



Minutes of a Meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council held in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road, Parkeston on Thursday 18th August 2011 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllrs L Donn, M Donn (Chair), Sheers, Singh, Smith, Stertz (Part)
PCSO Chris Lloyd

1. **To accept apologies for absence:** Cllrs Elmer, Colbourne, Prior, Ramsay
Approval of absences proposed by Cllr Sheers and seconded by Cllr

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

Monthly statistics for July 2011 proving similar to those at the same period last year were tabled and discussed with the following issues raised:

- Petrochem Carless Security; PCSO Lloyd confirmed that the gates are manned 24/7 with new fencing with a ditch on the parameter of the site to be erected with planning permission gained.
- PSCO Lloyd agreed to a request for assistance in obtaining traffic accidents statistics with the aim to reduce the speed along Wrabness Road entering the Ramsey Village; to be copied to Cllr Ramsay.

Action: PCSO Lloyd

- Horse Trough Theft: no further news on the offender being bailed to Chelmsford Crown Court, still awaiting hearing date.

PCSO Lloyd reported that recently motor offences have been concentrated on with all types of offences being addressed with success.

The Chairman thanked PCSO Lloyd for his report and the additional information that is now included on the reports received monthly. PCSO Lloyd excused himself from the rest of the meeting.

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.

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

5. **To confirm the minutes of the RPPC meeting held on 21st July 2011**

Cllr Smith 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.

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

- a) Christmas Dinner – November 25th at the Tower Hotel; deposit required by Cllr L Donn asap
- b) Reminder of the importance of attending the Budget Meeting scheduled 3rd November with proposed project forms to be submitted at the meeting of RPPC on 20th October 2011 latest to be included for discussion at the Budget Meeting.

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

None not covered elsewhere

8. **To consider any Planning issues received to the meeting date:**

I. **Application No: 11/00896/FUL**

Proposal: Demolition of existing building and construction of new care home, for the care of elderly residents and those suffering from dementia, consisting of 45 en-suite bedrooms and communal share facilities, garden and parking.

Location: Ramsey County Primary School, Wix Road, Ramsey

Cllr Sheers summarised the planning application and confirmed that the plans submitted were the same as those discussed at the presentation delivered by the agents at the public planning meeting held at the Ramsey War Memorial Hall held on 23rd September 2010.

Cllr M Donn explained the re-submission of the application was due to request of an in-depth habitat survey being carried out at the site. This being done has raised no reason for concern of the site. Cllr M Donn also confirmed that no S106 money is attached to this type of planning application.

The view of the RPPC to be submitted in support of the proposed development, proposed by Cllr Sheers, seconded by Cllr L Donn with all in favour:



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The view of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council remains the same as that submitted to Tendring District Council following a public meeting held on 23rd September 2010 in relation to the original application received: Application No: 10/00840/FUL:

In relation to the adopted Local Plan 2007-2011:

Policy QL7: Rural Regeneration – the policy sets scope for further housing, employment and community facilities to meet local needs.

The RPPC foresees the proposed development bringing employment and potential trade to the local small businesses that would encourage interaction with the community and offers public facilities not currently available.

Policy COM5: Residential Institutional Uses B- following the reduction of size from 63 no. Bedroom (Planning Application No: 08/00659/OUT) and the comments drawn from the consultation with those attending a public meeting held on 17th June 2008 it is now the view of the RPPC:

With the TDC Register of Electors, October 2009, showing 1125 registered in Ramsey and the current local facilities being Michaelstowe Hall (96 places), Water View Home (15 places) and Don Thompson House (28 places) an additional 45 places proposed in our opinion would not represent an over provision of this type of care for the area.

Policy QL9: Design of New Development – the view of the RPPC is that the design and scale of the site has shown consideration to fit in with the style of the village of Ramsey and the surrounding countryside.

Policy EN1: Landscape Character – the view of the RPPC is that the material and design chosen are in keeping with the local character and rural setting, with the guarantee of no TPO trees to be removed as registered under the Tendring District Council Tree Preservation Order No: 06/00005 Section: 21, Sear Registry Number 14609.

Policy EN6: Biodiversity – the RPPC requests a condition to be set should approval be given that there will be a guarantee for the trees and shrubs to be protected during construction and retained for their ecological value; additional the sentimental value of the Maple tree, planted as a memorial to the children and a teacher who were killed in 1978 whilst returning from a school trip. This Maple stands inside the front left hand wall when facing the school building from The Street.

The RPPC would ask for a condition to be included to erect signage to direct traffic to the site at Wash Corner to prevent additional traffic through the village. A recommendation of a 20mph zone from Wash Corner, through The Street to the junction at Main Road/Wrabness Road to be considered with countdown markers to be put in place approaching Wash Corner from the A120 and to include the widening of said turn off.

Following the re-submission of the application, additionally the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council ask for clear signage to be erected to highlight of:

- a) Location of playfield
- b) Use of highways by horses



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II. Proposed Development: Brickfield Site Public Exhibition

The exhibition held by the agents for the proposed development was held in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall – 18th August 2011 3pm to 7pm. It has been reported to be well attended by approximately 50 members of the public.

The RPPC will hold a public meeting on receipt of any planning application for this site being received from TDC.

III. Application No: 11/00653/OUT – Amended Plans For Information Only

121 Garland Road, Parkeston

Demolition of bungalow and erection of 5 houses and 1 flat (originally 4 houses and 4 flats)

Agents submitted amended plan following TDC concerns of the scale and design of the above scheme; now excludes the ground floor flats with the rear single storey wing being deleted. The scheme has been discussed and agreement reached in principle with the Environment Agency.

Decisions:

I. Appeal Ref: APP/P1560/A/09/2104770

Parkeston House, Adelaide Street

Appeal Decision: planning application 08/01485/FUL dated 15 October 2008 granted, subject to certain conditions.

S106 money from this development, totalling £16900 has been confirmed as being paid to TDC; a formal request drafted for the total amount to be made available to the Welfare Park, Parkeston proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Stertz with all in favour was signed in preparation of submission to TDC.

Action: Clerk

II. Application Ref: 11/00514/FUL

F Page Butchers, 5 Main Road, Ramsey

Stationing of mobile fish stall at front of forecourt

Decision: Approval Full

III. Application Ref: 11/00550/FUL

Petrochem Carless, Foster Road, Parkeston

Installation of new oil pipeline from Petrochem Carless to HIP via maximum 10.2 metre high overhead pipe bridge linking to existing car bridge

Decision: Approval Full

9. To receive a report regarding the Parkeston Cemetery: Cllr Elmer/Cllr M Donn

Cllr Singh reported on the site visit held, Cllrs Colbourne, M Donn, Elmer, Smith and Stertz also attended;

- Recommendation of additional fencing to follow on with the previous contractor; a site visit with the contractor is in hand for a quotation.

The Clerk presented an update of the Cemetery accounts and projects an end of year balance of circa £5,000. Additionally the opportunity to bid for TDC small scheme support towards the cost is to be investigated with Cllr Colbourne.

Cllr Sheers proposed that the fencing should be put in place within this budget year, seconded by Cllr L Donn with all in favour.

Action: Cllr M Donn/Singh

- Fencing to secure boundary with the Hangings: best type and cost to be sourced.

Action: Cllr M Donn/Singh

- Electronic Cemetery Records: the open part of the cemetery is recorded electronically allowing copies to be printed and searches to be simply made. Cllr Singh proposed, seconded by Cllr Sheers to proceed with the closed part of the cemetery to be made an electronic copy; cost £450 plus data input cost not exceeding £100.00. Once completed the old ledgers will be placed with the Essex Archives service for safe keeping.

Action: Clerk



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- Chapel maintenance deemed necessary to be identified and costs sought for consideration.

Action: Cllr Elmer/M Donn/Singh

10. To receive a report regarding the Ramsey War Memorial Hall/Playing Field:

Cllr Smith reported:

- Application for funding new windows to the hall at an approximate cost of £2,000.00 is in process with Essex Community Foundation; a request for a letter to support application from RPPC was accepted; proposed by Cllr Stertz and seconded by Cllr Sheers with all in favour.

Action: Clerk

Cllr L Donn reported:

- Bookings remain steady
- Fete being held this Sunday, 21st August at 1100hrs all welcome
- Decorating of the interior walls is in hand
- Recent physio evening held was very successful
- The playing field continues to generate it's own regular income from football; all proceeds are kept in a separate account to assist in the funding of the proposed new changing facilities.

11. To receive a report regarding the Welfare Park:

Cllr Stertz reported:

- In the event of additional S106 money from Parkeston House becoming available, additional equipment is being considered. Current start date for installation of equipment already funded is 12/09.

12. To receive a report on the Community Pay Back Scheme: Cllr M Donn

Cllr M Donn reported:

- Cutbacks with shortage of local offenders has stopped the scheme temporarily. moment
- Team due to start in the Welfare Park 08/09

13. To receive a report from the Transport Representatives

Ramsey:

- Mayes Lane/Church Hill vegetation: issue raised by Lt Oakley PC has been addressed. The feasibility of adopting the area for regular cutting will be given consideration at the next Budget meeting with implications and costs to be confirmed with Essex County Highways.

Action: Cllr Ramsay

- Road signs / fingerposts illegible through dirt and overgrowth: direction was given to make all reports via the Highway Ranger Service now in place by visiting: engineeringervices@tendringdc.gov.uk or by telephoning Joanne Crooks on 01255 686942 (full details for reference are copied with these minutes).

- The Triangle: Cllr Sheers reported any proposals are to be discussed with residents at the public meeting to be held on Tuesday 23rd September at the RWMH

Parkeston:

- Overgrown vegetation at the junction of Una Road/Station road was discussed; a request for the re-siting of a bin has been received. Ownership and maintenance responsibilities are to be identified.

Action: Cllr Stertz/Cllr Elmer

- Repeated overgrown vegetation along Station Road pavement was agreed to be re-addressed with Darren Taylor, Harwich International Port.

Action: Cllr Smith



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- Salt Bins: ongoing with Cllr Skeels

14. To receive reports from Councillors attending other meetings

Cllr M Donn reported on the interesting visit to the Fred Olsen Cruise vessel *Balmoral* also in attendance was the Clerk, TDC, Harwich TC and other external bodies.

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

- Neighbourhood Networking Meeting – 9th December 2011 with the TDC Portfolio Holder for Planning agreeing to attend, details to be circulated to neighbouring councils with the aim to hold the meeting in another parish. RPPC to attend with 2 representatives.

Action: Clerk

16. 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.

17. To agree accounts for payment

S Chisnall (Cemetery e-records data input)	£50.00	L Keating Clerk's Salary	£715.75
Namesco (Web/email annual hosting)	£131.98	Landscape Services	£645.60 & £573.60
E-on Supply	£79.31	Accent Stationers	£42.11
A&J Lighting	£50.74	Veolia Water	£373.07
SLCC Annual Subs	£135.00	Acumen Wage Sers	£21.00

- Forms approved by the Chairman were distributed to all present for completion for any proposed projects to be considered in the new Budget Year with a reminder of the deadline of the RPPC October meeting to receive any such proposals.
- Budget Meeting Thursday 3rd November: all Councillors were reminded of the importance to attend this meeting.

18. To confirm that the next meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council will be held on Thursday 15th September 2011 in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road at 7.30 p.m.

Cllr Sheers asked for her apologies to be recorded for the next meeting as she will be away. Cllr Singh will be attending, work permitting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10 p.m.