

# ABBOTS RIPTON PARISH COUNCIL

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**A Meeting of Abbots Ripton Parish Council was held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.15pm at the Abbots Ripton Village Hall**

**Present: Cllr G Richardson (Chair), Cllr C Miller, Cllr S Brown, Cllr J Leaver (Vice Chair), Cllr J Hemsley, Cllr S Bywater (County & District) Cllr T Rogers (County)  
Angela Papworth – Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to Abbots Ripton Parish Council.**

02<sup>nd</sup> August 2018

## Minutes

- 01/07/18 To receive and approve apologies for absence.**  
Apologies were received from Cllr Brennan, Cllr Tuplin (District Cllr)
- 02/07/18 To receive declarations of interest.**  
Cllr Richardson -Matters pertaining to the cricket club  
Cllr Miller – Matters pertaining to the Estate
- 03/07/18 Public Participation.**  
No Members of the public were present.  
Cllr Bywater introduced himself as the new District Councillor. He advised Members he covers 19 Parishes as County & District Councillor. He advised he is learning the ropes as District Cllr but wanted Members to know that he will help with any PC issues they may have and not to hesitate to contact him for advice and support.
- 04/07/18 To receive and approve the minutes of the Annual Parish & Annual General Council Meetings held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018**  
Cllr Richardson proposed to approve the minutes Cllr Leaver seconded, all were in favour and it was **Resolved** to approve the minutes.
- 05/07/18 Matters arising or carried forward from the previous meeting.**  
**PC Tree Ownership**  
Cllr Richardson advised Members that He & Cllr Miller had completed a check of the village trees to ascertain PC ownership. He confirmed that the tree outside the school & trees in triangle close needed the nominated tree warden to check them over. Cllr Miller advised he would organise this and report back at the next council meeting.  
**ICO Threat**  
A person had reported the PC to the ICO for withholding information under the Freedom of information act. Cllr Richardson had repeatedly advised this person that the PC did not hold the information he required.  
The Clerk advised Members that she had written to the person confirming that the PC did not hold this information therefore could not help him. She advised Members that the person had not responded to her letter to date.

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06/07/18

### Reports from County and District Councillors.

Cllr Richardson advised Members that he had written to the MP complaining about the state of repair of the B1090 road. The MP wrote to the Leader of the Council outlining concerns who then wrote to Highways for an update. Cllr Richardson asked Cllr Rogers if he had any information regarding the road repairs as he had heard nothing from Highways. Cllr Rogers advised that there is a Legal issue between Highways and Network Rail regarding the ownership of the road. As soon as this was established the road would be repaired. Cllr Richardson advised he would write to the Leader of Cambs County Council and to the Member of parliament complaining.

Cllr Rogers confirmed He had spoken to Mathew Shooter of the Highways Committee who assured him he would update any progress as soon as he received it. They were waiting for a response from Network Rail.

Cllr Rogers advised Members that County Council are finding it hard to make savings. They are 4 million pound short. They are having problems with the Adult Care & Child Care sector and now the Government are proposing that the County Council pay them money instead of the Government paying them.

There is an all-day meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> September to discuss the issues that have been raised with FACT.

There is a Parish Forum meeting on the 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018 At Abbots Ripton Village Hall with Steve Griswell the guest speaker. He will be speaking about all aspects of schools to include driving in and around schools and the highway plus any other business.

Cllr Bywater introduced himself as the new District Councillor at the beginning of the meeting.

Cllr Bywater advised Members that planning had a meeting regarding a crematorium planning application proposal.

Residents raised concerns and the public were not happy with the proposed site.

Hunts planning officers conducted a survey and the proposed application for Jubilee Park has been turned down.

A new proposed application has now been received for a site near the Go-Kart track. The 7500-car storage planning application has been approved and the vehicles will be delivered on Lorry Transporters.

Members raised concerns about the transporters coming through Abbots Ripton village and proposed an HGV ban through the village for it would cause a major H&S issue.

Cllr Brown proposed applying for a weight restriction through the village which would put a stop to the transporter lorries coming through the village. Members proposed an enforcement should be put in place to ensure that the transport companies would stick to the planning approval terms & conditions.

Cllr Richardson proposed that the Clerk should write to Planning requesting an HGV ban and weight restriction through Abbots Ripton village to also include an enforcement on the transport companies to stick to the terms of the planning approval.

The Clerk confirmed she would do this and would update Members at the next meeting.

07/04/18

### Financial Officers Report to include checking and approval of bank statements

#### (1) Financial Statement

Members had before them a budgetary control statement for the Revenue (Precept) Account as at 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018 showing expenditure of £2,755.17 and income of £9,187.00 (includes a full year's precept income) compared with budgets, along with a bank reconciliation statement and a summary statement of reserves and funds balances.

Members checked, approved and signed off statements and balances to date.

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It was **Resolved** that the Financial Officers report was approved, and All were in Favour.

### 08/07/18 **Approval of the Internal Auditors Report**

Members had before them copies of the Internal Auditors report and his signed certificate of the Annual return for the year 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Members noted that the Auditor had no issues that he wished to draw to the attention of the Members.

It was **Resolved** that the report be noted and approved.

### 09/07/18

#### To approve accounts for payment

Brian Cox & Co	Internal Audit Report 2017/18 accounts	84.00
<b>Total</b>		84.00

Cllr Richardson proposed that authorisation of all the above payments were made. Cllr Leaver seconded, all were in favour and it was **Resolved** that payments would be made.

### 10/07/18 **Planning Application Update**

#### **Planning Applications received: - None**

The planning application for Magpas new site has been approved.

#### **Moat Lane Doggie Day Care**

Cllr Richardson advised Members that he had received an email from the Enforcement Officer advising him that they cannot enforce a failure to apply for planning permission due to insufficient complaints from residents. However, the business has now moved therefore the issue has gone away.

#### **Elm Tree chopped down**

Cllr Richardson advised Members that an Elm tree had been chopped down in the village without planning permission.

He advised that he has contacted planning and will update Members at the next council meeting.

### 11/07/18 **Traffic & Highways Issues**

The Clerk advised Members that Highways had been in touch to book a date to meet with Cllrs to discuss where they want the MVAS posts erecting in the village. Cllrs confirmed that they would make themselves available to accommodate the Highways Officer.

The Clerk advised she would contact t the Highways Officer to arrange a date asap.

### 12/07/18 **Local Highway Improvement (LHI) 2018/19 Update**

Cllr Hemsley proposed an MVAS & posts through Wennington village for this year's LHI application.

He advised that there is excessive speeding through the village and cars have hit buildings and accidents have happened due to speeding vehicles.

#### **Meeting Closed**

Cllr Richardson asked Cllrs Bywater & Rogers if they would support the application as their support would help in getting approval of the application. Cllrs Bywater & Rogers both confirmed that they would support the application having listened to the reasons behind it.

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### **Meeting opened**

The Clerk confirmed she would apply for an MVAS and posts through Wennington village before the deadline date of the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018.

All were in Favour.

**13/07/18**

### **Trade Expo & Festival Event**

Cllr Miller advised Members that this event had been cancelled for this year and that it may be going ahead in 2019.

He also advised that there is a meeting to be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July at the Shoot room to discuss what events are happening this year and going forward what the site will be used for in future.

He advised Members he would update them at the next council meeting.

**14/07/18**

### **Police Matters: To receive an update.**

Cllrs received all correspondence prior to the meeting.

**15/07/18**

### **Alconbury Plans Update**

Cllr Leaver advised Members that there is not much to report other than Urban & Civic have acquired Grange Farm to gain southern access to the site via a roundabout. They are looking to put a guided bus rail system in and are in the process of forging plans for approval next year.

Urban & Civic want a railway station on that site and have asked Network Rail for all information.

There was a problem with Travellers on the site, but they left the following morning.

The shop's trade is increasing and all Alconbury events can be found on the Abbots Ripton village website.

**16/07/18**

### **Health and Safety: To receive an update**

Cllr Hemsley advised Members there is nothing to report.

**17/07/18**

### **Neighbourhood Forum/Joint Local Committee Update**

Cllr Rogers confirmed that there is a meeting at the Abbots Ripton village hall on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018. Steve Griswell is the guest speaker. He will be speaking about all aspects of schools, driving around schools and highways.

**18/07/18**

### **Parish Council Policies**

The Clerk advised Members this is a working progress.

**19/07/18**

### **Parish Plan**

Members agreed there was nothing pressing on the Parish Plan other than what was being worked on at the moment, which is speeding around the villages and road repairs.

**20/07/18**

### **Correspondence and Communications.**

List of correspondence received has been circulated to all Councillors prior to meeting

**21/07/18**

### **Network Rail Four Tracking Project Update**

<https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/our-routes/line-and-em/east-coast-mainline-route-upgrade/huntingdon-to-woodwalton/>

Cllr Leaver advised Members that at the Urban & Civic meeting it was advised that this was going ahead as planned.

## **ABBOTS RIPTON PARISH COUNCIL**

- 22/07/18** To receive verbal reports from Parish Councillors on matters arising (any other business)  
Nothing to report.
- 23/07/18** Proposed dates for Parish Council meetings: Abbots Ripton Village Hall,  
  
28<sup>th</sup> Aug 9<sup>th</sup> Oct 20<sup>th</sup> Nov
- 24/04/18** Items for next agenda

**CLOSE OF MEETING 8.30**