

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council held in the Ramsey Methodist Chapel,
The Street, Ramsey on Thursday 22nd April 2010 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: Cllrs: E Barrenger, J Brown, L Donn, M Donn, G Elmer, G Lee, R Passmore, N Prior, D Smith

1. **To accept apologies for absence:** All Councillors Present
2. **To receive a presentation from Mr C Spraggons – Powerboat Race**

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Barbara and Mr Chris Spraggons, Ensign Craft to the meeting.
Mr Spraggons ran a short presentation in relation to the proposed Powerboat Championships races to be held in Dovercourt Bay between 30th July and 1st August.
Explaining that preparations and planning had been in place for the last 18 months Mr Spraggons was confident that all areas of concern relating to traffic control, additional transport, safety and security were covered with measures in place from expert external bodies being employed.
The main concern of the RPPC is the likely impact on Parkeston Village with all parking for the event being placed at the Mayflower School and mainly at the Harwich International Port with a park and ride scheme in place. A request for a steward to be in place at top of Station Road/Parkeston Roundabout was accepted and confirmation of the route to the port would be directed via the A120 to Dock Road.
The concert being held on the Friday has 10,000 tickets on sale to be held in an area with the capacity to hold 15,000.
The initial plan to hold a parade through Dovercourt High Street has been cancelled due to the high security risk involved with the Royal Marine Band expected to be present.
Both the RNLI and Essex Air Ambulance are to benefit from the event.
The Chairman thanked Mr and Mrs Spraggons for their time and in answering all questions and wished the event every success from all members present.
3. **To hear a report from Essex Police:** information only
The monthly report received was tabled with no concerns raised.
4. **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 a member of the TDC Planning Committee declared an interest on item 9.
5. **To hear questions from members of the public:** 15 minutes allowed: None Present
6. **To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 18th March 2010**
Cllr M Donn proposed and Cllr L Donn 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**
 - Community Awards – date of presentations

With all in favour, the Community Awards presentation is to be an annual event and to be incorporated in the Annual Assembly.
Nominations would be invited to be sent in January onwards and it is to be highlighted that those considered would be from volunteers whose work benefitted the wards of Ramsey and Parkeston only.
Nominations considered:
Mr Peter Gooding, Dovercourt was declined
Mrs Wendy Cole, Ramsey was accepted
Ms Stella Rowe, Ramsey was accepted
Ms Allison Bentley, Ramsey was accepted
Mrs Mary Ann Bishop, Ramsey was accepted
Mr John Bishop, Ramsey was accepted
Mr Doug Hutchins, Ramsey was accepted
Mrs Sue Wright, Parkeston was accepted
Mrs Michelle Goodwin, Parkeston was accepted
8. **To hear a report on actions taken by the clerk and members as agreed at the last meeting**
Item 16 i. Ramsey School – information still to be sourced for discussion
9. **To consider any Planning issues:**
 - i. **Application No:** 10/00296/FUL
Proposal: Erection of rear conservatory
Location: 29 Hewitt Road Ramsey
The view of the RPPC is no objection
 - ii. **Gypsy/Traveller Sites-** TDC Consultation (document enclosed)
The view of the Ramsey & Parkeston Council is that in considering the needs of a gypsy/traveller site and that the wards of Ramsey & Parkeston mainly fall within the flood risk area, the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council are unable to identify any suitable sites within Ramsey or Parkeston.

Exclusion of the public: In accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, to exclude the public, including the press, from the meeting so that any items containing exempt and confidential information (for example confidential personal or tender issues) can be considered by the council.

- iii. **Application No:** 10/00324/FUL
Proposal: Single storey rear extension and raised deck area
Location: Brook House The Street Ramsey
 The view of the RPPC is no objection
- iv. **121 Garland Road, Parkeston:** 10/00123/UNTDY3
 Cllr Brown reported on an update received from TDC where the owner has been requested to remove rubbish from the site, secure all doors and windows and that the overgrowth on the land adjacent to the bungalow is cut back.
- v. **Shell Garage, Station Road, Parkeston:** 10/00146/UNTDY3
 Cllr Brown reported on an update from TDC where the Environmental Services requested the site to be cleared by the owner, this has since been done.
- vi. **Parkeston House:** Flytipping on Station Road, Parkeston boundary has been reported and is in the hands of TDC/ECC Highways.

10. To receive a report regarding the Parkeston Cemetery: Cllr Elmer

- Flytipping : draft letter to residents has been approved and will be delivered by hand.
Action: Cllrs M Donn/Brown
- It is believed that a 2m high fence should be in place under a condition of the new residential development boundary. TDC have been approached for confirmation.
- Cemetery Lodge; all maintenance items have been addressed at a total cost of £485
- A date to visit the Cemetery Lodge for an inspection is to be arranged between Cllr M Donn/Elmer. P Barranger is to be asked to attend for professional guidance on the building.
- Ridges on the road through the cemetery are to be addressed with advice from a source with expertise in this area.

Action: Cllr M Donn

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

- AGM to be held on Wednesday 28th April, all welcome
- May 6th Election station being held in the hall
- Cllr E Barranger asked for confirmation, that was given, that should she be elected Chairperson at the AGM it would not conflict with her position as RPPC representative as Custodian Trustees and could carry out the dual role.

12. To receive a report regarding the Welfare Park

- Records have been found stating that the area must remain as a play area
- £44k has been secured from TDC for the installation of a MUGA
- The request for RPPC to become Custodian Trustees of the park is to be made in writing from the committee
- Rospa inspection has been notified to be taking place during May
- A clear up day is being organised late May to dispose of some of the equipment

13. To receive a report from the Transport Representatives

- Ramsey Street Lights replacement programme
 The 9 replacement lights in this year's budget is currently in place
- Cllr M Donn reported that the bust stop at the top of Clayton Road is still to be sorted under an insurance claim
- Ramsey bus stop is still in hand
- Cllr M Donn is to continue in trying to have the Bus Service No. 3 to be rerouted via the Fryatt Hospital

14. To receive reports from councillors attending other meetings

HIP Liaison Meeting: Cllr M Donn reported that through boundary maps HIP have acknowledge ownership of the banks along Station Road that will be included in a maintenance programme. A proposal for the football pitch at the end of Foster Road to be used for leisure use will be considered by HIP (Daren Taylor)
RCCE: Cllr M Donn reported on a meeting to discuss an affordable housing survey to help sustain the community and is prepared to ask for a presentation to be made to RPPC

Action: Cllr M Donn

15. To receive any correspondence for action not covered elsewhere: None

16. To receive a list of correspondence received for information only: None

17. To confirm donation payments from end of year 2009/10

Requests received:

- Manningtree Rail Users Association- declined
- Harwich and District Community First Responders – £500 proposed by Cllr L Donn, seconded by Cllr R Passmore with all in favour
- Welfare Park - £1,000 proposed by Cllr L Barrenger, seconded by Cllr M Donn with all in favour
- Parkeston Methodist Church - £650 proposed by Cllr L Barrenger, seconded by Cllr M Donn with all in favour
- Ramsey Methodist Church - £650 proposed by Cllr L Barrenger, seconded by Cllr M Donn with all in favour

18. To agree the accounts for payment and receive a finance report year ending March 2010

The accounts yr ending 2009 were signed as a true record.

A report yr ending 2010 was tabled showing an overall underspend on budget of 2%.

Clerks Office Rent	£450.00	PSB (Cemetery Lodge Maintenance)	£485.00
Clerks Salary	£894.69	E-On Electricity	£79.31
Accent Stationers	£42.84	Landscape Services	£662.70
EALC (Subscription)	£410.19		

19. 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.**

20. To confirm that the **Annual Assembly of Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council** will be held on **Thursday, 6th May 2010 at 6.45p.m**, followed by the **Annual Council Meeting at 7.30 p.m.** in the **Ramsey Methodist Chapel, The Street, Ramsey.**

Post Meeting Note:

Due to the elections being held on Thursday 6th May agreement was made to move the next meeting to Ramsey War Memorial Hall, on Wednesday 12th May 2010 at 6.45 p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2210 hrs