RYHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 7th March 2012 In the Methodist Church Schoolrooms, Ryhall.

PRESENT

Mr C Parsons (Chairman)	Mrs E Sismore	Ms R Miller	Mr N Bellairs
Mr R Rushby	Mr P Huddleston	Mrs S Smith	

Six members of the public were in attendance

APOLOGIES Mrs B White, Mr G Lloyd and Mrs C Vernon – County Councillor

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with the regulations, Councillors were invited to declare any personal or prejudicial interest they may have and the nature of those interests in relation to the one item on the agenda. They completed the Declaration of Interest Book.

Ms Miller – Fun Squad and Parish Plan
Mr Bellairs - Playing Fields, Parkfield Road Resident, Diamond Jubilee Committee
Mr Huddleston- Village Hall, Playing Fields, PC Newsletter, Parkfield Road resident
Mrs Sismore- Ryhall PTA
Mr Parsons – Playing Fields

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

It was proposed by Mr Rushby seconded by Mrs Sismore and agreed that the Minutes of the meetingheld on 25th January 2012 were an accurate record of the meeting. All in favour.

MATTERS ARISING

Vicarage Lane
Mr Parsons read out the key points of a letter from Carter Jonas acting on behalf of the Diocese to Rutland County Council concerning the condition of the low level wall that separates the footpath and the vehicular access on Vicarage Lane. Carter Jonas understands that a recent meeting between the County Council , the Diocese Office and the School Governing body, indicated that the Education/ and or Highways Departments are considering a firm proposal to take on responsibility for the vehicular access and its adjacent footpath.

Redundant Phone kiosk
Following a request for action from the Parish Council, BT had stated that there are no current plans to remove the Kiosk at Belmesthorpe. Clerk to continue to press for its removal.

Library opening hours update
See Library report in the APM

Paint recycling scheme - No progress to report

Bus stops St Ebbas Close. Mr Rushby reported that posts will be erected in early April then Delaine will add their timetables**.**

Bus Shelter outside Francis Court – Following extensive communications with Spire Homes and RCC, it was been agreed to site the new bus shelter at the south end of Francis Court to serve residents travelling to Stamford. The

installation costs of £500 will be funded by the Parish Council, the shelter will be funded by RCC.
Hand gritter from RCC. This will be used by the snow warden to replace the old one.

AGENDA ITEMS

Parish Council Vacancy
If by 8th March ten electors have not requested an election, then the Parish Council can co-opt a new member at the May meeting. If anyone is interested in standing as Councillor, please contact the Clerk.

Planning Sub Committee Representative
Mr N Bellairs and Mrs E Sismore will join the Planning Sub Committee.

Open Spaces
Mr Rushby, Mr Lloyd and a resident of Coppice Road, have distributed questionnaires to interested persons in Parkfield Road, Coppice Road and near The Spinney. The questionnaires will be submitted to the Open Spaces Society. Subject to investigation, if it is necessary to join this Society to enable submission, it was proposed by Mr Huddleston, seconded by Mr Rushby that the Parish Council do join for a fee of £52. Mr Rushby has taken photographic evidence of the areas which the Parish Council wish to retain as Open Spaces and will collect maps from RCC to ensure all open areas in the parish are included. It was further agreed that any trees of significance in the Open Spaces areas should be considered for TPO's. Mr Bellairs, the Tree Warden to review.

Issues and Options Consultation
The next formal stage for the LDF Site Allocations and Policies Plan is for Rutland County Council to publish a 'Preferred Options' plan. They are aiming to publish this June/July this year. This is the final public consultation stage leading to adoption following a public examination to consider unresolved objections.
At present Rutland County Council are processing all the responses received to the Issues and Options consultation document and should be in a position to provide a summary of the results in a few weeks time.
The Parish Council noted that two new potential sites.Site ref. SALL/RYH13 – land adjacent to the A6121 – former chicken farm and Site ref. SALL/BER/01 in Belmesthorpe had been submitted . Rutland County Council confirmed that these sites would be considered for inclusion as housing allocations in the **next** stage of the plan, in the summer 2012.
RCC stated that this ensures all new submissions are treated in a consistent manner in terms of their preparation of the Preferred Options document. It of course does not allow for release of information regarding these submissions for other parties to comment upon during the above consultation period.
The Council is not consulting on the Summary of Consultation Document as such, it is merely released for public information to assist the LDF process

The Council will carry out a full technical assessment of the two sites. This will be consistent with the technical appraisal work being undertaken on all the sites that were subject of the Issues and Options consultation.

If the sites are not considered acceptable for designation as allocations they will not be designated in the Preferred Options document. The process then allows for any objectors to their exclusion to make further representation in support which the Council has to consider before taking the plan forward to public examination.

If either of the 2 sites were to be considered acceptable for designation as proposed allocations in the Preferred Options document the process, as above, this requires that the Council carries out a further consultation on its proposals before submitting the plan for public examination. This would allow any objectors to the release of these sites, including the Parish Council, to make full representation in support of their case.

Quotes for Tree assessment on boundary of allotments
Following receipt of further quotations of significant sums to undertake tree assessment, it was proposed by Mr Bellairs, seconded by Mrs Smith and agreed (one abstain RM) to proceed with the felling of one beech tree (previously identified as needing attention) to the maximum figure of £300.

Cemetery Issues – Ongoing Purchase of land

Street Lighting
(1) Two upgrades completed in Belmesthorpe, thus completing the upgrades of Parish owned lights. The Clerk has requested a contribution from RCC. To be confirmed.
2) Continuation to St Ebbas Close – request has been submitted to RCC but no progress to report
(3) Future consideration to change to part night cells.
Mr Bellairs reported that in the Forum Minutes dated 7th February 2012 that a loan scheme has been approved in principle for energy saving upgrades but has not been set up yet. It does not include a contribution from RCC . Ryhall PC have 88 lamps in Ryhall and Belmesthorpe which at a cost of £63 per light would cost £5,550. Clerk to make further enquiries.
With regard to changing to part night lighting this would be considered again at a future date in conjunction with consultation with residents.

The Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations 2012 / Woodland Trust Jubilee Woods. The Parish Council are joining with Spire Homes to share a pack of 105 trees – our quota to be planted at the new cemetery.

Un-adopted Roads
Mrs Smith to continue to monitor the statement made by the Rural Community Council.

Refresh / refurbish Millennium Signs
Belmesthorpe NHW have requested funds for framing the two Millennuim signs back to back in bespoke wrought iron frame that would be mounted on the top of a finger post but higher. The Parish Council were not opposed to refurbishing the Millennium signs if they needed attention but it was not conclusive who actually purchased the signs ten years ago. The clerk to check and this item to be revisited at the next meeting.

Purchase of Grit Bin for Belmesthorpe
Belmesthorpe NHW requested a grit bin at the east end of the village, they suggest that it could be sited where the current redundant phone kiosk is. The NHW Committee state that there had been one accident there/ it is a blind bend which can be covered by ice from the spring in the adjacent fields. A grit bin costs £ 158 plus VAT and whilst the Parish Council were willing in principle to fund a grit bin it was noted that a possible better location might be at the top of Newsted Hill near the stables. Until progress is made with the removal of the

phone kiosk – there was not really a suitable site at the east end of the village. Clerk to relay this this information to the NHW Committee for their further consideration.

OTHER MEETINGS

Reports from Councillors on meetings they have attended as parish council representatives. Four Councilllors will visit to Casepack MRF on 13/04/12

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence to note:
RCC Housing and Homelessness Strategy 2012 – 2017
Crimestoppers – request for donation - last donated £50 in 2008. Declined.

Circulated
Woolfox Appeal 80m met mast. Mr Parsons reported that this is proceeding and further noted that the Ketton Wind Turbine will be 300 feet high and will be seen from Belmesthorpe.
RCC Fun Squad Event 17th Feb
Rutland Home Improvements Leaflets
Parish Briefing & Energy Advice
Parish Forum Minutes & Standards Committee
CPRE Guide to Neighbourhood Planning

South Kesteven DC Submission of Site Allocation and Policies Development Plan Document (with CD)
SKDC Grantham Area Action Plan and site Allocations Plan Examination- Exploratory Meeting on 15th Feb. Documentation circulated.
Allotment Gardeners Magazine
RCC Standards Committee Minutes
LINK Focus for Action– Tues 21 Feb

Emailed to Councillors
Allotment Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd February 2012
RCC Achievement Awards emailed on 14/2/12
Rural Community Council – Warm Campaign emailed 14/2/12
LRALC Training Project Funding Wed 9th May £35.00 per delegate. Mr Lloyd to attend.

FINANCE

Income received into Parish Account

Two allotment rents 2 x £6.50	13.00
Wayleave payment	5.75

Payments made since last meeting

Mrs C Adams February Salary	408.37
E-ON 2 street Light upgrades	1,260
Mrs C Adams Expenses	102.35

It was proposed by Mr Bellairs, seconded by Mr Huddleston and agreed to pay the following accounts:

Expenditure:	**Net**	**VAT**	**Total**
Mrs C Adams March salary			408.37
Ryhall Methodist Church Hire			15.00
AON Insurance for Pavilion			803.33

Rural Community Council – Annual Membership			40.00
Eon Street light repair	31.27	6.25	37.52
Eon Quarterly Maintenance	282.18	56.44	338.62
Leics & Rutland Playing Field Association	Annual membership		19.00

Payments made from Burial Accounts since last meeting

Veolia weed killing	18.00
Anglian Water Burial tap	18.96

Payments to make from Burial Account- NONE
Income received into Burial Account - NONE

Council Tax. As County Councillor, Mr Parsons reported that Ryhall had moved from the second highest council tax behind Oakham and Uppingham towns, to the fifth position. Council tax has increased by £4 per household per year, due to a 25% increase in the police precept.

PLANNING

Full Planning Permission granted
Erection of three storey detached dwelling and associated works, including double garage and new boundary walls. Quarry barn, Essendine Road, Ryhall PE9 4HE APP/2011/0569/PG

Outline Planning Permission - None
Listed Building Consent-Alterations –

Notification of decision in respect of a section 211 Notice proposing works to a tree or trees in a conservation area

Determination as to whether the prior approval of details is required (Agricultural and Forestry development)

Refusal of Full Planning Permission
Change of land use to the west of existing dwelling house from agricultural land to domestic garden. The Willows, Waterside, Ryhall PE9 4HH
Appeal Decisions- None
Withdrawal of planning application - None

PUBLIC TIME - NONE

OTHER BUSINESS

Spinney Lane road sign need replacing/ refurbishing
Rubbish in The Spinney and Belmesthorpe Lane – Clerk to ask RCC to remove
Litter on Essendine Hill. Ms Miller reported that RCC will clear footpaths/ verges but will not remove rubbish in the hedge rows. She submitted a complaint to RCC on 20th January regarding Essendine Hill. RCC assure that it is due to be cleared shortly but litter in hedges are the responsibility of the landowner.
Speeding on the A6121 – a resident has suggested more speed awareness signage following the move of the speed sign further out by St Ebbas Close.
Dog Fouling. Appeal to go in the Village News urging assistance from villagers to clear up after their dogs.

NEXT MEETING Annual Council Meeting Wednesday 9th May 2012 at 7.00pm at the Methodist Church, Ryhall

RYHALL ALLOTMENT ASOCIATION MEETING
THURSDAY 23RD FEBRUARY 2012 THE MEETING ROOM RYHALL METHODIST CHURCH AT 7.30PM

Attendees – 14 allotment holders or representatives
Apologies – Ged Lambert, Wal and Sue Carpenter, Alan Grainger, Ted Haynes

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed Proposed by Eric woods seconded Katherine Ayton.
Matters Arising

Brick built manure store