

MINUTES of the RANSKILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held at the BOWLS CLUB, STATION ROAD
WEDNESDAY 8th MARCH 2023 at 7:30pm

PRESENT:

Chair: D. Simpson

Councillors: L. Shaw, J. Peel, P. Brown, P. Blatchford, A. Bing, M. Pryce

D.Cllr: G. Bowers

C.Cllr: T. Taylor

Clerk: B. Kinsey

Members of the public: There was 1 member of the public attending.

01/0323: APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr A. Garner

02/0323 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS: None

03/0323: OPEN FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The member of public introduced themselves as the prospective Conservative District Councillor.

04/0323: MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 8TH OF FEBRUARY 2023.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 8th of February were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

05/0323:

COUNTY COUNCILOR'S REPORT

The budget has been approved for the coming financial year with an overall increase of 4.84%. The discretionary fund for the C.Cllrs has been reduced to £3k each.

The Hive Energy formal planning application has not yet been received. Despite the local protest group's assumptions, the number of vehicle movements and routing has not yet been decided. The CC will not launch a full study of vehicle traffic.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

No recent resident complaints to follow up. The DC tax has been decided at 2.99%. It was noted that the precept for Ranskill was considerably lower than neighbouring villages.

06/0323: UPDATE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The referendum formally approved the NP which is now adopted and will influence future planning applications. The Clerk has uploaded the NP and associated documents on both our websites.

07/0323: CRIME & POLICING

Crime figures for February were less than the previous month, but higher than the average for 2022.

08/0323: HIGHWAYS and TRAFFIC

The Clerk has advertised for volunteers for a new speed watch group in the next edition of The Star and on our notice boards. A reply was also sent to our PCSO stating we have already purchased a speed radar gun and actively recruiting volunteers.

09/0323: FINANCE

a. Bank balances as at the 28th February were: -

Current - £100.00

Reserve - £59,174.05, including ring fenced funds of £10,111.

b. Update on CIL grant funding

The PC has received the legal CIL agreement for £45,636.23 from BDC. The documents were endorsed by two Cllrs and witnessed. The Clerk will return the documents to BDC legal services.

10/0323: PLANNING

a. Consider new planning applications received by 8th March 2023.

Two new applications have been received: -

23/00155/HSE - Squirrel Lodge 3 Spinney Mede Ranskill – Proposed Single Storey Rear Extension Including Garden Room (Retrospective)

22/00043/HSE - 57 Arundel Drive, Ranskill - Demolish Conservatory and Erect Single Storey Rear Extension.

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

The pulverised ash treatment near Daneshill Lakes is expected to lodge their planning application shortly.

11/0323: COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

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

VIA EM has just appointed a new District Manager in post, C.Cllr Taylor will now pursue our request.

12/0323: AMENITIES AND FACILITIES

a. Consider items relating to the village environment.

- Playground safety: The March report has not been received but no issues are expected. The Clerk has requested the price for a new basket on the cantilever swing from Wickstead.

b. Grant Funding for the playground

Cllr Bing presented the final quotation, 3 of 3 from Kompan. In view of the green credentials of materials and the overall design Cllrs expressed the view that Kompan would become the preferred supplier. Proposed by Cllr Shaw and seconded by Cllr Pryce. Cllr Bing will now proceed to completing the grant application.

c. Update on new tree planting

North Notts have been instructed to source and plant 16 more trees to exhaust the LCF grant funding. The work is expected to be completed very shortly. The clerk will apply for the remaining grant funding once complete.

A price was obtained from MG Oates our usual tree surgeon to trim 2 trees on Oakes Close for the price of £375. This was approved by Cllrs, proposed by Cllr Pryce and seconded by Cllr Peel. The Clerk will ask the tree surgeon to carry out the work as soon as possible.

d. Consider an event for the coronation of King Charles III

No interest from Cllrs to sponsor an event for the coronation.

13/0323: UPDATE ON THE PC WEBSITE FROM THE SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM

The new website has been launched and is live. The Clerk will display a note on our notice boards encouraging residents to look at the new site.

14/0323: CONSIDER A NEW CONSTITUTION FOR THE JOINT BURIAL COMMITTEE

The Terms of Reference have been submitted to TPC, we await their response.

15/0323: CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

None

16/0323: INFORMATION TO BE FORWARDED TO THE NEXT MEETING

None

17/0223: DATE OF THE NEXT MEETINGS

The next meeting will be at 7.30pm Wednesday 12th April 2023

Signed as a true record: -

Chair: D. Simpson