

RAVENSTONE WITH SNIBSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 30TH JANUARY 2020

Present: Councillors; Sheila Lunn, George Norley, David Lunn, George Elliott, Tina Meredith, PC Mark Arjoo, 2 members of the public and the clerk were also present.

854/2020 – Resolution to receive apologies for absence

- N/A

855/2020 – Resolution to receive declarations of interest on items on the agenda

- N/A

856/2020 – To receive county council/borough council/parish councillors/police reports & traffic calming

- A copy of Cllr Eynon's report was circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.
- PC Arjoo provide a verbal police report for incidences logged between the 14th November 2019 and the 30th January at 4.00 PM.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

- A member of the public asked if we are seeing a trend in incidences following all the new developments. PC Arjoo commented that he is not aware of any trends.
- A member of the public asked who installed the dog foul bins on the Davidsons estate because one of them is at the height of 5ft 9 and is too high for most people to use. The clerk commented that she would raise this with Davidsons.
- A member of the public asked about the footpath and the drains and who would be responsible for those on the Davidsons estate. The clerk confirmed that once the land is handover these will be the responsibility of Highways.
- A member of the public asked about the swamp at the back of the school and whether the parish council are going to look at making the area safe. The Chair reported that its safety it not been raised as a concern before and it would have been installed to meet a building regulation at the time. The clerk suggested that we ask Highways to view the site and see whether it does need any safety measures installing.
- A member of the public commented on the volume of litter in the area. She commented that she has been a volunteer litter picker for the past four years and has never see so much litter. She commented that the amount of litter bins in the area is in adequate. The Chair reported that the parish council have reviewed the number of litter bins in the village and it was felt that with the new developments there were enough litter bins. The Chair also reported that there are regular litter picks in the village that she can be involved with. The member of the public asked whether we could encourage dog walkers and anyone else in the village to collect litter. It was agreed that an article on litter picking would be included in the next newsletter.

857/2020 – Resolution to approve and sign minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 14th November

The clerk circulated a copy of the minutes prior to the meeting and councillors agreed that they were a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Resolved: The minutes were signed by the Chair and will be added to the website.

858/2020 – Resolution to approve payments

The clerk presented the payments listed below for authorisation which were approved by all councillors.

BACS TO:	AMOUNT:
Play inspector salary	£142.30
Premises officer salary	£164.84
Clerks salary	£631.05
Ian Mellor, removal of benches	£30.00
HMRC, outstanding payments from 2014	£400.00
Waterplus	£25.47
Eon	£152.00
Coalville Cleaning, pavilion	£234.00
PKF, audit	£360.00
Helen Chadwick, reimbursement for tennis nets	£136.94
HMRC, PAYE & NI	£331.00
St Michael & All Angel's Church, electricity	£250.00
Helen Chadwick, expenses	£245.00
TOTAL	£3,102.60

859/2020 – To receive playground reports and agree actions

A copy of the playground reports were circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. Cllr D Lunn commented that he has contact details for an alternative playground supplier and will pass these onto the Cllr Allman. Councillors agreed that we if are to go ahead with the playground refurbishment that there should be a public consultation due to the high cost of the project. It was agreed that a consultation would take place with residents and that details of the proposed development would be put on the village noticeboards and for any comments to be forwarded to the clerk. Councillors agreed to review the responses from the consultation at the next meeting along with additional quotes.

Cllr Allman reported that he had been asked if we can have dog foul signs installed at the playgrounds. The clerk reported that we do have the NWLDC Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO), these make it an offence for any person to allow a dog in their charge to foul any area to which the public has access.

860/2020 – Update following VE day working party meeting

Cllr D Lunn circulated a copy of the minutes from the VE working party meeting and confirmed that the date of the next meeting will be the 5th March at 7.00 PM at the pavilion.

861/2020 – Update following site meeting with Davidsons

The clerk reported that Cllr S Lunn and the clerk had met with Davidsons and reviewed all of the areas that the parish council are due to manage. It was agreed that the actions discussed will be completed by the end of February (weather dependent). It was also noted that the allotments would be available from the end of March (weather dependent) and that all the handover paperwork will be completed by April.

The clerk reported that we will need to set up an allotment society and agree allotment rents, etc

862/2020 – Update on the works to the village green and agree actions

Cllr D Lunn circulated a draft plan for the village green which will allow certain areas to become wild flowers areas. A quote had been received for to start the process and it was agreed that at just over £3,000 it was too expensive. The clerk suggested that we look at the Plant Life website who can provide advice and guidance on starting a wildflower meadow. Cllr D Lunn agreed to research this and perhaps start off with a smaller area and see how it developments. The clerk suggested that the area in question could be roped off with a small plague to explain what is happening with the area.

863/2020 – Update on the newsletter and agree actions

A copy of the draft newsletter will be circulated to councillors following the meeting for agreement and will be ready for circulation in February.

864/2020 – To discuss the purchase of new benches and agree actions

Cllr D Lunn shared designs and costs for the replacement benches and reported that we should be looking at benches that are made from recycled materials. Councillors agreed that we should at grant funding options and discuss this again at a future meeting.

865/20202 – To discuss planning applications

The clerk circulated a copy of the planning applications prior to the meeting.

- I. No comment –
- II. No comment – ongoing concerns regarding the site and volume of traffic, school capacity, road safety, sewage and drainage.
- III. No comment –
- IV. No comment
- V. For information as TPO on the trees.

866/2020 – To discuss councillor co-option and agree actions

The Chair reported that she had been approached by a previously co-opted councillor who had had to withdraw from the parish council due to work commitments but was not in a position to come back on the parish council. Councillors discussed this and agreed to co-opt her back onto the parish council

Prior to the meeting councillors interviewed a candidate who wished to be co-opted onto the parish council. Cllr S Lunn proposed that we invite this individual to join the parish council, this was seconded by Cllr Norley and all councillors were in agreement.

867/2020 – To discuss street name request from NWLDC and agree actions

The clerk circulated details of the proposed street name which had been provided by NWLDC. Councillors discussed the options and agreed that because the site was previously used to for rope twisting and members of the original family still live in the village. Councillors proposed

Colvers Rope Walk or Lombardy Poplars because the site had previously been lined with poplar trees.

868/2020 – To discuss the Neighbourhood Plan and agree actions

The Chair reported that one of the articles in the next edition of the newsletter is about the NHP and what it entails. It was agreed that the parish council would need support from other community groups in the village in order to be able to start the NHP project. Councillors will review the feedback from the newsletter and then discuss the proposal to start the NHP process.

869/2020 – To discuss agenda items for the next meeting

- Approval of payments
- Planning applications
- VE Day
- Social media
- Neighbourhood plan
- Playground
- Skatepark
- Scouts visit
- Davidsons update
- Allotments
- Football club use of pavilion

853/2019 – Date of next meeting

The clerk confirmed that the date of the meeting of 27th February 2020 at 7.00 PM and gave her apologies for this meeting. It was agreed that a locum clerk would be sourced to take the minutes of the February meeting.

The Chair closed the meeting at 20:40 PM

AGREED AS A TRUE RECORD OF THE MEETING	
NAME:	
SIGNATURE:	
DATE:	