



Minutes of a Meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council held in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road, Parkeston on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

**Present:** Cllrs M Donn (Chair), Singh, Smith, Stertz

**Also Present:** EC Cllr Skeels, PCSO Ray Aylott

1. **To accept apologies for absence:** Cllrs Colbourne, L Donn, Elmer, Prior, Sheers
2. **To receive a report from Essex Police: information only**  
September stats were tabled and discussed. The current proposed changes of shift patterns has not yet been confirmed although it is thought that there should be no impact on the PCSOs numbers covering the RPPC wards.  
Horse Trough theft: with not enough evidence the charges against the suspect have been dropped; no financial compensation expected for the loss.
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 15<sup>th</sup> September 2011**  
Cllr Stertz proposed and Cllr Smith 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**  
Cllr M Donn reported that Cllr G Elmer remains in hospital and is recovering well.  
Christmas Meal: Towers Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 7.00 p.m.
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:**
  - a) To receive a report on the RPPC Planning meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2011 re Planning Application No: 11/01043/FUL, New Barn Wix Road, Ramsey:

The view of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council is to strongly object to both change of use and retrospective planning in referring to the Local Plan as Adopted 2007:  
Policy ER7 – Business, Industrial and Warehouse Proposals

The nature of the proposal is not in any way appropriate to the locality of the quiet village environment that is enjoyed by the residents of Ramsey Village.

In addition notification has been received that Full Approval has been granted for the neighbouring location:

Application No: 11/00896/FUL

Location: Ramsey County Primary School, Wix Road, Ramsey, CO15 5HP

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 shared facilities, garden and parking.

- Impact of noise, smell and dirt/oil pollution has not been addressed especially bearing in mind the neighbouring horse paddock and new care home soon to be constructed.
- Unsatisfactory vehicular access due to the fact that the access is shared by horse riders leading to a paddock on the boundary of the site.
- The existing premises are not suitable for the purpose of change of use from agricultural to mechanical repairs and should be kept for its original use as a barn.
- Policy QL11 – Environmental Impact and Compatibility of Uses
- (iv) the proposed change of use will bring in additional traffic on a road with limited pedestrian paths; the location of site is near to the entrance of a playing field therefore a potential safety to its users. Noise of motorcycles is known to be frightening to horses and additionally a disturbance to the neighbouring residents.



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Policy QL4 and Policy HAR3a – Supply of Land for Employment/Small Businesses in the Harwich Area

- With both policies in place there is ample alternative sites in the locality for the proposed business.

b) Application No: 11/01159/FUL

Location: Primrose Lodge, Primrose Lane, Ramsey

Proposal: Two storey extension to side, convert existing garage to utility and study.

The view of the RPPC is No Objection, proposed by Cllr Prior, seconded by Cllr Ramsay with all in favour.

c) Application No: 11/01224/FUL

Location: 11 Wix Road, Ramsey

Proposal: Two storey side extension

The view of the RPPC is No Objection, proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Ramsay with all in favour.

Decisions Received:

d) Application No: 11/00672/FUL

Location: 29 Burr Close Ramsey

Proposal: Convert loft into habitable space including dormer windows and raise roof and eaves above existing double garage to provide additional habitable space.

Decision: Approval Full – Determined

e) Application No: 11/00896/FUL

Location: Ramsey County Primary School, Wix Road, Ramsey

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 shared facilities, garden and parking.

Decision: Approval Full – Determined.

f) Public Consultation of Housing Development in Tendring; details of the next 20 year plan were tabled and discussed; response forms distributed to be placed in public areas locally.

**9. To receive a report regarding the Parkeston Cemetery**

Cllr Singh delivered a presentation on work carried out and further maintenance identified:

- Broken fencing on Hangings boundary – a temporary infill of brambles has been put in place with the intention to replace with permanent foliage.
- Concerns of ivy on trees to be investigated
- New fencing problems on Lidl's boundary now firmly in place by contractor at no extra cost.
- Potential project of reinstating pathways/roadway to be considered
- Chapel in need of some repair
- Brochure to advertise cemetery being considered to include memorial benches

All proposed projects being considered are dependent on funds available from the income received for the cemetery.

**10. To receive a report regarding the Welfare Park**

Cllr Prior reported:

- Groundworks completed working party/pay back team
- Equipment now being installed; safety fencing in place looking to complete this week safety mats to be completed
- Pathways being dug out by contractors at a cost of £200
- Football pitch in process of being re seeded
- Launch party booked 3<sup>rd</sup> December supported by newsletter and press release

Congratulations to all involved.



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**11. To receive a report on the Community Pay Back Scheme**

Currently working in Welfare Park, the complain received from the Parkeston Methodist Church regarding items in the hall having been reported as interfered with have been addressed with no further action necessary.

**12. To receive a report from the Transport Representatives:**

a) Ramsey:

Cllr Ramsay reported:

- Wrabness road accident has been classed as not serious, suspected speeding to be the cause.
- Bus shelter at the top of Church Hill has been vandalised
- Cllrs Ramsay and Smith are to attend the next meeting of the Passenger Transport Committee 01/11

b) Parkeston:

Cllr Smith Reported:

- HIP have cut the overgrown vegetation on Station Road – Port end
- Makins Road/top of Adelaide Street has been cut by handyman

c) No response has been received to date regarding the proposed adoption of grass cutting by RPPC for specific areas within RPPC wards.

d) Salt Bins: 3 bins now purchased to be placed in Edward Street/ Garland Road PH and Ramsey War Memorial Hall. 1 tonne of salt delivered from ECC today. Volunteers to manage distribution have been established.

e) Street Nameplates; Cllrs Ramsay and Singh are to carry out a survey of Ramsey for submission to the Highway Rangers.

**Action: Cllrs Ramsay/Singh**

**13. To receive reports from Councillors attending other meetings**

Cllr M Skeels; reported on a scheme being run by ECC for the free collection of hazardous waste by contacting: 0845 6037626

Cllr M Donn reported on his attendance at the TDALC 28/09:

The meeting was well attended with agenda items including the Local Plan and benefits of producing a Village Plan.

Concerns of data protection in relation to all Councillors is being addressed.

Applications to become ambassadors for the Olympics are available from local libraries.

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

- A letter of thanks from H&D Rugby Club for sponsorship of 2 players has been received.

**15. 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.**

a) Grass cutting Welfare Park; [Budget Meeting]

**16. To receive a finance report to end September – 6 months against budget.**

The clerk gave an overview of activities over the 6 month period with no issues raised.

**17. To discuss proposed projects submitted for inclusion in the new budget year.**

Proposed projects received are all to be included into the proposed budget for agreement at the Budget meeting 03/11.



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**To agree accounts for payment:** The Annual Return to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010 has been received from the Audit Commission as approved.

Landscape Sers	782.40 and 285.60	L Keating [Salary/hol pay]	1391.74
W G Elmer [Chairs Allowance]	250.00	E-On	79.31
A&J Lighting	101.48	Acumen Wages Sers	21.00
R Burnell [Small Projects]	120.00	RWMH [Grant]	500.00
H&D Rugby Club [Grant]	200.00		

18. To confirm that the Annual Budget meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011 at 7.00 p.m.
19. To confirm that the next meeting of the Ramsey & Parkeston Parish Council will be held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011 in the Parkeston Methodist Church Hall, Garland Road at 7.00 p.m. followed by:
  20. Thurs, 19<sup>th</sup> January 12
  21. Thurs, 15<sup>th</sup> March 12
  22. Thurs, 19<sup>th</sup> April 12

The Meeting closed 9.00 p.m.