

Ryton and Grindle Parish Council

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ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held at St. Andrew's Church, Ryton, on Wednesday 10th May 2017 commencing at 8:40 pm, following closure of the Annual Parish meeting.

Present: Cllr Allan Amey (Chair); Cllr Ann Dukes; Cllr Mark Dady; Cllr Sarah Williams and Cllr John Webb.

In attendance: Stephen de Launey, Clerk to the Council.

01/17 Apologies

Received from Shropshire Cllr Michael Wood unable to attend due to prior commitment with another parish council.

02/17 Election of Officers

- a) Chair
Cllr Dady proposed Cllr Amey; seconded by Cllr Dukes. There being no further nominations, Cllr Amey was declared elected.
- b) Vice Chair
Cllr Dady proposed Cllr Dukes; Cllr Williams seconded. There being no further nominations, Cllr Dukes was declared elected.

03/17 Appointment of Internal Auditor

Cllr Amey proposed; Cllr Dukes seconded and it was RESOLVED to re-appoint Cedric Randall as Internal Auditor for 2017/18.

04/17 Declarations of Interest

None.

05/17 Results of May Elections

The Clerk reported that 5 nominations had been delivered to Shropshire Council and, there being no other nominations, Allan Amey, Ann Dukes, Mark Dady, Sarah Williams and John Webb had been declared elected. The Chair welcomed newly elected Cllr Webb to the council particularly as it now gave us a representative from Grindle.

06/17 To Approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 8th March 2017

It was proposed by Cllr Amey, seconded by Cllr Dady and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Council meeting held on 18th March 2017 be approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.

07/17 Matters arising from the minutes

- 33/16 The Clerk was asked to expedite the addition of Cllr Williams as a signatory to the bank account.
- 35/16 The Clerk reported that both Sutton Maddocks and Beckbury Parish Councils had agreed to contribute towards the costs of a highways consultant to represent our views at the forthcoming Grindle House Farm public inquiry. Cllr Dady had approached IPaD but they were only willing to offer their services on the basis of a further assessment for which they quoted a cost of £2,000 which was beyond the resources available.

08/17 Finance Report

The Clerk/RFO presented the finance report to 30th April, 2017.

Reported Balance at 28/02/17	1,201.31
Less previously unreported payments	20.00
Adjusted Balance at 28/02/17	1,181.31

Plus

Precept received 2017/18	2,200.00	
		<u>2,200.00</u>
		3,381.31

Less Payments

Clerk's Salary	118.98	
Clerk's Expenses	19.80	
HMRC PAYE	29.80	
Total		<u>168.58</u>

Balance at 30/04/17 **3,212.73**

It was proposed by Cllr Amey, seconded Cllr Dady and RESOLVED to accept the financial report.

09/17 Annual Accounts 2016/17

The Clerk/RFO presented details of the Annual Accounts for the parish council for the period 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017, which are attached to these minutes, and invited members to review/approve. After discussion Cllr Amey proposed, Cllr Dukes seconded and it was RESOLVED to approve the accounts.

10/17 Annual Return and Governance Statement 2016/17

The Clerk/RFO presented the Annual Return and Governance Statement and described the contents in detail. Included with the Governance Statement was a copy of the newly created Asset Register. Members noted that the Asset Register did not include the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Bench, which had been paid for by public subscription but had been passed to the parish council. The Clerk agreed to add the bench and advised that it would be given a nominal value of £1 and described as a 'public asset'. Cllr Amey proposed, Cllr Dukes seconded and it was RESOLVED that, with the addition of the QDJ bench in the asset register, the Annual Return and Governance Statement be approved.

11/16 Former Playing Fields, Ryton Road

The clerk reported that Planning Application 17/04772/FUL had been refused by Shropshire Council. Councillors noted the outcome but there was some concern that a static caravan and pigs had appeared on the site. The clerk was asked to seek clarification on what the site

owner was able to do without planning permission.

12/16 Environment and Highways Maintenance Grant

The Clerk reported that an Environment and Highways Maintenance Grant application for 2017/18 had been made for £1420 plus a request for a further £1000 to undertake improvements to public footpaths within the parish. Footpaths were not specifically included in the purposes for which grants can be claimed but we are assuming that it could be included in the 'other' expenditure category. Although expected last month as yet no awards have been made but the Clerk had been told that the total grant requests far exceeded the budget.

13/16 Correspondence

None that had not been covered under other agenda items or circulated to councillors.

14/16 Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting should be Wednesday 13th September 2017 but not all members could make this date and the Clerk was asked to investigate a date later in September. The meeting closed at 9:30 pm.

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