

# ABBOTS RIPTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021

A Meeting of Abbots Ripton Parish Council was held on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 at 19.15pm at Abbots Ripton Village Hall.

Present: Cllr G Richardson (Chair), Cllr J Leaver (Vice Chair), Cllr S Brown, Cllr D Brennan, Cllr C Miller & Cllr Stephen Corney (county).

Emily Moore – Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to Abbots Ripton Parish Council.

07/07/2021

- 01/06/21**      **To receive declarations of interest.**  
Cllr J Leaver -Matters pertaining to the Village Hall Refurb  
Cllr C Miller – Matters pertaining to the Estate
- 02/06/21**      **To receive and approve apologies for absence.**  
Apologies were received from Cllr J Hemsley & Cllr S Bywater (district).
- 03/06/21**      **Public Participation.**  
No members of the public were present.
- 04/06/21**      **Reports from County and District Councillors.**  
Cllr S Corney (County Councillor) introduced himself to Members and advised if there are any issues then to please contact him. He advised a new report will be released within the next 6-8 weeks with regards to flooding around the area and what actions CCC, Anglian Water and the Environmental Agency will take to prevent further flooding.  
Cllr Leaver asked if he knows of any update with Urban & Civic as he has had contact with Hillary Ellis (Flood Risk & Biodiversity Business Manager, Cambridgeshire County Council) who has advised she has spoken with Urban & Civic's Estate Manager to ask what inspections/maintenance have been undertaken so far on the Alconbury Weald drainage system and what future inspections/maintenance are planned in for the remainder of the construction period. Cllr Corney advised he will follow this up with Cllr Bywater and Hillary Ellis.
- 05/06/21**      **To receive and approve the minutes of the AGM and APM meetings held on the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021.**  
All were in favour and it was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of both meetings
- 06/06/21**      **Financial Officers Report.**  
Members had before them a budgetary control statement for the Revenue (Precept) Account as at 23/06/2021 showing expenditure of £7,925.95 and income of £11,416.65 (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.  
  
It was **Resolved** that the Financial Officers report was approved, and **All** were in Favour.

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**07/06/21 To approve accounts for payment.**

Payee	Description	Amount
Beam	Grass Verge Cutting - order 3&4	£304.00
Havenpower	Energy Charges - June 2021	£66.45
Caddy Services	Invoice 2020-part 2 Jubilee Gardens	£220.00
Clerk	Reimbursement for ink and stationery	£21.68
Clerk	Payroll 5th May 2021 - 29th June 2021	£513.29
HMRC	Tax and NI	£128.20
<b>Total</b>		<b>£1,253.62</b>

**08/06/21 To approve increase pay grade for clerk.**

It was agreed for the pay grade for the clerk would increase to SCP 21 and for the clerk to be paid on a monthly basis for 20 hours per month.

**09/06/21 Planning Application Update.**

21/01167/S73 - 2 Rectory Farm Close Abbots Ripton Huntingdon – Variation of condition 3 (Materials) to 20/01066/HHFUL and 20/01691/LBC for an alternative roof tile. – the PC object to this planning application on the basis that the tiles do not ‘match in type, colour and surface texture to those used in the existing building’ as originally promised in the original application.

**10/06/21 Transport Weight Limit – LHI 2020/2021.**

The clerk advised Members that she has been in contact with Karen Lunn - Project Engineer managing the PC LHI 20-21. Karen has advised there is no update at the moment and is waiting on estimated costs from different companies.

**11/06/21 We Out Here Festival 2021.**

Members of the Parish Council have raised the following concerns in regards to closing footpath 8 and footpath 10 for ‘We Out Here Festival’.

- Any use of the North Drive to the Estate (Path 8, Wennington Wood) for the event vehicular access increases traffic flow through Abbots Ripton Village, Wennington Lane and the village of Wennington, or Kings Ripton and Little Ravely (if they come to the junction from the opposite direction). These roads can barely cope with our normal traffic flows. Much of the routing to get to the North Drive entrance from Abbots Ripton is on poorly maintained single track road with passing places.
- Secret Garden party access route was not deemed necessary, with all vehicular access through Grange and Grove Farms. Secret Garden Party was a much larger event so we fail to see a need to accommodate different routing for We Out Here.
- Despite the assertion of "light pickup and drop off traffic" it is none-the-less incremental to the norm and sets an unwelcome precedent for future.

The clerk advised she would raise these concerns with Martin Ellwood (Event Liaison Officer Cambridgeshire County Council) and Lou Woodward (Project and Event Management We Out Here).

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- 12/06/21**      **Tour of Cambridgeshire.**  
The clerk advised the Tour of Cambridgeshire has been postponed to June 2022.
- 13/06/21**      **St Ives Transport.**  
Improvements to the roads around St Ives – Members of the Parish Council raised concerns about the impact this would have on the B1090. The clerk advised she would email HDC their concerns.
- 14/06/21**      **Correspondence and Communications.**
- Wooden rails outside number 2 Station Road are broken and has now become a safety issue – the clerk advised HDC are currently looking into who owns the land the rails are on.
  - Branches are overhanging onto the path from Abbots Ripton School – The clerk advised she would contact the school regarding this.
  - It has been reported a drone has been flying around Abbots Ripton Village, the PC would like to ask for them to act respectfully of other residents.
  - The clerk advised the defibrillator will be registered with the East Anglian NHS Ambulance service and will look into defibrillator training for residents.
  - Three burglaries have happened within the area and the police have been informed.
- 15/06/21**      **Health and Safety Update.**  
No update received.
- 16/06/21**      **Proposed 2021 dates for Parish Council meetings.**  
*24<sup>th</sup> August 2021, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021.*
- 17/06/21**      **Items for next agenda.**  
MVAS Statistics

**CLOSE OF MEETING – 21:00**