

Raglan Community Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday
16 December 2015 at the Raglan School at
7.00pm

Present

Cllr Dennis Brown
Cllr Penny Jones
Cllr Richard Moorby(Chairman)
Cllr Sylvia Price

Cllr Trevor Phillips
Cllr Noel Porter
Cllr Peter Williams
Cllr Helen Williams

3987 In attendance:

Adrian Edwards, Clerk to the Council.
Mr C Butler-Donnelly and another member from RVHA

3988 Agenda item 1:-Apologies for absence.

Cllr's Ewen Brierley, Ray Parry, & Vivian Compton

3989 Agenda item 2: Declarations of interest

No declarations made at this time.

3990 Agenda item 3: Receive a update from officers of Raglan Village Hall

The chairman invited Mr Butler-Donnelly to address the council members. It was explained that MCC is going to provide new toilets to the old church school room, and have undertaken a deep clean of the former junior school. It was also explained that there will be a food preparation area replacing a kitchen area. Raglan Village Hall Association (RVHA) will be taking over the day to day running of the former school from the 4 January 2016. Mr Butler-Donnelly gave members a verbal report relating to the level of funding and the timeline. He explained that the application for stage 2a funding from the big lottery will be submitted early in 2016. It was explained that the following dates are target dates and will be achieved. Development funding will be received around July 2016, planning application submitted to the planning authority October 2016 and the RVHA will receive consent in December 2016. It is expected that stage 2b of the lottery funding will be submitted in January 2017, and the funding will be approved in the summer of 2017, with the new building opening in October 2018. The new building will accommodate an estimated 120 people seated and an estimated 200 people standing along with a meeting room for between 20 and 40 seats. The building will have a substantial storage space. It is expected RVHA will consider submitting a further planning application for a smaller extension. The outside of the building will consist of cycle parking along with car parking. It is expected RVHA will design the building to include kitchen and children's play areas and solar panels. This won't be included initially.

It was explained that RVHA will be running a competition to employ the services of an agent and a contractor on a design and build contract, who will also provide an independent valuation of the predicted cost and design along with oversight of the project. It was explained that all site surveys will be funded from the big lottery development fund. It is expected RVHA will be applying for funding from other outside funding bodies.

Mr Butler-Donnelly also explained that RVHA have convened drop-in sessions and it is intended to hold further drop-in sessions and community engagement sessions. 378 responses were received from the community engagement, from age groups between 15 and 92. Mr Butler-Donnelly explained RVHA would like to think Raglan Community Council will be able to provide

grant funding; he would like to think the community council would be able to raise the council precept by £10 in 2016/17 financial year as a community contribution. The clerk reminded members that they must be mindful on the contribution and the financial support the council can provide by raising the precept.

In conclusion

RVHA will provide RCC with the following:

- Estimated costs for planning permission
- Estimated cost for agent fees
- Will provide predicted costs for the next finance meeting

Members of RHVA left the meeting at 7.40pm

3991 Agenda item 4: To receive and if appropriate to adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Wednesday 25 November 2015.

Proposed by Cllr Peter Williams seconded by Cllr Sylvia Price that the minutes are signed as a true record.

All Members Agreed

3992 Agenda item 4: Matters to report.

Cllr Jones gave members a verbal report relating to the works being undertaken at St' Cadoc's Court.

Cllr Porter asked about Pen-y-Parc Road adjacent to the industrial estate. The clerk explained that he has spoken to officers from MCC Highways and he will arrange a site visit.

3993 Agenda item 5: Planning applications no application received prior to the meeting

Planning Application received:

Two storey extension, to replace lean-to single storey extension at Bentra Farm Cottage, Llangovan, Monmouth, NP25 4BU

No objection offered

SECTION 119, 118 & 26 - HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 BROOKS HOLDINGS RAGLAN 82,900,901,902 & 903

SECTION 119 - HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 FOOTPATH 78 (PART) RAGLAN

Both highways notices were noted.

3994 Agenda item 6: To note finance matters, including Income & Expenditure.

Payee	Amount
Merlin Waste 7 & 21 Dec	40.68
Raglan school room hire 2016	208.00
Clerks salary & HMRC December	
MCC Ground maintenance 15/16	830.00
Blackhill website Emails accounts	16.55

Payee	Amount
Blackhill website hosting & domain name	115.49
Merlin Waste 9 & 23 Nov	40.68
Raglan school room hire Oct	16.00
Raglan school room hire Nov & Dec	32.00
Clerks salary & HMRC November	
MCC Ground maintenance 15/16	830.00
Blackhill website Emails accounts	180.42
Kingcoed Church	50.00

It was: proposed by Cllr P Jones seconded by Cllr H Williams the invoices are paid

All members agreed.

All invoices were available for members to inspect

Cllr Moorby asked about the grant payment relating to Llandenny Church.

3995 Agenda item 7: Members concerns on highway issues.

Cllr P Jones gave members a verbal report relating to MCC budget for the forthcoming year. Cllr Jones also gave members a report relating to highways maintenance and the affects the financial restraints MCC will need to consider.

Cllr Jones also explained about the parking in the community and the number of vehicles parking along the side roads by individuals commuting to their place of work. There was also some concern over illegal parking in the village. A number of members expressed concern over vehicles parking on footpaths, double yellow lines and other areas. There was some debate over the new car park which is open for use. After some debate it was:

Agreed the clerk should write to MCC highways relating to the above concerns.

3996 Agenda item 8: Items of correspondence. (Please see appendix)

Welsh Government:

1. Appointment of independent members to board of community health councils
2. New Year's 2017 Honours list

Monmouthshire County Council:

3. MCC Head of Democracy
4. Care line Services and community meals
5. Freedom of information copy letter

Other Correspondence:

6. Letter from a resident relating to redevelopment of St' Cadoc's Court
7. St' Davids Hospice Care
8. Flood Risk Regs 2009 MCC
9. Practical Advice to share – what to do before during and after a flood
10. Parking in Raglan- Gwent Police
11. Publication of the positive planning implementation plan
12. Feasibility and options for town and community councils to support services
13. Gwent Police crime report
14. Wales Air Ambulance

3997 Agenda item 9: Clerk reports.

No further points to report

3998 Agenda item 10: Reports from members on outside bodies.

Cllr T Phillips expressed concern over the lack of street cleaning in the village. He explained that the village has not been swept since the Spring. There was also some concern over the cleanliness around the around the Church and the Memorial area.

Cllr H Williams gave members a verbal report following the school governors meeting. Cllr P Williams also gave members a report relating to Raglan Teas group.

Cllr S Price also gave members a report following the Christmas Tree festival in Raglan Church

3999 Agenda item 11: Reports from the County Councillor

No Further reports made

4000 The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. The meeting closed at 8.25 pm. The date of the next meeting 27 January 2016

Signed by _____
Chairman Cllr Richard Moorby
Date 27 January 2016