

ROSSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL



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MINUTES OF THE PARISH FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSE MEETING HELD AT ROSSINGTON MEMORIAL HALL AT 7.00 pm on TUESDAY 24 OCTOBER 2017

Present: Councillors: C Beaumont (Vice Chair), G Sheldon, G Dutton, J Cooke (Ward Cllr), R Greaves and K Guest
Clerk: A M Hammond
Chair: Cllr A Harper
Public: 0

36. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Cllr A Harper opened the meeting and welcomed Cllrs.

37. PUBLIC FORUM

RESOLVED to note there were no members of the public present.

38. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Clerk received an email from Terry Chandler stating the Environmental Association had funds to purchase a bench if the Parish Council would pay to install it. He gave 2 suggestions:

1. Where Kestrel Drive meets Stripe Road opposite the entrance to Brodsworth Way.
2. At the end of Pheasant Bank adjacent to the Styrrup Park.

RESOLVED to note the Clerk to get an estimated cost of the installation of the bench and to post on Facebook asking for the community's preferred site.

39. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND APPROVAL REASONS FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED to note the following:

- Apologies were received from J Parkin which were approved by the Council.
- There were no declarations of interest or applications for dispensation.

40. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 3 OCTOBER 2017

RESOLVED to note the following:

- Item 23:** The Clerk's computer has had remote upgrades with the new computer being installed on Tuesday 31 October 2017.
- Item 25.1:** The Clerk applied to Locality for a grant of £5,000 for Ann Hindley to undertake a consultation, feasibility study and business plan for the Youth Club Building. If this was not successful a grant to apply to Awards for All.
- Item 25.2:** Ann Hindley emailed examples of seven pieces of work she has undertaken. Her daily rate is £300 but has agreed to work for the Parish Council for £250 per day.

41. TO CONSIDER THE PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET FOR 2018/2019

RESOLVED to note the following:

1. **Parish Precept:** to be decided at full Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 14 November 17 when all costings and implications of next year's predicted budget have been calculated.
2. **Staff Costs:** to be based on the current financial year's expenditure as staffing remains the same.
3. **Memorial Hall Staff:** The Memorial Hall to take over the cost of the Cleaner's post as of 1 April 2018. The cost of the Caretaker to remain with the Parish Council at a cost of £10,000.
4. **Parish Council Elections:** the Clerk to contact Jane Stimpson to enquire if DMBC or the Parish Council is liable for the costs of the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum. If DMBC is responsible the budget would be zero.
5. **Memorial Hall Rent for Office Space:** to remain at £5,000 as the circumstances are the same as the current financial year.
6. **Good Neighbours Grant:** C Beaumont to confirm if the grant should be reduced to £4,000 or to remain at £5,000 after their management committee meeting on Wednesday 25 October 2017.
7. **Supporting the Youth Club:** £30,000 to be allocated. The Clerks to investigate possible external funders to support this project and to liaise with current and potential Stakeholders for their support and advice.
8. **Village Signs:** £4,000 to be allocated.
9. **Rossington in Bloom:** summer and winter planting of tubs and flower beds £10,000.
10. **Christmas Lights:** to remain at £12,000.
11. **Memorial Hall Garden:** to remain at £500.
12. **Project Other Spend:** to be reduced to £1,500 to reflect the current years spend.
13. **Easter Eggstravaganza:** To remain at £1,500 even though there was an overspend this year. The Parish Council to look at ways to once again gain income from the event to offset the loss.
14. **Summer Festival:** to remain at £20,000.
15. **Traditional Village Fete:** to remain at £1,000.
16. **Firework Display:** to remain at £7,000.
17. **Parish Pantomime:** to increase to £1,500 to enable 2 performances to take to accommodate the numbers of residents interested in attending.
18. **Environmental Projects:** to remain at £2,000 as no change in circumstances.
19. **Green Spaces:** a new cost to be set at £5,000 due to the Parish Council taking on a new lease of land and any other potential costs of open spaces.
20. **Market Place:** a new cost to be set at £10,000.
21. **Remembrance Day Wreath:** to remain at £350.
22. **Neighbourhood Plan:** To be reduced to £1,000 as external grant funding was secured for the developmental costs.
23. **Section 137:** This budget covers any costs the Parish Council does not currently have the Powers to fund. It is to be reduced to £2,000 to reflect the current year's expenditure.
24. **Miners Wheel:** to be increased to £10,000. The Clerk to contact Harworth Estates for support with the siting of the wheel.
25. **Community Grants:** to be set at £3,000 as the RecyCoal grant funding will not be available after the last of the money has been allocated.
26. **Pride of Rossington:** a new cost to be set at £1,000 based on the cost of the first event in 2017.

42. **TO NOTIFY THE CLERK OF MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING**
RESOLVED to note there were none.
43. **TO CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**
RESOLVED to note the next meeting will be at **6.15 pm** on **Tuesday 21 November 2017**.

A. M. Hammond

Membership of the Finance & General Purpose Committee:

Alison Harper
Carol Beaumont
John Cooke
John Parkin
Clive Stone
Ken Guest