

Barkestone, Plungar & Redmile

Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 16 September 2014 at 7:00 pm at St Peter's Church, Redmile

Present: Cllr. Smith (in the Chair), Barlow, Hague, Parry

Residents: 1

Ref:	Subject:	Action
094/14	Apologies accepted from: Councillors Evans & Stevens. Apology from Borough Councillor Bagguley.	
095/14	Minutes: Minutes of the last Parish Council Meeting held on 19 August were read, an addition was made to 091/14c as a cheque for £4 to the Land Registry had not been included. With that inclusion, it was resolved that the minutes be signed.	
096/14	Declarations of Interest: None	
097/14	<p>Residents Question Time: A Redmile resident attended in light of the planning application for The Peacock at Redmile. Firstly, he raised his concerns about a wall that is coming away from its foundations by the cottages next to The Peacock. The cottages were owned by the pub but no-one is sure that is still the case. Need to find out who owns the cottages & is responsible for the wall. A secondary concern is the state of the bridleways/byeways around Redmile during the wet weather. Previously short term closures appeared to be a solution but this seems to no longer be the case as subsequent requests have been met with the response that all requests must be done via the legal system. The resident said he has a document that he will send through that details the circumstances of how action could be taken.</p> <p>The planning application for The Peacock is also a cause for concern in regard to parking, noise & the plan for a decked area at the front of the pub. The proposed Play Area seems to be out of context with the location of the pub & the belief seems to be that the space should be for car parking. Parking is a long standing issue in Redmile in any case without the prospect of The Peacock opening with less car parking than it had originally. There are 9 objections already to the planning application as it stands so will go to Planning Committee. It is likely there will need to be a compromise from both the residents & The Peacock owners.</p>	
098/14	<p>Planning:</p> <p>New Planning Applications:</p> <p>14/00639 + 14/00640 – The Peacock Inn, 22 Main Street, Redmile – the Parish Council objects to this application because of the current impact to visual amenity & resident amenity as the proposed Play Area is too close to the cottages; they are against an increase to the decking area at the back & are keen to see car parking spaces at the back retained as they would prefer to see an open area at the front rather than car parking. Would like to see revised plans submitted.</p> <p>14/00712 – Field OS1600, Castle View Road, Easthorpe – the Parish Council objects to this application as it is a relatively large turbine in an area of landscape sensitivity.</p> <p>Planning Applications Pending:</p> <p>14/00579 – Grace's Barn Farm, Sutton Road, Redmile ~ the Parish Council do not object to this application</p> <p>14/00611 – The Cottage, 4 Rutland Square, Barkestone ~ the Parish Council objected to this application</p> <p>14/00613 – Glebe Farm, Sutton Road, Redmile ~ the Parish Council did not object to this application</p> <p>Planning Applications Approved:</p> <p>14/00631/TCA – 15 Main Street, Redmile – the Parish Council has no objection to this application</p> <p>Other Planning Related Topics</p> <p>(a) New Melton Local Plan – Melton Borough Council has an extraordinary meeting on Thursday 18 September to discuss the options & agree way forward from the first round of reference group feedback. Reference groups re-start in October.</p> <p>(b) Conservation Status – the Local Plan will take priority which leaves little resource for anything else.</p> <p>(c) Shell Field Farm – 09/00373 – Jim Worley has advised the owners have until August 2015 to submit a planning application.</p> <p>(d) Invitation to Andrew Dudley to speak at Parish Council Meeting on Planning Enforcement – no response</p> <p>(e) Green Energy UK Direct – seeking land for solar project – noted by Parish Council</p> <p>(f) Walnut tree behind 3 to 5 Middle Street, Barkestone – no planning application received to date, check if the tree has been pruned, if not, send a remainder to Andrew Granger.</p>	Parish Clerk
099/14	Bottesford Neighbourhood Plan: invite Bob Bayman, Chair of Steering Group to next meeting	Parish Clerk
100/14	Recruitment of Parish Councillors: Leicestershire & Rutland Association of Local Councils (LRALC) has asked parish councils to promote awareness. Barkestone, Plungar & Redmile has had its fair share of struggling to find residents who would be interested in standing as parish councillors. Promote in newsletter again.	Parish Clerk
101/14	Crime Report: Submitted by Malcolm Grant, Police Community Volunteer on behalf of Melton North Rural Beat L25. 1 incident of damage reported in Barkestone. Report to be posted to the Parish Council website.	Parish Clerk
102/14	Community Involvement Initiative: Plungar Village Hall Committee are working on a questionnaire but it will take longer than originally planned. Cllr Barlow will see a draft of the questionnaire.	
103/14	Automated External Defibrillators (AED) in Barkestone & Redmile: deferred until October as Martin Fagan from CHT could not attend tonight's meeting.	
104/14	<p>Highways & Byeways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ditch Clearing on Main Road, Redmile – C Cllr. Rhodes raised with Mike Sheldrake, awaiting a response but will follow up again. Speeding along Barkestone Lane between Barkestone & Plungar – LCC Highways believe the only solutions available have been outlined. Check if rumble strips are an option. Grass cutting of urban verges – only one quote received to date. Chase up others. Pothole on New Causeway – need to check if it has been filled <p>Speedwatch – will be in October next year</p>	<p>C Cllr Rhodes</p> <p>Parish Clerk</p> <p>Parish Clerk Cllr. Parry</p>
105/14	Footpaths: No report	

106/14	<p>Play Area: Reports are up to date. Check to see if Play Area Committee has decided whether to take on a constitution. No response to email covering proposed responsibilities, painting of fence & availability of Shire grant but email was only recently sent out.</p> <p>The new signs are ready, they need to be collected & installed.</p>	Parish Clerk Cllr. Smith
107/14	<p>Redmile Churchyard: Patrick & Kevin Riddell have completed the re-pointing of the section of the church wall. The plan is to complete another section next year.</p>	
108/14	<p>Review Parish Council Responsibilities: Cllr. Hague said the ground outside Evergreen Barn has been cleared but it doesn't look as though the job has been finished off. Cllr. Hague to send through photos so that a follow up can be made.</p> <p>Cllr. Smith waited for a contractor who was going to quote for work to be completed at the Plungar Village War Memorial but the contractor did not show. The Shire grant application cannot be submitted without 2 quotations so on hold. A land ownership request is being submitted to Land Registry to confirm that the Parish Council/Plungar village owns the land.</p>	Parish Clerk Parish Clerk
109/14	<p>Adopting Latest Governance Documents: Model Standing Orders to be reviewed by Parish Clerk & Cllr. Parry for adoption at October's meeting</p> <p>Model Financial Regulations are ready to be adopted but require a reference number from Standing Orders. Resend the recommendations & draft Financial Regulations.</p>	Parish Clerk & Cllr. Parry Parish Clerk
110/14	<p>Financial:</p> <p>(a) Current account balance at 31.08.14: £12,736.60; Deposit account balance: £10,677.65</p> <p>(b) External Auditor signed off accounts for year ended 31 March 2014.</p> <p>(c) Receipts and payments listing annexed</p> <p>(d) Bank statement matches receipts and payment listing - Checked</p> <p>(e) Verify Parish Clerk salary calculation - Checked</p> <p>(f) Payments since 19.08.14 – £123.50 to E-on for street lighting</p> <p>Cheques required: Sharon Pyke - £299.37 September salary; Sharon Pyke - £6.36 12 x 2nd class stamps; HMRC - £223.80 PAYE; Grant Thornton - £120.00 audit of accounts; Eon - £28.16 repair to streetlight; KDR - £340.00 + P Riddell - £340 partial re-pointing of St Peter's church wall at Redmile; R.P. Hunt (services) - £727.80 – headland mowing</p>	Cllr. Parry Cllr. Smith
111/14	<p>Councillors Reports:</p> <p><u>Cllr. Barlow:</u> Gypsy Lane dog poo bin location is a problem for Biffa to empty. Meeting with Biffa to be arranged. Cllr Barlow to join if available. Wondered if others had had a chance to review the email that was sent about churchyard responsibilities?</p> <p><u>Cllr. Hague:</u> In light of the work that was carried out to the gate post, the PCC should be made aware that they can't request work to be carried out to the church yard. The new gate post is soft wood & is the wrong shape. The gentleman who is making the 3 new gates will soon resume work after a period of ill health. 1 gate is complete. It is anticipated that the gates will be complete by 2016.</p>	Parish Clerk
112/14	<p>Date of Next Meeting: 21 October 2014 @ 7:00pm at Plungar Village Hall</p> <p>Meeting closed at: 9:10pm</p>	