

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council held in the Ramsey Methodist Chapel,
The Street, Ramsey on Thursday 15th July 2010 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Cllrs Brown (Part), L Donn, M Donn (Chair), Passmore, Prior, Sheers, Smith
Member of the Press

1. **To accept apologies for absence:** Cllrs Barrenger, Elmer

2. **To receive a report from Essex Police: information only:**

A report received showing total crimes recorded, Ramsey 7, Parkeston 2, for June was discussed; the slight increase was recognised as being seasonal together with the World Cup running through the month.

Cpt Fryatt PH: a concern was raised over the suspected robbery of fence panels, gates and patio slabs from the site, details to be requested from the police.

Action: Clerk

3. **Members Declaration of Interest in items on the agenda: Members joining the meeting part way through should wait for the next agenda item before joining any discussion/debate and declare any interest on any of the remaining agenda items.** Cllr Brown, as member of TDC Planning declared an interest on any planning matters to be discussed.

4. **To receive a report on the Community Pay Back Scheme:** Cllr M Donn reported on recent work:

- Work has been started within Welfare Park clearing vegetation
- Strimming the back alleyways in Parkeston village; in coinciding with the recent village clean up; positive feedback has been received encouraging pride in residents keeping the village clear of rubbish
- Ramsey Church Hill project; to cut vegetation back on both sides of the highway. Confirmation of procedures required to be in place is being sought from ECC Highways.

Further proposed projects include:

- Ramsey Essex Way overgrown vegetation
- Ramsey playing field and ditches
- Parkeston Methodist Church grounds and sign painted, outside wall rendering (permission has been gained from the Methodist Church to carry out the work)
- Ramsey chapel painting and clear grounds

To be able to continue with projects in both wards Cllr M Donn proposed funding each project to a maximum of £100 to come from RPPC as a donation, seconded by Cllr Passmore with all in favour.

To assist a request is to be made to open an account with Homecraft for materials to be easily obtained.

Action: Clerk

Cllr M Donn has been authorised as a chaperone on a one to one basis 6 hrs/wk that will allow additional work to be carried out. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Cllr M Donn.

5. **To hear questions from members of the public: 15 minutes allowed.** None

6. **To confirm the minutes of the Assembly and Annual meetings held on 17th June 2010**

With the amendment of Cllr Elmer being recorded twice in attendance, Cllr Brown proposed and Cllr Smiths seconded a motion that the minutes to be signed as a true record with the motion carried. The Chairman then signed the minutes as a true record.

7. **To receive any announcement by the Chairman**

A letter of resignation has been received from Rhonda Gee (Parkeston Ward), TDC to be informed to advertise the vacancy.

Action: Clerk

8. **To hear a report on actions taken by the clerk and members as agreed at the last meeting:**

Item 6: Seetec: Cllr M Donn reported that the proposed scheme aimed at long term unemployed attending a course in the public domain has still to be confirmed, funding issues.

Item 15: Mayes Lane Cul de Sac street light No: 9026: Cllr Ramsay reported that he had carried out a survey of residents leading to a request for the light to be replaced additionally to those in the 3 year replacement programme completed in the budget: Cllr Passmore proposed an order to be raised, seconded by Cllr Ramsay.

Action: Clerk

Item 17: ECC – Hi Speed Broadband Parish Need Survey; The Clerk reported that a request for a survey to establish the quality of broadband in both wards has been submitted on line, details to follow.

9. **To consider any Planning issues:** Cllrs Brown and Cllr Sheers declared an interest on the following applications:

Application No: 10/00713/FUL

Proposal: To keep stall in position at front of forecourt without moving it adjacent to butchers when not in use and alterations vehicular access

Location: The Fish Stall F Page Butchers 5 Main Road Ramsey

RPPC view: No objection proposed Cllr Brown, seconded by Cllr Prior

Application No: 10/00670/FUL

Proposal: Single storey rear extension and raised deck area

Location: Brook House The Street Ramsey

RPPC view: no objection; proposed Ramsay, seconded by Cllr L Donn

10. To receive a report regarding the Parkeston Cemetery: Cllr M Donn reported:

- To secure the boundary adjacent to the new development, following a site visit a quotation has been received from a company in Wix, C&D Fencing for approx 66mtrs of fencing of designs in keeping with the cemetery. Cost of preferred design totalled £2745 & VAT to supply and fit. An additional £350 has been quoted to remove the vegetation as an additional option.

Another company has been invited to submit a similar quote.

Cllr Brown stated that under the TDC small schemes allowance a maximum amount of £2000 would be available for match funding. It was agreed for Cllr M Donn to continue in the arrangements to install fencing and to make a full report at the next meeting with details of the cemetery income to establish match funding can be found.

Action: Cllr M Donn/Clerk

11. To receive a report regarding the Ramsey War Memorial Hall/Playing Field: Cllr Passmore reported:

- RWMH – the proposal of installing a bar area is being considered by the committee
- Playing field; engineers report is in hand to support the planning application for the new hall
- The field is being kept in good condition by the contractor, Landscape Services
- Ramsey Creek; a request to tackle the problem of overgrown vegetation using the Community Pay Back Scheme was made; current work to address the problem is believed to be covered by a bi-annual programme by Environment Agency.
- The potential option to rent additional land to enable an extension for parking is being investigated.

Action: Cllr M Donn

- Play area needs rubber matting for safety; options being sourced.

Action: Cllr Brown/Passmore

- Rospa report revealed the need for matting and the slide noted as low risk:
- Fundraising: Mexican Theme Family Night, Saturday 7th August, Entrance Free.

12. To receive a report regarding the Welfare Park: Cllr Prior reported:

- 8 tenders received for Muga; Now awaiting approval from funders
- Colchester based company are preparing a quotation for play equipment for the toddlers area
- Application for Awards for All has proved unsuccessful
- Rospa report received; some equipment removed; no major concerns raised
- Insurance renewal invoice received at £513; paid from Welfare Park account

13. To receive a report from the Transport Representatives

- **Street Light Mayes Lane Cul de Sac:** covered under item 8 in these minutes.
- i. Cllr Ramsay reported that the problem of overgrown vegetation from the entrance to Harwich and Dovercourt Golf Club, along station road to Una Road has been addressed with Sean Rolfe ECC Highways who has included the area on a schedule for clearance.
- ii. Cllr Passmore reported that the problems with cars for sale on roundabout has been reported to Essex Police; considerate parking tickets have been issued resulting in the vehicles being removed from the area.
- iii. Damage to cherry tree by a private sign being stapled onto the tree has been reported to TDC planning who are taking appropriate action.

14. To receive reports from Councillors attending other meetings:

Cllr Prior: Crime prevention Panel: in threat of dissolving group through lack of attendance

Cllr Passmore: Two village school phase 4; memorial trees identified at front of building, type to be confirmed; a site visit to identify the position and to tag the trees to guarantee their preservation is to be arranged.

A request for the Almond tree to also be preserved has been received; the possibility of a Tree Preservation Order to be placed is to be investigated.

A request from the Two village school to have the sandstone signs boys/girls donated to school has been received and will be forwarded to the potential developers of the site.

Action: Cllr Passmore

15. To receive any correspondence for action/information not covered elsewhere:

- **HTC – Whinney Wood Ramsey;** identity of ownership being sourced; the problems reported have resulted in the RPPC re-instating a representative to work with the Two Village School; Cllr Smith volunteered to take the role as he is currently a Parent Governor at the School; school to be consulted.

Action: Clerk

16.To agree the accounts for payment:

Clerks Salary	£708.79	K Abraham (Internal Auditor)	£170.00
Landscape Services	£904.75	TDALC	£15.00
Accent Stationers	£108.99	A & J Lighting	£104.09
Autoprint	£15.00	E-On	£79.31

17.Councillors report and items for future agendas: each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report on minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making unless otherwise agreed by the Chairman.

- **A120 speed control towards Ramsey Roundabout/cycle route (Cllr sheers)**

18.To confirm that the next meeting of Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council will be held on Thursday, 19th August 2019 in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road, Parkeston at 7.30 p.m.