

RUMBURGH PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting 6 June 2018

Start 7.30pm

1. The chairman, Pieter van Dijk, welcomed councillors Charlotte Binder, Stephen Stannard, Roger Davis, Robert Myhill & Paul Spill. The clerk Boyd Coote was in attendance.

Apologies: None
2. Vice Chairman – Acceptance of Office. Councillor Spill signed the acceptance form.
3. Public Forum – One member of the public was in attendance. Expressed frustration at Council for lack of action over light pollution and planning matters. Council explained they have little power in these matters and have executed their role fully. Chairman closed public forum.
4. Declarations of interest- None
5. Minutes of previous meeting of 9 May 2018 were duly signed as a true record.
6. Report on matters arising- Suffolk Police have confirmed the Community Speed Watch forms and suggested sites are being processed. Councillor Stannard confirmed the new VAS bracket has been installed. Clerk confirmed that a response to the Local Plan draft has been sent to Waveney DC.
Concerns have been expressed over grass and weeds seeding on the allotment field due to it being uncut for the Bee Orchids to flower. Council discussed and agreed to cut ASAP. Clerk to arrange.
7. Finances – balances as follows – C/Acct: £4015.89; BP/Acct: £2301.29. Cheques approved as follows: 100503 Clerk's salary underpayment £6.09. Other financial business- none
8. Notice Board Replacement Aldous Corner – Council discussed various options and agreed on the Province Tamperproof board @ £187 + vat and 20 Magnets @ £6 per ten + vat. Clerk to obtain. Council will then arrange acquisition of posts and installation.
9. Stile Repair – Councillor Myhill will organise this.
10. Tree Policy – Council discussed the necessity of a policy and unanimously decided against this. Council is only responsible for trees on land owned or controlled by council.
11. Light Pollution – Clerk has looked into this and light pollution can be dealt with under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 only if it causes a Statutory Nuisance. Council discussed and agreed that although Rumburgh appears on the CPRE map as area with increased light pollution this is not a Statutory Nuisance, so no action can be taken.
12. GDPR – Clerk reported that policies are now on the website and Councillors have received their copies by email.

13. Planning – None

Clerk advised council that Waveney DC planning portal shows DC/18/1480/CLE Application for the grant of a Certificate of Lawful Existing Use as rejected.

14. Correspondence-


Peter Aldous MP re rural internet speeds. Councillors will run download speed tests and advise clerk. Clerk will forward results to Peter Aldous. Kimber Court Hedge – Council discussed and agreed the only course of action had already been taken as this has been reported to Suffolk Highways by complainant.

15. Any matters to be brought to the next meeting- suggestion of a letter of thanks to person who cuts hedge and grass on the Pleasure Ground. Council decide to deal with at this meeting, discussed and unanimously agreed to send a letter of thanks. Councillor Spill to supply clerk with details.

16. Date & Time of next meeting: 4 July 2018 @ 7.30pm

The meeting closed 20.19

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