MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYHALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 13th JANUARY 2019 AT 7.00 pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL, RYHALL

PRESENT , Vice Chairman Mr D Amies (DA) in the Chair Mr D Wilby (DW) Mrs S Smith (SS) Mrs S Markwell-Cook (SMC)) Mr J Gresty (JG) Mr A Gombault (AG)
Mrs E Sismore (ES) Mrs D Rolfe (DR)

County Councillor R Coleman was representing the parish at the Parish Forum at Catmose
One member of the public in attendance

01/20 APOLOGIES
Mr P Huddleston (PH) Mr C Parsons (CP) Mr N Bellairs (NB)

02/20 DECLARATIONS OF UNREGISTERED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS FROM MEMBERS ON MATTERS IN WHICH THEY HAVE A REGISTERED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST –
DA and DR declared a DPI in Item 8 Festive lights

03/19 PUBLIC TIME – Requested at the end of the meeting

04/20 MINUTES
It was proposed by ES, seconded by SS that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th November 2019 were correct and be approved and signed

05/20 Matters Arising from the previous minutes
Footpath along Foundry Road – RCC confirm that this will be resurfaced in the next financial year
Headstone inspection update- the clerk continues to seek to contact the families of the the headstones in the new cemetery to ensure the maintenance is progressed.

AGENDA ITEMS

06/20 HIGHWAYS ISSUES
A6121 Update The solid white lines and HFS with SLOW marking has been approved and added to the forward programme

Feasibility study for ITCP-2019-33 Belmesthorpe. If the vehicle speeds are low RCC would propose not to progress at the two entrances to Belmesthorpe. The Parish Council have been asked to consider funding them at a cost of approximately £1,110 plus installation. It was decided to wait for the outcome of the study.

Feasibility studies for the A6121 gateways will be completed by mid February for comment by the PC before the March meeting. A gateway outside St Eabbas Close might not be able to be altered due to the road/footpath layout. The 30mph sign on the east side of the carriageway is set behind the footpath as there is no space between the footpath and carriageway, this would make a gate ineffective on this side. Therefore only one gate might be possible. At the entrance to Ryhall from Stamford the gates could replace the existing 30mph sign

Proposed footway from Foundry Road to Shepherds Walk along Belmesthorpe Lane on the left hand side. AG noted the previous comments in the parish plan about the desire to retain separation of settlements between the two villages. The parish plan had not asked the direct question about a possible footway. It was decided to consult with Belmesthorpe

residents in the first instance and defer any formal resolution to submit an ITCP until the spring.

White Bridge – Repair to the damaged railings and posts reported November 2019 will be undertaken in the next financial year.

RCC suggest that the weight restrictions request would not be supported due to the fact that the bridge is structurally sound and already has a weight limit of 7.5tonnes imposed on it. It is accepted that access is permitted for vehicles over that weight . RCC will respond to the PC request for the width restriction.

White Bridge – jet washing and painting. As previously noted ,this would need bridge closure and diversion, and advice from the Environment agency about painting over the watercourse. One quote currently obtained for £1100 plus jet washing 350. No action on a decision until the repair is completed

Clear weeds on Shepherds Walk footpath .It was proposed by ES, seconded by SS and agreed to the quote for £14.32 plus VAT

Signage – footbridge Castle Rise –A resident reported slipping in wet weather, the PC considered if signage to warn others might be appropriate. However the PC decided (1) There are similar bridges of this kind elsewhere in Rutland and none of them are known to have any warning signage (2) It is not clear what wording could be put on such signage anyway which would prevent occasional accidents from happening (3) There might be an issue with liability if signage were erected (4) RCC has a policy of reducing and/or eliminating unnecessary signage across the County.

Coppice Road Parking – noted that residents now appeared to be parking on the pavements it was agreed to ask the PCSO if they could include this area on their beats to offer guidance and advice about obstruction by parking on pavements. Parking has resumed again on the Green following the previous letter to residents, again causing mud and damage. It was agreed to place two temporary signs near the area to ask residents to desist

Roundabout etiquette. Noted that there appears to be confusion about giving way at the two mini roundabouts on the A6121 possibly due to their close proximity. It was proposed by DR, seconded by ES and agreed unanimously to request that RCC repaint and refresh the roundabout bases in white and ask for their views on signage.

07/20 LAND TRANSFER
Ryhall Parish Council is interested in investigating the possibilities of transferring ownership of plots of land from Rutland County Council to the parish council. The Chairman has asked RCC to itemize any plots that are available in this scheme and if this would include any buildings on the plot. Plus any cost implications. Await response.

08/20 CHRISTMAS 2020 Lights in the Tree in the Square.
Festive lights this year were kindly provided courtesy of the residents on the Square. Consideration has been given to the various options in the future which if undertaken by the parish council would require, for health and safety purposes, a permanent solution for electricity supply at some significant costs. It was proposed by SS seconded by JG and agreed not to include this additional expenditure in the 2020/21 precept and remain with the status quo. DR and DA abstained. Under this resolution, the lights would then be a community led initiative and not be under the remit of the parish council.

09/20 GRASSCUTTING QUOTES for cemeteries for 2020
Two quotes were considered for the next season. It was proposed by JG seconded by SS and agreed to accept Quote B a local contractor for 11 cuts as detailed in the specification. Should more cuts be required due to the weather, it was agree to ask for a lower rate for subsequent cuts. All in favour. ES abstained.

10/20 PRECEPT REQUEST and BUDGET
The Vice Chairman thanked AG for his work in preparing the Band D figures
The Clerk had presented the budget in the agenda packs for Councillors' advance consideration. It was noted that increased costs in the insurance due to the new play equipment installation and grass-cutting plus a decrease in income due to reduction of revenue from RCC were to be considered. The surplus of 2019/20 would be carried forward. This would contribute to any unexpected drop in next year's burial income which cannot be predicted. The parish council is mindful to maintain an adequate level of income whilst considering the Band D increase to residents.
It was proposed by AG, seconded by ES and agreed unanimously to request a precept of £32,494(an increase of £2003) for the financial year 2020/21. This would equate to an annual increase of 3.9% for Band D residents (£2.00 per household a year for the parish part of the precept)

11/20 PLAY AREA UPDATE
New play area installation. Work will commence on Monday 24th February 2020. It was proposed by ES, seconded by SMC and agreed to transfer £150.00 to the Play Park ring fenced account to cover the deficit of £71.48 required to settle the final invoice of £39,960 including VAT
Grand opening in spring – It was proposed by DR, seconded by SMC and agreed to fund up to a maximum of £200 towards expenses including publicity. DW asked for confirmation of the date to arrange a litter pick ahead of the event.
Under 5 area – the play park committee is obtaining quotes for Phase Two of this project. Fundraising has commenced as one of the three of the Waitrose community funds for the month of January 2020
The £4,000 ringfenced from the Playing Fields Committee will be allocated towards the Under 5 project along with the 6,660 VAT reclaim in July from the first project.
Hedge Laying and Parking on the grass. JG is seeking quotes and/ or hopefully conservation volunteers to undertake this project which would be planned for Autumn after the completion of Phase One of the play area project. It was noted that a 'parking on the grass policy' would need to be established once the installations were complete.

12/20 OTHER MEETINGS – Reports from Councillors on meetings they have attended as parish council Representatives. DW noted the Rutland County Council forthcoming Civic Reception on 31st January 2020.

13/20CORRESPONDENCE

Circulated: by email
18 .09.19 Draft Minutes
20.11.19 Rutland Climate Change Consultation and action event
25.11.19 Safer Celebration Awards
06.01.20 North Beat Report

Correspondence to note
The Draft Local Plan will be published shortly with a further consultation period
Replacement Street Light request for outside Ivy Cottage, Foundry Road
Ownership of land outside Gwash Close
Pop Up Fire Station and Community Event 23rd March 10am to 2.00pm in the Village Hall

14/20 FINANCE

Income received into Parish Account

From Wayleave for cable	5.75

Payments made since last meeting	**Nett**	**VAT**	**Total**
02.12.19 Mrs C Adams Salary November			857.95
02.12.19 HM Revenue for tax CA and DT			512.59
02.12.19 N Belliars for Defribrillator items			166.80
06.01.20 Envrionment SK	294.84	58.97	353.18
06.01.20 Mrs C Adams December salary			857.75
06.01.20 HM Revenue for January			253.00

Payments to be made at meeting:	**Nett**	**VAT**	**TOTAL**
Ryhall Village Hall Hire			17.00
Hills Accountant for admin	49.00	9.80	58.80
Belmesthorpe Neighbourhood Watch			50.00
BIFFA dog bin emptying	325.00	65.00	390.00

Payment of the above accounts as detailed were proposed by ES, seconded by DR and agreed

It was proposed by SS, seconded by AG and agreed to the funding of the three bench refurbishment
K Altham – Bench Maintenance (three benches refurbished) 150.00

It was proposed by ES, seconded by DW and agreed to the Library Funding for 2019/20
RCC Payment for Library 2019/20 for Saturday Opening 2,5000
RCC host various events at Ryhall and other libraries on a Saturday . Agreed to investigate how other Libraries are Saturday funded with a view to review and write to RCC Library services to suggest future Saturday funding revert to RCC's remit.

Noted that the street light column (3553) outside the school on Vicarage Lane requires funding from the parish council for maintenance to repair as per the contract agreed with the school on December 11 2017 . Clerk to action

Payments made from Burial Accounts since last meeting – None
Income received into Burial Account – None
Payments to agree from the Burial Account – None

Income received into the CIL Play area community fund 10,000 from the High Interest account transfer

Accounts	**As at 13.01.20**	**Estimate Balance at 31.03.20**
Current Account	14,488.24	6,524
High Interest	14,128.10	14,128.10
Burial Current	125.71	100.00
CIL Community Account	39,888.53	39,888.53

15/20 PLANNING

Full Planning Permission & Listed building Consent
Erection of flue for woodburning stove on the side elevation. The Birches Foundry Road Ryhall PE94JA **2019/1059/FUL**

Construction of two storey side extension 2 Balk Road, Ryhall PE9 4HT **2019/1066/FUL**

Single storey side extension – 7 Gwash Meadows Belmesthorpe Lane, Ryhall PE9 4LB **2019/1248/FUL**

Outline Planning Permission & Retrospective Applications - None

Refusal of Planning Permission
1 Beech Drive Ryhall PE9 4EW Proposed extension and alternations to dwelling **2019/1004/FUL**

Notification of decision in respect of a section 211 Notice proposing works to a tree or trees in a conservation area
1 No mature silver birch tree- removal due to structural damage to property. 4 Waterside, Ryhall PE9 4EY **2019/1080/CAT**

Determination as to whether the prior approval of details is required (Development within the cartilage of a dwellinghouse)
Proposed flat roof single storey extension . 25 St Johns Close, Ryhall Rutland PE9 4HS **209/1328/DEP**

Approval of details required by condition planning permission

Planning applications observations:

Material change of use of part of existing building from agriculture to B2 use (vehicle repairs) with associated works. Land at Borderville Farm, Stamford Road **2019/1317/FUL**

03/20 PUBLIC TIME
Queries raised as to the status of the former butchers shop site. The parish council confirmed that no planning application or change of use has been received to date. Comment on the roundabout issue discussed in agenda item 06/20

16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Vicarage Lane – ownership of wall and lane
Four year Plan 2020 - 2024
School (1) parking update (2) Eco initiative
Speedwatch Initiative
VE Day – 8th May

17. NEXT MEETINGS - The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 9th March at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Ryhall This will be followed by an ordinary meeting of the Parish Council.
The date of the Annual Council meeting will be Monday 18th May 2020