

**Minutes of a Meeting of Plumtree Parish Council held on Monday May 21, 2018,
at the Burnside Memorial Hall, Plumtree at 7-30pm**

Couns. Mike Bylina (chairman)
Adrian Kerrison Jonnie Richards (A)
David Martin Dave Sumner
Andrew Burnett

Also present Clerk Mike Elliott, Couns. John Cottee (Notts County Council). Debbie Mason (Rushcliffe Borough Council) and six members of the public.

- 1] APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2018-19 Coun. Mike Bylina was appointed. A unanimous vote of thanks was recorded to Coun. David Martin for his excellent leadership while chairman of the council.
- 2] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Coun. Jonnie Richards
- 3] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 4] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING ON MARCH 26, 2018 were approved as circulated and signed by the chairman after it was agreed reference to the Burnside Hall for the WW1 Beacon lighting be changed to the churchyard
- 5] APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN It was agreed not to make an appointment at the present time.
- 6] PARISHIONERS REPORTS
There was a discussion on the need for a stand-alone waste bin on Old Melton Road and to replace the existing small bin there. Couns. Cottee and Mason said they would be willing share the cost for that purchase.
- 7] CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATE ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS
The Clerk said the question of traffic congestion problems continue and two residents had contacted the office asking what was being done to curtail the problems. They had been referred to the County Highways.
Litter and waste tipping continues to be a problem and earlier in the day Coun. Martin had reported to the office on some fly tipping on Old Melton Road. Rushcliffe Borough Council have said they would clear it within two days.
Red poppies -- there are 27 lamp standards in the parish as a whole and it was agreed to purchase that number of poppies for displaying in November to help commemorate the ending of WW1 in 1918.
Rushcliffe Borough Council are to launch a scheme to offer parish councils ten native trees free for planting in their parish. There will also be a limited number of trees available to parishioners. Members would form a working party to tour the village to see which sites might be suitable for planting.
- 8] REPORT FROM THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER
Coun. Mason said progress was being made on several aspects of Borough work, involving leisure and a car parking strategy.
Coun. Cottee said his authority had that day announced the purchase of a second camera car used for checking on poor and illegal parking outside schools in the county. They had purchased the first of the vehicles two years previously to allow them to undertake work that had previously been the responsibility of the police. The vehicle had the capability to take a film that was viewed later the same day at County Hall and which led to prosecutions being possible and were being taken. The County member also said they had a programme of plans to deal with overgrowing footpaths and hedges and continued work on pot-holes, having filled 40,000 in the first four months of the year.
- 9] CORRESPONDENCE
Website usage for March had seen 124 site visitors with 304-pages viewed. In April there were 101 users with 347-page views. Of the visitors, 151 viewed the parish council home pages and 56 planning applications, 51 agendas and minutes and 48 the emergency plan.
Nottinghamshire Campaign for the Protection of Rural England gave notice of its annual meeting on Friday June 22 at the Hockerton Housing Project.

10] HIGHWAY MATTERS

The possibility of provision of a car park in the village was discussed and it was agreed to make further progress on a feasibility study. Coun. Kerrison would make contact with the owner of a suggested site opposite the parish church. The chairman would seek a visit with the school Headmaster as it was felt the congestion on Church Hill was at least in part caused by staff and parents of children attending the school.

The council agreed to make an approach to Coun. Cottee for support for provision of a continuation of the existing footpath on Bradmore Lane, to take it as far as the cricket ground entrance.

11] PLANNING MATTERS

APPLICATIONS None

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL DECISIONS None

The clerk said Rushcliffe Borough Council Local Plan Part Two was now out for consultation. He had a copy, it is also available on line or at any local library. Comments must be in by June 28. Additional houses are suggested for Keyworth include a site off Nicker Hill where up to 150 properties could be provided and between Platt Lane and Station Road where it is suggested 190 homes could be built. There are also suggestions that land south of Debdale Lane could take up to 190 new homes and land at Hillside Farm could take 70. At Bunny up to 100 houses are suggested on the site of the former Brickworks

Concerns were expressed on additional traffic when the Keyworth housing went ahead.

12] CPR TRAINING It was agreed to take the item off the agenda for the time being.

13] FINANCE

a) accounts to pay were accepted as the circulated list and agreed

b) approval of annual governance statement was unanimously agreed by the council and members unanimously approved the accounts for 2017-18 as presented by the clerk and which had been signed off by the Internal Auditor.

14] ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS including WW1 event November 11 2018 and Data Protection. Coun. Martin was to make contact with the Parish Church in regard to final arrangements for an event on November 11. The clerk reminded the meeting of the need to attempt to find relatives of a local person who took part in the 1914-18 war and for them to be involved in the council event.

The clerk updated the council on Data Protection and said work was progressing, but it was very time consuming. He provided each councillor with a plastic folder in which to keep council papers including the data protection information that was being prepared by the Data Protection Officer.

15] CASUAL VACANCY Notice giving the opportunity for an election to be requested by ten residents expires in 10 days' time, after which providing no such request had been made a notice advertising a Casual Vacancy will be displayed.

16] CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

Coun. Martin said he would update the Emergency Plan.

17] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING ON JULY 23, 2018

Nothing was put forward.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm