Ravenfield Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of Ravenfield Parish Council held on Thursday 13th October 2016, at 6.30pm, in the Parish Hall.

Present Cllrs. D. Finch (Chairman), B. Callear, S. Hamshaw, J. Jesson, N. Pearson and D. Rowley. 1 member of the public was present.

1. Apologies.
There were no apologies all members being present.

2. Minutes.
The minutes of the previous meeting, held 8thSeptember 2016, were approved as a true record: moved Cllr J. Jesson, seconded Cllr D. Rowley.

3. Matters Arising.
Item 6a) Tennis Club – the Clerk had still to make contact regarding this matter.

4. Police Report.
The latest figures on the National Police website were for July and showed 10 reported incidents including 2 involving vehicles and 1 burglary.

The meeting was adjourned for public participation; see separate report.

5. Correspondence.
a) Redcross, Family Reunion Appeal. Left on table.
b) RMBC – Winter Partnership Scheme. Cllr. N. Pearson, again, volunteered to be a snow warden.
c) RMBC – Rotherham Joint Parish Council Conference. The Conference will take place on Wednesday 9th November 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm at Laughton Village Hall. Cllr. B. Callear agreed to attend.
d) Letters regarding HS2. The Council had considered this issue previously and whilst there was no new information it was agreed to allow a meeting to be held in the Parish Hall by Bramley HS2 Opposition Group for residents to hear the current proposals.
e) Ravenfield Arms request to borrow swan hook stakes and key to Hollings Lane Playing Field for a fireworks display (no bonfire) on Friday 28th October. This matter had been dealt with in Public Participation when it was agreed to loan the stakes and the key.
f) St James' church clock.
Cllrs. N. Pearson & D. Finch declared an interest.
The Church are trying to raise money to refurbish and electrify the unusual single hand clock a landmark of Ravenfield. About £15k is required. It was agreed to consider this issue as part of the 2017/18 Budget.

6. Planning applications.
RB2016/1176 Two storey and single storey side extension at 19 Reasby Avenue. Noted.

7. Reports.
a) Cllr. B. Callear had attended the RAY AGM.
b) Cllr. D. Rowley reported on the recent meeting of the Wentworth South Area Assembly, there was a presentation on Love my Streets. Cllr. Rowley asked about 'domo' cameras to aid in the catching of litterers and that the landfill sites policy be re looked at. There was also a presentation on Community Justice Panels and their need for more volunteers.
c) Cllr. Rowley reported on the YLCA South Yorkshire Branch meeting SY Police have reconsidered their position with regards to Remembrance Sunday parades and will now provide cover for parades

where danger is apparent. The issue of the downgrading of parish councils' responses to planning applications was raised and has been referred to YLCA.
d) Cllr. D. Finch had attended and found interesting the planning training course.
e) Cllr. J. Jesson reported that the Educational Foundation had awarded 4 grants and the Ravenfield Charities 1 grant.
f) Cllr. S. Hamshaw reported that a litter picking group had been formed for Woodlaithes and that she had collected 47 bags of dog poo in August and 32 in September.
g) The Clerk reported that the gate of the play area was broken and because of safety concerns he had authorised the installation of a new gate. The 'Pit' memorial wheel had weeds growing on it and this had been brought to the attention of the Clerk to Thrybergh Parish Council. Members were reminded that the Police Community and Crime Commissioner meeting was at Thrybergh New Parish Hall on Wednesday 3rd November at 6.30 p.m.

8. P**ayments and other financial matters.**

Confidential – banking arrangements were discussed; also the financial position.

9. Any Other Urgent Non Financial Business.

a) Council vacancy: the Clerk updated members on the current position.

The meeting was closed at 8.54 pm.