

RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES
6th September 2021

At a meeting of the Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Monday 6th September 2021 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

Cllrs: G. Barker, I. Brown, A. Daniels, D. Hendrick, A. Howitt, G. Roberts, S. Roscoe, J. Tasker, G Ward, W. Williams and J. Woodhouse.

5 members of the public were also present.

Prior to commencement of business the meeting was adjourned to allow members of public to raise any concerns. The following points raised:

The possibility of holding a local market day. The member of the public raised the issue of the loss of a fruit and veg shop in the village.

To locate a memorial in memory of the Rocket before 2029

Access issues for wheelchair users and pushchairs – the member of the public has made various business premises aware of access issues for example the Willowbrook Hospice shop have heeded comments and the disabled entrance is now open and active.

The meeting was recommenced.

20.233 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs: D. Greaves, M. Rothwell, K. Stevenson, and Insp Jon Smith

20.234 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

20.235 MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27th July 2021

Resolved that the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on the 27th July 2021 should be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

20.236 TO RECEIVE MERSEYSIDE POLICE MONTHLY STATISTICS REPORT

Resolved that the report of the crime statistics for Rainhill be noted. The Chair expressed disappointment yet again there had been no representation from Merseyside police due to the continuing issues needing to be addressed across Rainhill. The Clerk is still awaiting a reply in relation to issues regarding parent school parking.

20.237 TO NOTE THE CONTENTS OF THE CLERK'S REPORT

It was resolved that the contents of the Clerk's report be noted. GCA ceremony confirmed for Friday 24th September 2021 Guests arriving from 7pm. Volunteers requested to set up the room from 4pm.

20.238 TO CONSIDER 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/2021/0665/HHFP Single storey side extension. 36 Norcliffe Road

P/2021/0673/HHFP Two storey side extension, single storey front porch extension, and alterations to existing single storey rear extension. 18 St Winifred Road

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- P/2021/0675/HHFP Part two storey part single storey rear extension and single storey front porch extension. 543 Warrington Road
- P/2021/0678/HHFP Removal of existing boundary wall/fence, and erection of replacement boundary treatment with entrance gates and associated landscaping. 2 Stonecross Drive
- P/2021/0690/HHPA Single storey rear extension projecting 4m from the rear, 3.5m max height and 2.25m at the eaves. 84 Longton Lane
- P/2021/0703/COT Works to 5no trees in a conservation area 15 Knowsley Road
- P/2021/0704/TPO Works to tree covered by a Tree Protection Order to reduce crown density by 15% with 15% crown reduction and prune branches to 1.5m clearance to 1no beech (TPO 19A)15 Knowsley Road
- P/2021/0707/HHFP Single storey side extension. 129A Stoney Lane
- P/2021/0712/TPO Works to trees covered by a tree preservation order - G1 sycamore - prune back from small shed structure to give up to 3m clearance, reduce overhanging trees on south east edge back from neighbouring property to boundary line where possible. The Spinney Mill Lane
- P/2021/0763/CLP Certificate of lawfulness for a proposed single storey rear extension. 47 Dee Road
- P/2021/0765/HHFP Erection of a detached garage. 55 Old Lane

20.239 TO AUTHORISE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

| AMENDED AUGUST PAYMENTS | Originally Stated | Actual Payment | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------|
| Water Plus | AFP Playing Fields – August was originally stated as 82.71 | 72.48 | DD |
| | Upgrade for storage for 29-06-21 to 5-08-21(5.01+1.01 vat) should have stated (5.07 + 1.01) | 6.08 | |
| Netwise | 2021-2022 support & maintenance charge (300 + 60 vat) | 360.00 | |
| | Total | 366.08 | TFR512 |
| Water Plus | Holt Playing Fields-Aug (20.45 + 2.49 vat) | 22.94 | STO |
| Corona | Martin Close (Holt)-Aug 22.77 + 1.14 vat | 23.91 | STO |

| Payee | Description | Amount | Ref |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| SEPTEMBER PAYMENTS | | | |
| Water Plus | AFP Playing Fields | 72.48 | DD |
| Water Plus | Holt Playing Fields | 22.94 | STO |
| Corona | Martin Close (Holt) | 23.91 | STO |
| Scottish Power | Deepdale Drive (AF Park) | 60.00 | STO |
| K Adamson | Telephone (15.83 + 3.16 vat) | 18.99 | |
| | Salary (less Tax, NI & Pens) | 1063.08 | |
| | Photocopying for July meeting | 4.40 | |
| | Amazon-GCA table coverings | 19.95 | |
| | Total | 1,106.42 | TFR514 |
| Merseyside Pension Fund | LGPS – September | 324.00 | TFR515 |
| HMRC | Tax & NI (JULY- SEPTEMBER) | 452.16 | TFR516 |
| Unity Trust Bank | Bank Charges (Jul - Sep) | 18.00 | DD |
| Zurich Municipal | Insurance Renewal Premium | 1690.73 | TFR517 |
| Forget Me Not | Good Citizenship Awards | 54.99 | TFR518 |

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It was resolved that the items were approved for payment.

20.240 TO ADOPT A REVISED CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ELECTED AND COOPTED MEMBERS

St Helens Council St. Helens Borough Council adopted a new Code of Conduct for Elected & Co-Opted Members on 21 July 2021.

Resolved Rainhill Parish Council members will adopt the new Code of Conduct

20.241 TO CONSIDER ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON

It was proposed the event go ahead on Saturday 27th November 2021 at 5.00pm. A working group Cllrs Hendrick, Daniels, Barker, Howitt and Woodhouse to confirm PA system, electricity access, possible barriers and local school choir.

Resolved that the event should proceed

20.242 TO CONSIDER UNDERTAKING A TOUR OF PUBLIC OPEN SPACES

Agreed tour should take place. Meeting at Holt Lane Open Space at 6.30pm

Resolved the tour will take place on Monday 20th September 2021

20.243 TO CONSIDER A PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS THE SIGNAL BOX

Cllr Tasker confirmed Network rail had provided the following figures. To relocate and restore the signal box would cost around ¼ million pounds. They informed at present to gain access and isolation each time it costs £8-10 thousand. Network rail would like to meet with the community at the beginning of December. A meeting is suggested with the community to enable the Parish Council to provide network rails information and to look at possible options before meeting with Network rail in December.

Resolved a community meeting to take place

20.244 TO CONSIDER THE BIG SCOOP PRINTING QUOTES

Resolved to proceed A3 waterproof posters for outside & A4 posters for shops & noticeboards with a total budget of £30.

Resolved to have posters printed

20.245 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE POSSIBLE PROVISION OF A MULTI USE SPORTS COURT

No update available. The Chair requested when Cllrs Greaves, Daniels & Stevenson have an update to please request the Clerk to include on the agenda.

No update available

20.246 TO CONSIDER PLANTING THE BARRIER BASKETS FOR THE 2022/23 SEASON

The Chair stated he thought the baskets gave a positive image, pleasure and brightness across Rainhill. There would be an issue of maintenance / health & Safety if they were independently

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planted. Cllr Roscoe to research how Rainford progress with their Rainford in Bloom. Vote to go ahead with St Helens Council.

It was resolved to include St Helens Council provision in budget for 2022/2023

20.247 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON DANE COURT BOLLARDS

Cllr Ward reported a St Helens Council representative has been out to site as hazard tape & cones have been put around the unsafe bollard. Cllr Ward will continue to monitor.

The update was noted

20.248 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON PROVISION OF BLEED KITS

Cllr Daniels has contacted N.W Medical supplies who are requesting direct information from the manufacturers. Once further information is obtained Cllrs Daniels will update.

The update was noted

20.249 TO CONSIDER IF FURTHER DEFIBRILLATORS ARE REQUIRED

Locations discussed. It was agreed there is limited 24hr accessibility towards the stoops end of the village. The Clerk to contact 3 possible locations to assess possible sites.

It was resolved to progress with identifying possible site location

20.250 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE PROVISION OF THE MEMORIAL STONE

Cllr Williams provided an update and ideal location being somewhere central to the village. Suggested when doing the tour of open spaces locations could be discussed. Cllr Daniels suggested if no suitable location available then the members could look at a possible plaque. Cllr Williams to provide resize dimensions.

The update was noted.

20.251 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES ON LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

Resolved that the Council noted the following reports:

- **Public Open Spaces:** None
- **Village Hall Management Committee:** Tuesday 14th September 21 next meeting. There are a few classes starting to return and bookings pencilled in. Cllr Daniels will suggest to village hall committee the possibility of introducing a holding fee. The Chair has requested Cllr Daniels to make the committee aware if the Parish Council can in any way provide support in promoting to please ask.
- **Rainhill Railway & Heritage Society:** Cllr G. Ward confirmed they are carrying on with the upgrading of the IT systems and are looking at the possibility of a touchscreen.
- **Merseyside Association of Local Councils:** No update.
- **Rainhill Gala:** No update
- **4F Centre:** Cllr Barker confirmed next meeting on 23rd September 21. Waiting on trees being trimmed back then sign can be ordered. Box junction has been put in place on the road directly in front of entrance.

20.252 TO CONSIDER RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS

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Resolved that the complaints reported in the agenda report be noted and: when completing the open spaces tour information will be gathered and assessed.


20.253 TO DISCUSS FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Market Day, Access Issues, Forge Fitness – placement of defibrillator, Broadband update, Future 100th Birthdays, Remembrance Sunday Service Packhorse Bridge, Bleed Kits (Update Cllr Daniels), Defibrillators, Dane Court Bollards (update Cllr Ward)

20.254 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was resolved that the next ordinary meeting would be held on Monday 11th October 2021, starting at 7:30pm, the venue being Rainhill Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.22 pm.



Chair of the Parish Council
11th October 2021