

Minutes of The Full Council Meeting held on Monday 11th February 2019 at 7.30pm in The Rackliff Centre Lower Green Road

Members Present: Cllr B Edwards (Chairman), Cllr J Blackburn, Cllr C Gordon Cllr H Duncombe, Cllr E Ellicott and Cllr C Ducklin.

Officer Present: S Denne

In Attendance: Borough Cllr Podbury

Members of the Public: There were two members of the public present

- 1. Enquire whether anyone present intends to film, photograph and/or record the meeting No-one present intended to film, photograph and/or record the meeting.
- **2. Apologies for absence** Cllr A Britcher, Cllr D Smith and Cllr J Clark.
- 3. **Declaration of Interests** None
- 4. **Declarations of Lobbying** None
- **5. Minutes** of the meeting held on 14th January 2019 were agreed, and it was **RESOLVED** that the Chairman signed them as a true record
 - 5.1 Matters outstanding from these minutes (not listed as separate agenda items) None
 - 5.2 Matters outstanding from previous minutes None
- **6.** Session for County and Borough Councillors on matters concerning the Parish –Cllr Podbury informed the members that she had received a complaint about a footpath not being maintained. She was trying to contact the owner of the land.
- 7. Committee Reports: Planning Meeting 21st January 2019, draft minutes have been circulated.
- **8. Litter Picking** It was agreed that a RPC led litter pick would take place in July 2019 and January 2020. To agree dates nearer the time and advertise in RL.
- **9. Bench** –Cllr Blackburn still in negotiations with Steve Budden and to clarify who would dispose of old bench.
- **10. Policies** To agree any updates and adopt the following: i. Budget Virement, ii. Internal Financial Control System, iii. Kent Code of Conduct. All accepted
- 11. Proposed hanging baskets The Clerk informed the members that the load testing had been carried out and all lamp posts had passed. An application for a licence is required, £92.60 for first application and £26.50 thereafter. Clerk to obtain quotes for hanging baskets.
- **12. Parish in Bloom** Consider again next year.

- **13. Hire of Hall** It was agreed to charge profit making organisations according to merit but at least £60 a day for the hire of the hall.
- **14.** Grants/ Donations It was agreed to give a donation of £300 to the Samaritans
- **15. Rusthall Life** –Cllr Blackburn informed the members that she and the Clerk had had a constructive meeting with Mr Langridge and he had agreed that RPC would see the proofs before printing. He also agreed that the RPC page would be moved away from the back page.
- 16. Chair's Report Cllr Edwards and Cllr Ellicott attended a planning workshop, which was very informative. Cllrs Edwards informed the members that he had written to the Chief Inspector about double yellow lines and parking problems in the village. He had also written to William Benson about the parking problem. Cllr Edwards then thanked Cllr Ducklin ro supplying a map of Rusthall, which was now framed. Finally, he thanked Cllr Gordon, whose last meeting it was, for all her hard work and dedication to Rusthall over the years. He wished her every happiness in her new home.
- 17. Clerk's Report The Clerk informed the members that there would be a speaker at the March meeting. The website should be up and running by April.
- **18. Diary Dates** 18th February Highways Committee Meeting, 25th February Planning Committee Meeting
- **19. Accounts for Payment** to authorise the payment of invoices as listed Theses were agreed.
- **20. Open session for questions from the public**: A member of the public enquired how the TWBC planning enquiry system works. Cllr Edwards explained.
- 21. Items for Information
 - a) Cllr Blackburn informed members that the gardening Club will be relaunched in March

The meeting closed at 20.40
Chairman
Dated