water Plus	Albert Fellowes Park – Oct	112.58	DD
Water Plus	Holt Playing Fields – Oct	6.33	STO
Kirk Craig Ltd	Service of Roller Shutters at AFP	60.00	TFR400
Rainhill Beer Festival	Advert in programme for Rocket 190	100.00	TFR401
Village Hall	Insurance Premium	2673.61	TFR404
November			
G Pinder	Clerk's Salary - Nov	1190.26	
	Telephone	15.00	
		1205.26	TFR402
Merseyside Pension Fund	LGPS – Nov	332.08	TFR403
Scottish Power	Albert Fellowes Park - Nov	10.00	STO
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19.133 UPDATE ON THE PROVISION OF CCTV CAMERAS IN RAINHILL VILLAGE

Resolved that the report be noted.

19.134 TO CONSIDER PROVISION OF DOG EXERCISE AREA AT OLD LANE PUBLIC OPEN SPACE

Resolved that: the fencing should be 1.8m high and should match the existing nearby fencing – quotes to be returned to the December meeting; that a bin for dog waste only be provided; and that the provision of a bench be reconsidered at a later date.

19.135 TO CONSIDER THE PROVISION OF A MULTI-USE GAMES AREA

Resolved that the Clerk write to St.Helens Council to pursue S.106 money and investigate other forms of funding.

19.136 TO APPROVE THE QUARTERLY BUDGET REPORT AND BANK RECONCILIATION

The Council reviewed the current budgetary position and bank reconciliation, and resolved to approve the report. The Clerk was instructed to investigate Council Tax Support money currently being withheld by St.Helens Council.

19.137 TO APPOINT CONTRACTORS TO UNDERTAKE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE TESTS

Resolved that CC Elec Ltd. be appointed to undertake electrical testing at the sports pavilions.

19.138 TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF VICE CHAIR'S PIN

Resolved that the following bar style badge with a black background be ordered: Ambassador x 10; Vice Chair x 2; and Councillor x 6.

19.139 TO CONSIDER OPTIONS FOR THE .UK WEB SITE DOMAIN NAME

Resolved that retention of the domain name rainhillparish.uk was unnecessary.

19.140 TO CONSIDER CONSULTATION ON THE PROVISION OF ALLOTMENTS

Resolved that a 3 week consultation period be undertaken with properties adjacent to the proposed site and notices be attached to nearby lamp posts. Cllr Daniels offered to deliver the letters.

19.141 TO CONSIDER THE REPAINTING OF THE VILLAGE MILESTONES

Resolved that St.Helens Council be approached, as owners, to undertake the work.

19.142 TO CONSIDER ACTIONS FOR THE REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Resolved that the Parish Council would meeting the cost of the road closure to facilitate the Remembrance Day Service, purchase a wreath, and make a donation to the British Legion.

19.143 TO CONSIDER ISSUES OF LITTER, ASB AND SECURITY IN RAINHILL VILLAGE

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Resolved that a meeting be arranged with the management company of Dane Court regarding litter, anti-social behaviour and security. Also that the local Guides and Scouts be approached to undertake a litter pick in the village.

19.144 TO CONSIDER RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS

Resolved that no further action was needed on the reported complaints. Cllr Brown was thanked for his actions in relation to litter close to the Manor Farm. Cllr Tasker had received complaints regarding parking on Warrington Road and areas around Rainhill High School, with school related activities. He would take this up directly with the school.

19.145 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES ON LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Resolved that the Council noted the following reports:

- Public Open Spaces: All items had been covered in the agenda.
- Village Hall Management Committee: Cllr Daniels invited a visiting member of the VH Management Committee to provide a report: the VH was facing mounting bills associated with music licences and emergency lighting. £50k had been raised over the past year, but more was needed. The fire alarm had been set off by local youths, incurring call out charges, this would be reported to the Police.
Cllr Roscoe suggested an application under the Coop's Save our Spaces project. Future Parish Council fund raisers could be held at the VH.
- Rainhill Railway & Heritage Society: Cllr Ward had informed the society that Network Rail continued to be pursued regarding the signal box.
- Merseyside Association of Local Councils: No report was received.
- Rainhill Gala: No report was received.
- 4F Centre: Cllr Roscoe reported that the trees had been pruned and work was planned to the play structure outside. CCTV had been installed on 28th September. A grant of £200 had been received from the Coop. The Management Group had extended an invitation to Parish Council members to visit the Centre on Tuesday 12 November at 11.15am.

19.146 TO DISCUSS FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

It was requested that the following items be added to the next agenda:

Request for Conservation Area around Rainhill Stoops (AVH)
Purchase of a pop-up stand for future Parish Council events (SR)
Formation of a Steering Committee to coordinate longer term projects (AL)
Activities to commemorate VE Day anniversary (AVH)
Wildflower verges (AVH)
Cyber Crime (KS)
Social Media Policy and Website Update (MR)

19.147 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was resolved that a Finance Meeting would be held on Monday 18th November commencing at 6.30pm, the venue being Rainhill Village Hall. The next ordinary meeting would be held on Monday 16th December 2019, starting at 7:30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm.



Chair of the Parish Council
16th December 2019