

**MINUTES of the RANSKILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**held at the BOWLS CLUB, STATION ROAD**  
**WEDNESDAY 11th JANUARY 2023 at 7:30pm**

**PRESENT:**

**Chair:** D. Simpson

**Councillors:** J. Peel, P. Brown, M. Pryce, P. Blatchford. L. Shaw. Cllr C. Janson-Piers has resigned with immediate effect.

**D.Cllr:** Absent

**C.Cllr:** T.Taylor

**Clerk:** B. Kinsey

**Members of the public:** There were two members of the public attending.

**01/0123: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllrs A. Garner, A. Bing

**02/0123 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS:** None

**03/0123: OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the public present.

**04/0123: MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 30TH OF NOVEMBER 2022.**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 30th of November were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

**05/0123:**

**COUNTY COUNCILOR'S REPORT**

County working on devolution and the budget for the new financial year. Cllrs again complained about the maintenance of roads and repairs of potholes which are getting progressively more serious. Tracey reported that the repairs will be progressed and are in the schedule for the next financial year.

**DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

None.

**06/0123: UPDATE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The NP was approved by BDC at a full council meeting on 8th December.

The referendum will be held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February for the referendum. The PC is not permitted to publicise this event, other than to provide a link to the documents on the BDC website. All arrangements will be carried out by BDC, each resident will receive a voting card in the post. The Clerk will put the link on our noticeboards and website.

**07/0123: CRIME & POLICING**

Crime figures just published are only 6 September, 5 October and 11 in November for Ranskill and Lound. The majority of crimes were theft and burglary. The Clerk was asked to contact our PCSO to enquire if figures for Ranskill alone could be available.

**08/0123: HIGHWAYS and TRAFFIC**

Blyth Road is still in a state of worsening disrepair. Cllrs can lodge further complaints on the highways website.

### **09/0123: FINANCE**

a. Bank balances as at the 30th of December were: -

Current - £100.00

Reserve - £62,099.87, including ring fenced funds of £10,111.

b. Review and agree the budget for 2023-24

Cllrs discussed the budget and increase in the precept request of 5%. It is helpful that there is an increase in the tax base of 20 more houses. Many of our costs are increasing in the next financial year between 8 to 10%. The budget was approved, proposed by Cllr Peel, seconded by Cllr Pryce.

### **10/0123: PLANNING**

a. Consider new planning applications received by 11th January 2023.

There were no new applications.

b. Updates on existing planning applications and other planning issues.

Folly Nook Park, Folly Nook Lane, the contractor has been appointed to lay the footpath.

22/01471/HSE, Kaanjo has been refused and 22/01279/HSE 4 Southfall Close and 22/01249/COU The Old Maltings both approved.

### **11/0123: COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW**

a. Relocation of the Parish sign on Great North Road.

The Clerk has passed all details to C.Cllr Taylor and we await a quote from VIA EM.

### **12/0123: AMENITIES AND FACILITIES**

a. Consider items relating to the village environment.

- Playground safety: The January report highlighted that the roundabout needed lubricating, the Clerk will ask North Notts to oblige.

- CCTV: more work needs to be done as local businesses seem reluctant to host the system.

b. Grant Funding for the playground

Cllr Bing has received 2 formal quotes for the project and waiting for one more before we are in a position to apply for grant funding. Cllrs wanted to express their appreciation of the work done so far by Cllr Bing.

c. Consider further locations for tree planting

Cllr Shaw has suggested 5 more trees to be planted on Jubilee path and the remaining 10 to be located in the playground alongside the green fencing and the MUGA, a list of species will be supplied to North Notts for a final quote to complete the work.

### **13/0123: UPDATE ON THE PC WEBSITE FROM THE SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM**

The team are to circulate local community groups to check their details. The Clerk asked that the work be completed by the end of February otherwise annual invoices from current suppliers will be issued.

### **14/0123: CONSIDER A NEW CONSTITUTION FOR THE JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE**

The proposed constitution was thoroughly discussed. It was felt the proposed document was unnecessarily complex and lengthy. An alternative document drawn up by Cllrs was considered and approved. Proposed Cllr Shaw, seconded by Cllr Brown. Two further amendments were suggested before being made available to the JBC.

### **15/0123: CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST**

The following matters were received after the agenda was issued and considered:-

- Ranskill Festival: correspondence received requesting use of the playground on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June, agreed by Cllrs.

- 2nd Ranskill Scouts: grant requested for £200 to support the annual trip to Wales on May day bank holiday, Agreed by Cllrs.
- Discussion regarding the requirement of photo ID for all elections from May. The Clerk will place a bulletin on our noticeboards.
- Ripples Charity, donation of £24.93 agreed by Cllrs for the purchase of children's books.

**16/0123: INFORMATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NEXT MEETING**

None

**17/0123: DATE OF THE NEXT MEETINGS**

The next meeting is at 7.30pm 8th February 2023

Signed as a true record: -

Chair: D. Simpson