



**Minutes of Meeting of Rippingale Parish Council,
Held 14th July, 2005 at Rippingale Village Hall.**

Present:

Cllr M. Patrick, Chairman; Cllrs, M. Morgan, D. Sankey, J. Bass & P. Read.

In Attendance: Members of Press 1, Members of the Public 1.

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Received from Cllr B. Flatters and D. Cllr G. Taylor who is unwell. Council Members sent their good wishes for his speedy recovery.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** - none to record.

3. POLICE MATTERS

3.1. Community Police Support Officer (CPSO) Graeme Parrott joined the meeting and outlined his role as CPSO in Bourne Town and the villages between Bourne and Osbornby, with the assistance of one colleague. This is to assist Police Officers, maintain a high visibility in the area, address anti-social behaviour issues, reassure the local residents. CPSO powers include issuing Fixed Penalty Notices regarding litter, dog fouling, confiscation of alcohol and tobacco. CPSOs will also work with the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator.

3.2 CPSO duties include attendance at village events to raise awareness and provide (e.g.) security marking service. CPSO's will attend Parish Council Meetings whenever possible. Clerk will provide meeting dates and copy of Minutes.

3.3 Local problem is lack of transport for CPSOs to respond to matters quickly.

3.4 CPSO Parrott requested involvement from Parish Council and residents in reporting matters, however 'small' to the Police. This will help create a picture of Rippingale's policing needs, and make a case for funding from the Police Service budget.

3.5 Contact details to be published in Newsletter and on web-site.

24hour response from 01522 558798 x 2083

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3.6 Cllr D. Sankey agreed that he would liaise with CPSO Parrott regarding items to be published on the Rippingale web-site and would welcome receiving information from the police for publication.

3.7 It was noted that the Police Service hoped to set up "Community Engagement Meetings" in the Bourne area, as directed by National Government. Representatives of the village and Parish Council are encouraged to attend and make problems known to the police, who would in turn refer local comments to (e.g.) other emergency services, local authorities etc. Volunteers are sought. Parish Council suggests that this would be of interest to Cllr B. Flatters (Neighbourhood Watch) and would promote the scheme in the village newsletter and on web-site.

3.8 CPSO Parrott advised of planned "Sunday Walkabouts" to involve local residents in walking round the village to identify local problems for CPSO attention. The Parish Council will be pleased to support this suggestion.

3.9 The Chairman thanked CPSO Parrott for attending the meeting and welcomed his support to the village.
CPSO Parrott left the meeting.

As Agenda - Other Police Matters.

3.10 Public Newsletter, June 2005 & Annual Report 2004 - passed to Cllr Bass for perusal.

3.11 Victim Support Lincolnshire. IT WAS AGREED to make a donation of £10.00 in support of the organisation.

3.12 Parking, Pinfold Close. CPSO Parrott had acknowledged the Council's request to supply residents with no-parking cones but advised that the idea was not practicable. Concern was expressed at lack of access for emergency vehicles due to parking during football matches. Councillors to pursue suggestion of providing on-field parking. (see below).

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of Meeting 9th June, 2005 were approved and signed.

5. MATTERS ARISING

5.1.1 **WAR MEMORIAL** - Cllr Morgan presented summary of three estimates received. IT WAS AGREED THAT the estimate from Hirst Conservation (£5,190) for repairs and cleaning to the Memorial was preferred. Cllr Morgan and Chairman to make grant application. Cllr Morgan was thanked for her efforts in progressing this matter, and Mr. Neil Morgan thanked for his photographic assistance.

5.1.2 A "Victory in Europe" Dance was proposed as a fund-raising event towards the restoration costs. It was also suggested that Royal British Legion representative (Mr. T. Bladon) be asked to assist in the restoration project.

5.1.3 It was agreed that loose stones would be removed and stored pending restoration.

5.2 LITTER & DOG WASTE BINS.

5.2.1 Despite SKDC letter of reassurance, litter bins on The Green and Middle Street are still not being emptied. Clerk to contact SKDC again.

5.2.2 SKDC can offer no assistance in supply or maintenance of dog waste bins. IT WAS AGREED that the Parish Council would not pursue suggestion of supplying bins due to costs involved.

5.3 **PLAYING FIELD EASEMENT.** Letter received 14th July from Chattertons Solicitors on this matter to be circulated to Councillors for perusal and comment.

6. **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE & GRASS CUTTING**

6.1 **MEETING WITH K. BRUMFIELD (LCC HIGHWAYS)**

6.1.1 LCC Highways are responsible for 1m wide grass cutting to verges at entrances to village. Mr. Boyfield and Cllr Read had previously cut some of this grass. LCC will arrange for remainder to be cut, and maintain paved footpaths along these areas.

6.1.2 Kerbing to entrance roads is unlikely due to lack of funds, but Mr. Brumfield will monitor situation. In the meantime LCC will arrange for holes to be filled (Station Street - A15).

6.1.3 Footpath by 26 High Street is to be repaired.

6.1.4 Kerbing Doctor's Lane/East Street - grass area to mature and then need for kerbing to be reviewed.

6.1.5 Mr. Brumfield will confirm matters agreed to Clerk.

6.2 **Rospa INSPECTION**

6.2.1 Confirmation date for 2005 has been received (August).

6.2.2 Cllr Read advised that remedial work to play equipment is required prior to inspection. The Council should agree action on vandalised litter bins on the field.

IT WAS AGREED THAT Councillors would meet at the field Sunday 17th July, 11.00a.m. and assess the situation.

6.3 **SKATEBOARD RELOCATION.** "Danger" sign has been removed, removal of equipment still outstanding. Offer to transport for storage has been received from Shaun Charlton. Councillors to assist Cllr Read and Mr. Boyfield to complete removal as soon as possible.

6.4 **GRASS/HEDGE CUTTING.** Mr. Boyfield is grass cutting, hedge still outstanding. Additional grass areas are now included in Mr. Boyfield's schedule.

6.5 **FENCE, 9 PINFOLD**

6.5.1 Chairman and Clerk have visited residents after damage to fence and nuisance reported during football tournament in June. It was agreed that Councillors would inspect damage at meeting 17th July.

6.5.2 Clerk to request Fixtures List from Football Club and suggest that Club advises nearby residents of proposed tournaments etc.

6.5.3 Club Chairman has agreed that spare goal posts can be removed by Parish Council and stored. John Scholes to be asked to store at Station House.

6.5.4 Parking on playing field to be investigated further. Clerk to obtain advice from Playing Fields Association. Cllr Read to discuss with Rospa Inspector. Clerk to obtain quotation to provide (e.g.) matting/gravel.

6.6 **TENNIS COURT**

6.6.1 Letters have been received from Mr. S. Harrison and Mr. D. Carter strongly supporting maintaining the facility. Mr. Harrison has reminded the council that the facility is multi-purpose use. IT WAS AGREED that

reforming a Sports and Social Club, with responsibility for the Football Club is the way forward and Clerk will liaise with Messrs Carter and Harrison before requesting volunteers via Newsletter.

6.7 **ALLOTMENTS** - Clerk has met with Mr. Middleton to discuss unused allotments previously allocated to Mr. Chabaluk. Mr. Misselbrook has written a report on current wildlife, and would be interested in developing a Wildlife Area. Mr. Charlton to be asked if he will relinquish some of his allotment for interested residents. Clerk to liaise with all parties and report back to Council. The Chairman will meet Mr. Chabaluk's family to obtain formal consent to release his area.

6.8 **HOSPITAL CAR SERVICE**

The Medical Practice has not yet made arrangements to extend the service as previously agreed.

7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED - List circulated with Agenda.

7.1 (NALC) Local Council Review, July 2005 - passed to Cllr Bass.

7.2 (defra) Clean Neighbourhood & Environment Act 2005 - new powers for Parish Councils. To be circulated for comments.

7.3 (CCL) Newsletter, Summer 2005

7.4 (CPRE) Annual Report, Lincolnshire Branch 2004 - 5

7.5 (emda) News, May 2005

7.6 (LCC) Parish Council Survey - Rights of Way Improvement Plan for Lincolnshire. Completed by Councillors to be returned by Clerk.

7.7 (NALC) Pointers to Good Practice Guide - to be circulated.

7.8 Clerks & Councils Direct, July 2005, passed to Cllr P. Read.

7.9 (CPRE) "A Quiet Country Lane" - progress letter in response to Council's application May, 2004.

8. VILLAGE DESIGN COMMITTEE - nothing to report.

9. FINANCE

9.1 Bills for Payment:

Johnson Brothers	£ 81.47
D. Diess	£ 12.60
S.M. Scholes	£272.20
Willsons of Rippingale	£ 68.96

9.2 Budget as at 7th July, 2005 previously circulated. Total funds £15,388.

9.3 Charity Commission News, June 2005 received.

10. PLANNING

10.1 (0857) **Existing Porch, 29 High Street**. No objections raised.

10.2 (0762) **Portakabin Renewal of Temporary Planning Permission**.

10.2.1 Formal notice of application received, Clerk has replied that Parish Council makes no representation.

10.2.2 SKDC Building Control Services letter received in respect of the application, to be circulated to Councillors for comment.

10.3 (1586) **Land at 31 Middle Street, Amended Plans**

Clerk to request again that frontage of property is in line with No. 31 Middle Street.

10.4 Notice of SKDC Interim Housing Policy approved by Cabinet 6th June, 2005.

10.5 SKDC New Planning System & Preparation of Parish Plans Training Day - Clerk had attended.

11. **DISTRICT & COUNCIL BUSINESS.**

11.1 Aveland Parishes Meeting 5th July. Cllr Bass reported that the meeting was interesting and useful. Request made from Aslackby Parish Councillors for inclusion in Hospital Car Service has been previously confirmed as not possible by Clerk.

11.2 Rural South Local Area Assembly 28th June - in absence of D. Cllr Taylor, nothing to report.

12. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

12.1 **Attempted burglary, Dovecote** Cllr Bass reported that an arrest has been made.

12.2 **Rippingale Website**

12.2.1 Cllr Sankey advised that the web-site is almost one year old. He proposed that the funding (£150) agreed by the Parish Council be regarded as underwriting the set up expenses, and would be requested only if necessary.

12.2.2. It was agreed that a Parish Council e-mail address would be added to the web-site.

12.2.3 Cllr Sankey requested contributions from Cllr Flatters on behalf of Neighbourhood Watch.

12.3 **Overhanging hedge, 27 East Street.** Still outstanding, Clerk to speak to resident.

13. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

13.1 Mr. Diess requested confirmation that LCC will fill in pot-hole at junction of Middle and Station Streets. Clerk to confirm via LCC letter (to be received)

13.2 Litter Pick - Mr. Diess reminded Councillors of the proposal. It was agreed to carry out 10.30a.m., Sunday 18th September. Event to be publicised to local organisations, school, newsletter, website.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**Thursday, 8th September, 2005, 7.30p.m., The Village Hall.****There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.43p.m.****Sheila Scholes,
Clerk to the Council,
16th July, 2005.****Subsequent Meeting Dates 2005****20th October****10th November****No meeting in December.**