**ROSLISTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**South Derbyshire District in the County of Derby**

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Parish Council**

**Held at 7.00pm on Monday 26th September 2022**

**Present:** Cllrs Mrs S Marbrow (Chairperson), Mrs C Davoll (Vice), Mrs B Evans, P Marbrow,

T Waddington, B Matkin

**Officers:** S Lloyd (Clerk & RFO)

**Also Present:** County Cllr S Swann, District Cllr Mrs M Bridgen, Rev. Bruce Johnson

**51.22** **Apologies**

None

**52.22 Declaration of Members Interests**

None declared

**53.22 Public Speaking**

Rev. Johnson thanked the council for his welcome to the villages. He explained his intentions to integrate the Church into the communities more. He has met with local schools and preschools. It is also being considered to open Rosliston Church on a fortnightly basis for a coffee morning. The Chairperson advised that the Parish Council send out a newsletter to residents, the next being at Christmas and if Rev. Johnson would like to include any content, he would be welcome to send it to her. Rev. Johnson explained he is looking to confirm the most suitable location to store the Books of Condolence, the council agreed it would suggest the Magic Attic as the best place for residents to view the books. Clerk to email Rev. Johnson the details. Plans for Remembrance in the area were also discussed.

**54.22 County Council**

Cllr Swann’s report:

Crossroads: Burton Road/Rosliston Road/Caldwell Road, Barn Lane, Cllr Swann met with DCC’s Principal Engineer (Traffic & Safety) and the Cabinet Support Member for Highways to discuss necessary measures to improve safety at the crossroads prior to the implementation of any agreed long-term solution. He has asked for measures that can be delivered within the next 3 months and others in 3 to 6 months.

Possible poisoned’ Tree, Main Street. The Inspector has confirmed the tree is dead but can’t conclusively say that it has been poisoned. A report is being prepared for the tree to be felled. It is suggested that a small tree species is planted but the overhead cables directly above the verge make this a far from ideal planting location. The Parish Council’s views on the location of the new tree are sought.

Walton on Trent Bypass and Bridge Matters have not progressed further to my report to Rosliston Parish Councillors on 18th July.

Culvert/Flooding Update: A detailed report was shared with the Parish Council concluding that the repairs have not progressed as hoped.

The Government has now approved the devolution deal with the East Midlands set to receive £1.14billion over 30 years to invest in the region in the region.

County Council Motion: HGVs - Call to Ban Use of Car Sat Navs As one of the measures needed to improve matters for residents in respect of the blight caused by HGVs using our local roads inappropriately, Cllr Swann gave notice of the motion on 14th September, as

communities across Derbyshire are blighted by HGVs driving along routes not suitable for vehicles of their weight and size.

Council asked Cllr Swann to press Highways to get the hedge at Knightswood cut back more, as it is still difficult to pass and encroaching across the pavement.

Council also asked if Cllr Swann can press for the works to be completed at Walton Corner.

The clerk will also email the clerk of works to press for this to be actioned, as the council fears the work will not be done once the developers have sold the last property. Clerk to confirm on email to Cllr Swann the exact location the council would like the tree replacing the poisoned one, council agreed it should be in the same location.

**55.22 District Council**

Cllr Bridgen expressed her concern that ditches around the village are still not kept clear, although SDDC have inspected some and said they are OK. Cllr Bridgen advised that Rosliston is not the only Parish Council to be told they will have to take on responsibility of the inspections and maintenance of the play equipment, even though SDDC have always completed the inspections and any repairs. Cllr Bridgen also advised this matter is to be taken to the Chief Executive.

The Pavilion at Strawberry Lane was discussed and agreed it is in desperate need of repair and mprovement, the building is SDDC owned. Cllr Matkin expressed some concern that any investment the Parish Council makes to the Strawberry Lane area must be considered against the possibility of SDDC wishing to sell the land for development. Cllr P Marbrow shared plans drawn up to show possible improvements to the Pavilion.

Cllr Evans asked if Cllr Bridgen could chase the new street signs for Yew Tree Gardens and Yew Tree Road, as people are reporting more issues with taxis and drivers going to the wrong address.

The amount of police activity at 2 Knightswood properties was discussed. Cllr Bridgen has spoken with the housing association, but unfortunately no improvement has been made to date. Cllr Bridgen advised she will raise the matter with the Safer Neighbourhood team.

**56.22 Police**

Crime figures were reported as July: 1 public order, 1 sexual offence. August: 1 assault

**57.22 Minutes**

Council **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the council meetings held on Monday 18th July 2022.

**58.22 Chairpersons Announcements**

Chairperson has a neighbourhood watch survey, which she will share with council and clerk will share on the website and Facebook page. Chairperson advised that she has not heard from DALC yet on the Best Council Award. She also asked council to look in detail at the Strawberry Lane plans. She also asked council to consider where the Christmas lights should be used this year and if trees should be purchased. Item to be on October’s agenda.

**59.22 Clerks Report**

**a Village Planters**

Cllr P Marbrow advised there are 4 unused concrete planters, it was **RESOLVED** Cllr

Waddinton will obtain a quote for the removal of them.

**b Walton Corner**

Council expressed concern that no works will be completed once the final house is sold. Clerk

to press the DCC Clerk of Works to ensure the developer completes the work asap

**c Strawberry Lane Trees**

Clerk to chase SDDC tree officer, trees have not been surveyed as yet

**d Strawberry Lane bridge incline too high**

Clerk to advise Footpath officer, this is FP23, there is also a fallen tree across the path to be

removed

**e CO OP broken fence**

Not fixed or removed, clerk to contact again and ask it to be taken down

**f Kerb Vegetation**

Clerk to seek support from Cllr Bridgen to resolve, as this hasn’t been actioned

**g Bus stops signs illegible**

Clerk to chase DCC for replacements

**h Swadlincote Girls & Scouts**

Scouts have paid their share of the last water bill. The contact with the football team and agreement was discussed and it was agreed a tap will be provided for the allotment holders, however, in the long term, rainwater collection is in the plans. The last annual water bill was approx. £240,which will be equally split with the PC, scouts, and football team. The scouts have their own electricity supply. Clerk to advise the football team.

**60.22 Finance**

**a** The council approved following payments

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| Payroll | July salary. 5 wks, 7 hrs p.week, to 29 July 2022 & standing exp @ £26 p.month (less tax)  Travel for meeting, 45p per mile x 6 miles (July)  August salary. 4 wks, 7 hrs p.week, to 26 Aug 2022 & standing exp @ £26 p.month (less tax) | 545.20  2.70  457.72 | 0.00 | 545.20  2.70  457.72 |
| HMRC | Income tax | 28.20 | 0.00 | 28.20 |
| Les Hubbard | Inv.56. Lawns, rec, strimming, hedge on green, allotments work (£100) | 725.00 | 0.00 | 725.00 |
| Emma Widness | August and September litter picks | 140.00 | 0.00 | 140.00 |
| Meadowview | Tree works around play equipment at village hall | 750.00 | 0.00 | 750.00 |
| RA Pickering & son | Allotment ground and fence works | 3374.00 | 0.00 | 3374.00 |
| RTC Surfaces | Black repair kit (by play equip) | 160.00 | 32.00 | 192.00 |
| S Marbrow | Reimburse for Room hire (£20)Stakes for allotments (22.95) Printer cartridges for newsletter (£34.99) | 77.94 | 0.00 | 77.94 |
|  | TOTAL |  |  | £6292.76 |

**61.22 Planning**

No new planning applications

**62.22 Outside meetings and training**

The Village Hall Committee have not met.

Cllr Evans met with the Diversity Manager who suggested for part of Strawberry Lane field,

waving paths through longer grasses, with small trees, possibly fruit, a focus on the POW

history, possibly an information board. He also offered some possible funding opportunities.

Cllr P Marbrow suggested it would be useful to draw up the plans and our

Chairperson advised the council needs a robust management plan for Strawberry Lane. It

was **RESOLVED** Cllrs Evans and Davoll will put together a plan to share with council. This

plan will also be used to form part of the public consultation with nearby residents.

It was confirmed that Cllrs Evans and Davoll will attend the next area forum. Chairperson will

attend the next Flood Liaison meeting.

Chairperson also advised that DALC are looking to move to being a company which has

implications for staff and may affect membership prices.

**63.22 Correspondence**

The correspondence report was noted. The email from a resident on the use and repair of Strawberry Lane was noted.

**64.22** **Items for Discussion/decision**

**a Civility Pledge (DALC July newsletter)**

Deferred to Octobers meeting

**b Update on allotments and next steps inc. Expenditure to date (attached) Agree contract and signage**

Cllr P Marbow advised there are 19 plots in total. There has been a high number of people initially interested who have not now taken up a plot. Some quotes have been received for the paving and funding will need to be sought to cover the costs. It was agreed that Cauldwell falls within the 1 mile of the village, as stipulated in the contract. A discussion took place around amendments to the agreement, which was led by our Chairperson. Clerk to confirm with the defib owners at the Pavilion that they are happy for the allotment holders to access it. It was **RESOLVED** that the agreement will be issued asap to those taking up plots. It was also **RESOLVED** that the Chairperson will purchase a sign, approx. A4 in size, to put on the fencing.

**c Forestry Centre parking**

Council discussed this matter, various ideas were considered, it was **RESOLVED** that the clerk should contact the Forestry Centre and ask them to put together a polite and positive notice which could be used by any residents experiencing issues with parking by their homes to place on car windscreens. The notice should be to remind those parking in the village that their parking fee goes a long way to maintain and support the Forestry Centre for the publics continued enjoyment.

At this point, it was **RESOLVED** to add an additional 15 minutes to complete the meeting.

**d Pavilion plans**

Our Chairperson and Cllr P Marbrow shared plans drawn up to improve the Pavilion showers, toilets, and installation of a disabled toilet. There is also currently no hot water supply. The detailed plan was considered, and it is expected to need approx. £32k to complete. Other areas of development discussed were possibly tarmacking the lane to the field. It was agreed further thought and discussion is needed on this topic. All councillors to consider in advance of Octobers meeting.

**e Play equipment on the recreation ground**

See District Council minute 55.22

**f Update on the SIDS and next steps**

Our Chairperson advised all papers are completed and the council is awaiting the licence from DCC.

**g Budget plan for 2023-24**

Clerk to prepare draft budget for October meeting

**h Enquiry for land to the rear of the village hall**

The land is owned by the Parish Council, however there are restrictive covenants on the land, preventing construction. The council considered the sale of part of the land; however, it was **RESOLVED** not to sell this, on the basis of impacting on the children’s play area.

**65.22 Items for Information only**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.00pm on **Monday**

**24th October 2022,** at the meeting room, Bulls Head, Main Street, Rosliston.

Signed ………………………………………. (Chair)

Date ………………………………………