

TREETON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 28th October 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor: T.W. Adair (Chairman)
Councillors: G. Cooper, D.A. Goy, and D. Whysall.
In attendance: C.J. Brown (Clerk) and B. Walsh.

2019/119 Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A.S. Badger and J.F. Swift.

2019/120 Councillor Disqualification.

The clerk advised Councillors that there had been no call for an election which then allowed the Parish Council to co-opt a new member of the Council. Councillors commented upon the circumstances surrounding Richard Bakers continued absences and felt that if they had been aware of his circumstances the outcome may have been different. The Chairman was to arrange a meeting with Richard Baker and other Councillors to seek his views on returning and as to his future commitment to the Parish Council.

2019/121 Public Question Time.

There were no questions from the floor.

2019/122 Minutes of Meeting.

Minutes of the meetings held on 23rd September 2019 were taken as read, copies having been circulated to all members of the council.

Resolved: That the minutes are approved.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.
Seconded: Councillor G. Cooper.

2019/123 Matters Arising.

2019/089 a) Councillor Goy asked if there had been a response from Lynne Rowan regarding the new contact for housing queries. The clerk replied that there had been no response.

Resolved: The Clerk was asked to contact Lynne Rowan again and also copy Janice Curran and Borough Councillor Walsh on the email.

2019/111 r) Councillor Goy advised that following the last meeting there had been a speed check carried out between 8.30 a.m. and 9.30 a.m. during which three speeding motorists were caught. As the exercise was carried out by PCSO's warnings were issued but prosecutions may follow. It was noted that there was also to be a further exercise on Friday 15th November.

2019/124 Correspondence Received.

- a) Rotherham MBC Community Safety and Streetscene – Notification was received that carriageway resurfacing work was to take place on High Hazel Road, Well Lane, Treeton Lane and Treeton Lane. This work was to be completed sometime before the end of the financial year ending March 2020.
- b) Rotherham MBC Planning – Notification was received that BT were planning to remove 33 payphones currently in the Borough.
- c) Northern Gas Networks – a copy of their September Update was received.
- d) S.Y.P.T.E. – Notification of Supertram fare changes were received.

- e) S.Y.P.T.E. – Notification that the Tram Train had recently passed one million passengers.
- f) FCC Communities Foundation – Information was received that they were now using the landfill site located at Thurcroft as an authorised site for funding, formerly known as WREN. Grants were on offer from £2,000 o £100,000. Councillor Goy queried whether the Parish Council would be able to claim as they could not when the scheme was known as WREN. The clerk was to see if he could find out is grants could be claimed.
- g) Kris Mackay SYHA – An update was received on the recently held meeting at the Wintergreen.
- h) Kris Mackay SYHA – An email was received advising of the next great ideas meeting to be held on 22nd October at the Catcliffe Memorial Hall.
- i) YLCA – Notification of 151 additional Police Officers for South Yorkshire and details of dates and venues for the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner Public Accountability Board Meetings.
- j) YLCA – Notification of an Important Consultation for the Parish Sector, The Redmond Review. Details of this were included with a closure date of 22nd November 2019.
- k) YLCA – A media Statement was received from the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the ONS Crime statistics or South Yorkshire.
- l) YLCA – Details of events for the 75th Anniversary Celebrations of VE day were received.
- m) Janice Curran RMBC – Notification of a Code of Conduct and Social Media Seminar to be held on Thursday 7th November and Monday 2nd December was received.
- n) Janice Curran RMBC – Notification of the next Town and Parish councils Network meeting which was to take place on Tuesday 19th November at Aston Parish Hall.
- o) Janice Curran RMBC – Details regarding registering on Volunteer Connect were received.
- p) Janice Curran RMBC – Details of the CIL seminar that took place on the 8th October were received.
- q) Janice Curran RMBC – details of the new ward boundaries were received.
- r) Janice Curran RMBC – Details of a Parish Councils Finance/Budget Setting seminar to be held on 21st November were received.
- s) Kiley Taylor RMBC – Details of a BME awareness event taking place on 29th October were received.
- t) Kiley Taylor RMBC – Details of the Rotherham Military Community Veterans Centre Outreach Trailer were received.
- u) Kiley Taylor RMBC – Details of the Black History Month events were received.
- v) Simon Bowens Friends of the Earth – An email was received giving 20 climate change actions for Parish Council.
- w) Rotherham Holiday Aid – A letter was received requesting grant aid towards their funds.

Resolved: A grant of £50 is awarded.
Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.
Seconded: Councillor G. Cooper.

2019/125 Borough Councillors Report.

Borough Councillor Walsh advised that further projects had been funded through the devolved budget including the Halloween Litter pick. The former school building on Front Street had been placed on the open marked that day. Councillor Goy enquired about the resurfacing of the footpath around the Waverley Lagoon, this had been raised by the Waverley Community Council with the contractors but it was unlikely that any permanent surface would be provided whilst the development was still progressing.

2019/126 Allotments, Environment and Cemeteries.

2019/126 a) Councillor Whysall again raised the issue of chickens being allowed on allotment plots. Borough Councillor Walsh stated there had been similar problems at Thurcroft and that as part of the Allotments Act 1950 chickens were allowed. The Clerk was asked to look into this for the next meeting.

2019/126 b) Councillor Whysall again commented upon the grass cutting around the village and would be raising it at the meeting arranged for Friday.

2019/127 Recreation Ground and Play Areas.

Councillor Goy advised that 4 x 4 vehicles had again been on the Red Rose Playing Fields at the weekend. It was felt that the only way to prevent this was to install boulders at the bottom of the field and a gate at the top.

2019/128 Youth Club.

The Chairman advised that numbers were still holding up but varied from week to week. This week they were holding a litter pick and disco.

2019/129 Community Centre.

The Chairman reported that the Centre was now being used seven days per week. Kris Mackay was wanting to set up a café in the centre, initially on a trial basis, and discussions were ongoing. Improvements were ongoing with the centre being redecorated and new lights installed.

2019/130 Chairman's Review.

Fly tipping was continuing although it did not appear to be as bad. This may be as a result on newspaper coverage of the prosecutions that had taken place recently with more to follow.

2019/131 Planning Applications.

Since the last meeting there had been no new applications submitted.

Confirmation had been received that under application RB2019/0793 5 dwelling houses had been approved conditionally. Notification was also received regarding the Consultation on Draft Supplementary Planning Documents with the consultation lasting from 7th October to 4th November 2019.

2019/132 Any Other Urgent Business.

2019/132 a) Councillor Goy again raised the issue of an additional Post Box at the end of Bradshaw Avenue. The clerk was to write to the Royal Mail again.

2019/132 b) Councillor Goy advised that due to changing shift patterns the PCSO Surgery held on Thursday mornings may have to be held in the afternoons. No start date had as yet been given for the new shift patterns.

2019/132 c) Councillor Cooper raised the issue of the saplings planted when Windle Court was developed that had now grown into trees and were causing obstructions and not allowing residents to park. The Clerk was asked to contact Jones Homes on the matter.

2019/133 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

2019/133 a) The clerk outlined the accounts to date, and produced a copy of the cashbook and an up to date financial statement of the council's affairs.

2019/133 b) The following accounts were approved for payment.

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Post Office	Direct Debit	104.24
Co-Operative Bank	Direct Debit	2.00
Staff Salaries	Bank Transfer	1,967.03
Petty Cash	Bank Transfer	15.93
J. Hadrell	Bank Transfer	60.00
Healthguard Ltd.,	Bank Transfer	216.00
Middleton Waste Recycling	Bank Transfer	325.00
Rotherham MBC	Direct Debit	25.00
SJD Sports Coaching	Bank Transfer	903.96
Rotherham Holiday Aid	Bank Transfer	50.00
Mortons	Bank Transfer	980.00
Opus Energy	Direct Debit	50.15
Opus Energy	Direct Debit	45.39
Dignity UK	Bank Transfer	784.00
TRBL Poppy Appeal NFC12		50.00

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Seconded: Councillor D. Whysall

2019/133 c) The clerk had prepared a new set of Financial Regulations following advice of minor changes from the YLCA.

Resolved: That the new Financial Regulation as adopted.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Seconded: Councillor G. Cooper.

2019/133 d) The clerk had prepared a new Emergency Plan following receipt of a new master from Rotherham MBC.

Resolved: That the new Emergency Plan as adopted.

Proposed: Councillor D.A. Goy.

Seconded: Councillor G. Cooper.

2019/133 e) The clerk informed councillors that he had now made arrangements for Bliss Internet to provide internet access for the Reading Rooms in exchange for adverts in the Parish Council Newsletter. Currently the telephone connection in the Reading Rooms was provided by the Post Office, who were the previous internet provider, the clerk asked councillors if they now wished to terminate this facility and use the mobile phone used by remote workers as the Reading Rooms telephone.

Resolved: The clerk cancels the contract with the Post Office and the mobile telephone is used as the Reading Rooms telephone.

2019/134 Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Monday 18th November 2019 at 7.00 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

Chairman:

Date: