

**Minutes of the Meeting of Repton Parish Council held in the Repton Village Hall at 19:30 on
Tuesday 10th February 2020**

Present: Councillors Lloyd (Chairman), Sheldon, Rainey, Dickson, Steel, Thomas, Perks, McArdle, Brown and Griffiths.

Staff and public in attendance: District Councillor Churchill and two members of the public.

At the start of each meeting we are required to point out the fire exits and fire assembly point, in case of any alarms during the meeting.

1. Apologies

District Councillor Haines and County Councillor Ford.
Councillor Munnien was not in attendance, no apologies received.

2. Declaration of Interests

None.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting held on 13th January 2020

The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by Chairman Lloyd as a correct and true record.

Standing Orders lifted for Public Speaking and Planning

4. Public Speaking

- a. A member of the public asked if it was possible that the council could comment on all planning applications that they must comply with the NDP. It was discussed and **resolved that where the council wished to object against a planning application they would specifically reference the NDP in their objection.** District Councillor Churchill advised that if we informed him of any planning applications that the council objects to he can make sure that the relevant people at SDDC are aware.
- b. The same member of public wished to say that they thought the new planters on the triangle looked very good.
- c. The same member of public also asked if Repton Casuals now owned a mower should the Parish Council stop paying for the grass to be cut. And if so could the council put the money to better use. It was agreed that this would be discussed at the annual finance meeting and by the working party for the youth/playing facilities.

5. Planning Matters

Planning application DMPA/2019/1262 was discussed and **all councillors agreed to object to this application on the grounds that it did not conform to the NDP. Clerk to submit objection to SDDC by the close of play 11th February 2020 as agreed with SDDC planner, who expanded the deadline to allow this to be discussed at the meeting.**

Standing Orders Resumed

6. County, District and Parish Councillors' Reports

- a. District Councillor Churchill advised he had shared a link to the age uk website concerning a scam with the clerk, this has been sent on to all councillors and will be shared on the parish council website <https://www.ageuk.org.uk/information-advice/money-legal/scams-fraud/#>
- b. Severn Trent community fund is open to all to apply to. It is running for the next five years and will be awarding grants between £5,000 and £1 million. Email has been shared with all councillors. **Clerk to add to the next meeting agenda for discussion.**

- c. The district councillors had held their second surgery in Repton and had received a complaint from one resident about the state of the pavements and road around the Cameron homes development. As such they had arranged for enforcement officers from SDDC and DCC to attend site. They agreed with the residents' concerns and have shut down any further work until the developers comply with the planning permission and provide adequate safe pavements. Their next surgery is on the 7th March from 10am in the Maple Tree café, Repton Village Hall.
- d. Dog fouling complaints had been raised again and a link shared pointing to the SDDC website for people to use. This is to be published on the Parish Councils website also, www.southderbyshire.gov.uk/our-services/street-care/dog-control/dog-and-animal-fouling. Councillor McArdle advised that dog fouling bins had been removed from the Clayfields development and the remaining ones were overflowing. District Councillor Churchill advised that these bins were under the control of the management company SDL, and as such were not under the remit of the district or parish council. He did advise that SDDC are checking that planning conditions for the estate are being met.
- e. He now has access to digimapping for Severn Trent. He is happy to work with any councillors who would like to check this with him.
- f. Councillor McArdle advised that the chairman's chair had been removed off display in the village hall.
- g. Councillor McArdle expressed concern that County Councillor Ford had ignored her two emails requesting a site meeting on Burdett Way to discuss what she feels is a deplorable and dangerous footway used by elderly and infirm residents.
- h. Councillor Perks advised that the landline and mobile phone numbers had now been sorted for the office and were all working correctly.

7. Clerk's Report

- a. Digital Banking application has now been processed and authorised by Natwest. Clerk is currently waiting on her card reader and would then be able to use digital banking. Chair and Vice Chair should be receiving instructions in the post from Natwest for their access.
- b. Summer Holiday Provision has now been booked with SDDC on the following dates: Sports 18:00-20:00 Thursday 30th July and Thursday 20th August, Play 10:00-12:00 Tuesday 18th August, Adventure 14:00-16:00 Tuesday 25th August. **Clerk to ensure that the agenda for the June meeting asks for volunteers to open the site for these to go ahead.**
- c. Transforming Trent Valley email was discussed, the councillors were happy to attend any future meetings. **Clerk to reply to Newton Solney Parish Council and advise them of this.**
- d. Charity Commission Annual Return 2019 has now been completed and submitted for Milton Village Hall.
- e. Allotment agreement and the sign on the allotment gate contradict each other reference the admittance of dogs to site. It was discussed and **all agreed that the allotment agreement allowing only service dogs was correct and Councillor Rainey will remove the sign from the gate.**
- f. Request from a parishioner asking for the Den lights to be altered was discussed. **The council agreed that this was not in their remit but was controlled by JOGS. Clerk to inform the parishioner.**
- g. **All councillors agreed that there were no objections to the street naming and numbering applications. Clerk to inform SDDC.**
- h. The abandoned chairs at the site of the old public toilets reported to the Clerk were discussed. **The council agreed they were on private property and as such it was not in their remit. Clerk to inform the person who reported this issue to the council.**
- i. One grit bin has been refilled by DCC and the two others checked as still being full.
- j. Community Pancake Toss at Maple Tree Café on 25th February 2020. Councillor Perks is already scheduled to attend and will represent the council. **Clerk to advise the café.**

- k. Training schedule for this year has been received from DALC. Councillor Sheldon wished to attend the councillor essentials training course in March and the Clerk the end of year finance course on the 24th February. **All councillors agreed to this. Clerk to book courses with DALC.**

8. Chairman's Announcements

- a. South Derbyshire Local Green Spaces Plan Modifications Consultation, the document is not now consistent with the Repton NDP, which pre dates it. See page 37, Green Space 2. The land north of the public footpath which crosses the site east to west is accessible to public from the footpath as far as the private garden on the north side. **Action Clerk to send a note back to SDDC.**
- b. This year's Christmas Tree plans are now in discussion. The tree lighting event will take place on the afternoon of Sunday 29th November 2020. The tree will be in the same position as for 2019, however it being a Sunday should mean less traffic, the public will be kept to the church side of the road by barriers/cones and marshals. The police will be involved in the preparation discussions.
- c. The church would like the strimmer from the shed on the burial ground. No other use has been found for any of the other equipment. **It was agreed by all that the shed would be emptied into the allotment skip by Councillors Rainey and Thomas at the appropriate time.**
- d. The final meeting between the Village Hall and the Parish Council has taken place. **It was confirmed and agreed that all the conditions laid out in the Memorandum of Agreement between Repton Parish Council and Repton Village Hall had been fulfilled and that the subgroup could now be disbanded.**
- e. The railings over the Brook on Askew Grove are in poor condition. There are also benches that need repainting. **It was agreed that the council should pay for this and quotes would be sought.**

9. Elderly Services (Councillors **Sheldon**, Perks, Lloyd, McArdle)

There are no further updates on the Dales area apart from that the asbestos had now been removed. Councillor Lloyd advised that there are currently places available at the Friday Lunch Group. The working party is looking into the elderly services provision and they are reviewing the facilities around the village. The next meeting is scheduled for the 17th April at Councillor Sheldon's residence.

10. Youth/Playing Fields Facilities (Councillors **Steel**, Perks, Griffiths, Munnien; Mr Skeith)

- a. Broomhills – Councillor Steel reported that he is currently setting up the next meeting of the working party
- b. Councillor Griffiths reported he had concluded the playground inspection at Mitre Field and was recording all inspections.
- c. The quotes received for the work at the Mitre Field were discussed and **all councillors were in agreement to award the contract to Tree and Garden Services Hartshorne Ltd. Action Clerk to advise them.**
- d. The Chair had received a request from the British Legion to use Mitre Field and the Den for VE Day celebrations on the 9th May. **It was agreed that they could hire Mitre Field for the afternoon, but not the evening. The Den is outside of the Parish Councils responsibility. Chair to advise the Legion.**

11. Village Maintenance and Footpaths (Councillors **Dickson**, Sheldon, Griffiths, Brown, McArdle, Munnion)

- a. Footpath between Repton and Willington is ok at the moment but still needs work by DCC. District Councillor Churchill advised he was looking into a byway between Repton and Willington and there had been some interest by SDDC. There is some caution as the land is on a flood plain.

- b. Footpath applications are now being looked into by a member of the public and it was **agreed by all councillors that this member of the public would now progress the footpath applications.**
- c. Pavement on Burdett Way, **Councillor McArdle and County Councillor Ford agreed to meet and survey the pavement.**
- d. Community Facility Funding, **Clerk to move onto agenda for next meeting.**
- e. Councillor Dickson is currently making some checks on two stiles in the village.

12. Burial Ground and Allotments (Councillors **Rainey**, Steel, Thomas, Griffiths, McArdle)

Nothing to record for this meeting.

13. Village Heritage and Improvement (Councillors **Thomas**, Steel, Perks, Dickson)

- a. Adopt a kiosk scheme is not suitable for the phone box in Milton. Councillor Griffiths has checked with BT and the phone box is still being used.

14. Police/Safety and Highways (Councillors **Griffiths**, Dickson, Brown, Thomas, Rainey)

- a. 20mph restriction. There was discussion over whether to see if we could have this put in certain places such as outside schools for a set period of time. A representative from Repton School advised their previous response from DCC when asking about this was disappointing. The amount of traffic is slowing the traffic down at key times. They are continuing to push a restriction around the school entrance with DCC. It was agreed that **the clerk would ask DCC where they were with the traffic order and parking restrictions. Also to ask if we could have another onsite meeting in Repton with Highways. Councillors Dickson and Thomas were also going to bring this up at the Repton Area Forum. Councillor Perks to document on a map the area where the council suggests restrictions would be welcomed (From the 30 mile restriction sign from Willington to Askew Grove, Tanners Lane on Burton Road to the Cross, and Springfield Road from Milton Road to Longlands, and Askew Grove to the Crescent).**
- b. Three planters are now in place on the triangle near to the Repton Cross. It was commented that the A boards are restricting the view of them. The two new planters have been delivered and it was commented that they look rather large. **Action Clerk to ask if they can be swapped for the trough style we already have.**
- c. Report from Flood Prevention Meeting. Councillors Brown and Sheldon attended the meeting and will circulate their notes. **Councillors to collect a list of houses that have been affected by the floods.** They were told that ditches should be cleaned once a year and it is the land owner's responsibility to do this. Gullies need to be documented and they should be cleaned once a year. We should appoint a Flood Liaison Officer.
- d. Repton School Parking, at the end and beginning of terms is causing problems with the number of vehicles parked and where they are choosing to park. It was proposed to the Repton School representative that they could perhaps offer more onsite parking or stagger pick up/drop off times. The Repton School representative advised he would take these suggestions back and report at the next meeting. The end of the school day will be staggered from September onwards.

Closing time for the meeting was scheduled for 21:00, it was agreed by all to extend this to ensure the agenda items were all heard.

15. Arboretum/Sledge Wood (Councillors **Brown**, Lloyd, Munnien; Mr McGahan)

One quote had been received back from the request that the Clerk had sent out for tenders. **All Councillors agreed to the quote. Clerk to inform the company that the quote has been accepted and work can start ASAP.**

16. **Neighbourhood Development Plan and Planning** (Councillors **Lloyd**, Perks, Sheldon, Munnien, Rainey; Mr Thompson)

Nothing to record for this meeting.

17. **Information Technology** (Councillors **Griffiths**, Munnien)

Nothing to record for this meeting.

18. **Finance**

a. **Receipts since last meeting**

Recreation Ground Account	JOGS rent	£10.00
Current Account	Allotments rents	£283.00
Current Account	VAT refund	£3,139.04

b. **Payments for Approval**

Date	Payment method/cheque number	Name	Description	Vat	Total	Details for banking	
				£	£		
20/01/20	2934	Repton Cross preservation work	Bonsers Limited	269.21	1,615.27	Current Account	
01/02/20	2935	Office Rent	Repton Village Hall Company		230.00	Current Account	
01/02/20	2937	Broomhills Pavillion Cleaning	C Hawksworth		45.00	Current Account	
01/02/20	Direct Debit	Email account	BT		7.50	Current Account	
03/02/20	2938	Printer	Ian Griffiths		53.96	Current Account	
12/01/20	2938	Mobile phone top up	Ian Griffiths		10.00	Current Account	
27/01/20	2939	Stationary	Viking	3.33	19.96	Current Account	
03/02/20	2939	Ink	Viking	3.20	19.19	Current Account	
03/02/20	2940	Owen Jowett	Plants and compost for planters		63.41	Current Account	
10/02/20	000008	Repton Parish Council	Cross charging invoice		1,600.16	Recreation Ground Account	
01/02/20	2936	Salary	C J Crowder		762.18	Current Account	information only
				275.74	4,426.63		

Resolved, all payments approved.

c. **Bank Balances**

Account Name	Balance
Natwest Current	£57,008.25
Natwest Recreation Ground	£1,003.02
Royal Bank of Scotland Reserves	£35,789.65
Petty Cash	£40.30

d. **Fixed Assets**

Add 2 new planters as they have now been delivered.

19. **Correspondence**

- NALC Chief Execs Bulletins – 10/01/2020, 17/01/2020, 24/01/2020
- NALC other comms – 09/01/2020, 10/01/2020, 16/01/2020, 23/01/2020, 27/01/2020
- DALC Climate Emergency Workshop
- SDDC Derbyshire Floods - Tells us your Experience
- SDDC Flood Liaison Meeting

- f. South Derbyshire event will take place at 6.30pm (6.15 registration) on Thursday 26th March at Midway Community Centre, Rowan Drive, Midway, DE11 0FF
- g. SDDC Community and Environment Partnership Grant Scheme 2019-2021
- h. Derbyshire Floods - Tells us your Experience
- i. DCC Mobile Library Routes
- j. DALC Newsletter 02/2020
- k. DALC request for help New Village Hall
- l. DALC JPAG Practitioners Guide survey

20. Date and time of next Parish Council meeting

Monday 9th March 2020, 19:00 for the Parish Meeting followed by the Parish Council Meeting in the Meeting Room at Repton Village Hall