

RINGSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Ringstead Parish Council held on Wednesday 14th June 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs: R Phillips; R Hall; C Harris; G Underwood; Ms K du Boulay; G Slack; R Talbot; Mrs C Marston

In Attendance: Mrs L Marshall (Clerk to the Council)

		Action
RPC17/131	There was no public present.	
RPC17/132	Apologies were received and accepted by the Council for Cllr J Hornsey who was away on holiday.	
RPC17/133	There were no Declarations of Interest received.	
RPC17/134	Resolved that the Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 10 th May be signed by the Chair as a true reflection of the meeting.	
RPC17/135	The Clerk's report was received and accepted . Discussions took place regarding Item 7 and the closure of the car park at Kinewell Lake. It was noted that as the barrier is currently broken the car park cannot actually be closed anyway. It was agreed that initially the Kinewell Trust would obtain quotes for the repairs works. It was noted that with regards to Item 4 the Parish Council would no longer provide refreshments at the Cinema Night.	Kinewell Trust
RPC17/136	Resolved that the Balance of Accounts and Bank Reconciliation be accepted by the Council. It was noted that the current balance as at 31.05.17 stood at £24,511.58.	
RPC17/137	The Chairman approved and signed the bank statements.	
RPC17/138	Resolved that the Monthly Budget Review be accepted by the Council. It was agreed that Cllr C Harris would keep a diary of the bin collections and note any missed dates. Resolved that the Parish Council <i>vire</i> the sum of £84.76 from its reserves.	CH
RPC17/139	Resolved to adopt the Internet Banking Policy & Risk Assessment.	
RPC17/140	Resolved that in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders and Financial Regulations that all payments be made, including the additional invoice for Urban & Rural Landscapes in the sum of £2,022.73. The cheques were duly signed.	
RPC17/141	Resolved that the Clerk would look into the process of applying for the General Power of Competence.	
RPC17/142	Resolved following discussions that the Parish Council cannot compromise with regards to (i) selling the land; (ii) its position of the boundary and (iii) the costs on making the land in question good (i.e. putting back to how it originally was).	
RPC17/143	Resolved following the APM that we would hold an open meeting as a Neighbourhood Planning meeting and see if anyone was interested in taking it further.	
RPC17/144	Resolved that the positioning of the memorial bench application be declined, but the Clerk is to write offering an alternative location. The Clerk is also to make contact with the owners of the two benches already at the cemetery by the graves as they will need moving soon. Resolved that the Rules & Regulations will need updating when the new section of the cemetery is open.	Clerk
RPC17/145	Police drop-in session dates were noted.	
RPC17/146	The locking of the car park at Kinewell Lake was dealt with earlier in the meeting.	
RPC17/147	Defibrillator: Cllr R Talbot reported that the Clerk had purchased the new pads. It was agreed that as there had been very little uptake for the Basic First Aid training that this would not now be pursued.	
RPC17/148	Traffic Movement Advisory Committee: Cllr G Slack reported that SpeedWatch is coming to its end now so we now need a plan for putting up the speed sign at regular intervals and	

other signage. He further advised that he hasn't seen the camera van in the village and so will chase on this. Finally he advised that he will also chase Highways for any updates.

RPC17/149 Lighting: Cllr C Marston reported that we are waiting on Balfour Beatty and Western Power to visit the village following requests for repairs.

RPC17/150 Open Spaces: Cllr C Harris reported that the bins hadn't been emptied again last week. As agreed earlier, he will now keep a diary of events. He further reported that one of the timber items of play equipment in the Peace Park had been taken out of its hole; but he had re-fixed it. He concluded that rubbish in the Peace Park is a continual problem.

The Clerk reported that Wicksteeds would be undertaking their annual inspection within about 6 weeks. Cllr C Harris reported that Wilby Tree Surgeons were undertaking the tree survey on Monday.

Discussions took place regarding the Football Club and the lack of contact. It was agreed that the Clerk would try again to make contact.

Cllr R Phillips handed round a plan of the burial ground and advised that he and Cllr C Harris had attended the site to ascertain what works would need to be undertaken in preparation of opening up the new section. Following discussions it was agreed that Cllr R Phillips would obtain the necessary quotes for the works. He also advised that we should start thinking about contacting the land owner with a view to purchasing another strip of land.

RPC17/151 Village Garden: It was agreed that Cllrs G Underwood; C Harris and Mrs C Marston, together with the Clerk, would get together regarding the wording for the sign. The Clerk will liaise regarding a meeting date. Cllr R Phillips advised that the gardener has now finished and the garden is now being watered regularly.

RPC17/152 Kinewell Trust: Cllr Ms K du Boulay reported that they had held their AGM at which 2 fishermen attended who had asked for an update on the boundary dispute. She further reported that they had held a working party and had tidied up. She advised that the old dog bin has now been removed, and new dog mess awareness signs are being put up. She concluded that the person who had made contact regarding paddle-boarding had been declined, but that same person was doing the outdoor yoga sessions. Cllr Ms K du Boulay concluded that the fishing season starts on the 16th June; permits/tickets can be bought from Eddie.

RPC17/153 Noted: Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday 12th July at 7.30pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____