

FLINTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the parish council held in the Sports Pavilion, Monday March 11, 2019 at 6.30pm

Couns. David Cartledge (Chairman)
Ken W Russell (Vice chairman) Debra Pennington
Sue Clayton Paul Brookes Scott Miller

Also, present: The clerk Mike Elliott.

1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE There were none

2] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 29, 2019 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman after Coun. Brooks pointed out that Coneygrey was one word and not two as minuted.

3] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none

4] CLERK'S REPORT

Election May 2. Nomination papers were available now from both Rushcliffe Borough Council and the clerk. They have to be returned by April 3 at 4pm. The clerk can take them in for a member but will need them by March 27 because if there is a mistake they have to be returned to the nominated person for correcting.

Rushcliffe Borough Council are still chasing for progress in regard to the demolition of the former Islamic School but cannot say when action can be guaranteed.

Mr Allen Graham the Chief Executive of Rushcliffe Borough Council, has announced he is leaving the post on June 30 this year after nearly 13 years in office.

The Post Office have not responded to the request for moving the post box on Main Street.

The office will introduce a new system for next financial year for recording the finances of the Septemberfest,

Jenny Kirkwood has now been invited to the meeting on April 16, was not available for this meeting.

5] REPORT FROM THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER

There was no report..

6] CORRESPONDENCE

The Chairman updated the meeting in regard to the footpath bridge around the sports field and said he had made it usable. NALC would carry out new councillor training after the elections. Present councillors would be welcome to attend.

Rushcliffe Borough Council were seeking Tree wardens to be appointed by parish councils. It was agreed to publicise the fact in the newsletter and the website when it was up and running.

7] PLANNING MATTERS

No planning matters

The clerk gave a reminder that no planning papers would be issued by the Borough after March 31 so members need to be aware they will have to look on line.

The chairman produced plans showing where a flag pole for the sports field was proposed by the cricket club. It was agreed the council would seek the necessary permission. The siting would be near to the pavilion.

8] SPORTS GROUND AND PLAY PARK

Coun. Brooks gave his report on the inspection he had made on both play areas, on the sports field and Coneygrey. Discussion took place on the proposal for use of a wheelie bin for rubbish near the Coneygrey site. Coun. Brookes would discuss the matter again with a resident.

It was agreed the clerk put an article in the next newsletter asking residents not to put waste rubbish onto the playing field over the hedge of their back gardens and where this had or did occur to remove it.

The reports from Coun. Brookes said the timber work on the climbing frame on Coneygrey had been treated. It did need now a paint of coat. He said there was a need for some power washing of some of the items of equipment.

In respect of the sports field site he said beneath the area gate entrance the ground had sunk creating a pool, area when heavy rain came. The concrete bench needed attention including a pressure water wash, as did the rotating drum item.

The question of the council employing an odd job man to undertake play area and other small tasks was discussed but nothing firm was decided.

A warm vote of thanks was offered to Coun. Brookes for his continuing excellent work on the play area checking operation, proposed by the chairman and endorsed by the whole council.

9] ENVIRONMENT

The council agreed that a village name sign was required on the Long Hedge Lane entrance to the village and that the one still existing on the old Inholms Road could be moved there.

10] FINANCE --

a] accounts to pay were approved as per the circulated list

The chairman said the council, were still due for a payment of around £4500 from the Highways agency in regard to the land exchanges that had taken place.

11] NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE

The council agreed that Coun. Mrs Clayton be the contact with the new website operator. The site was almost ready for showing to the council and Coun. Clayton said she would organise this. She said the new site was much easier to work around.

12] ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS FROM COUNCILLORS – APRIL 16. The question of a Neighbourhood Plan would be on the agenda, with Mrs Jenny Kirkwood from Rural Community Action Nottinghamshire having been invited to give a presentation.

13] NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN -- Would be discussed at the next meeting.

14] PUBLIC SESSION

There were no members of the public present.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8-15pm.