

MINUTES OF REPTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 8TH JANUARY 2024

Present: Councillors Sheldon (Chairman), McArdle, Fluck, Mason, Brown, Hardwick, Dickson, Kingman and Hurren

Absent: Councillors Steel and Rainey

Staff and public in attendance: District Councillor Haines, County Councillor Ford, Clerk Caroline Crowder and 2 members of public.

1. APOLOGIES

Councillor Steel gave his apologies due to the death of a family member, Councillor Rainey due to family commitments. District Councillor Lowe also offered his apologies due to other commitments.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. DISPENSATIONS ON DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None.

4. ANY ITEMS TO BE TAKEN WITH THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED

None.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH DECEMBER 2023

Resolved: The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by Councillor Sheldon as a correct and true record.

Standing Orders suspended

6. PUBLIC SPEAKING

A member of the public advised he would like Repton to enter the Village in Bloom. He is happy to work with anyone that is interested. Councillor Brown agreed to work with him on organising. **Resolved, all Councillors agreed that up to £100 would be made available from the Council to assist with the entry.** County Councillor Ford advised he may be able to provide a financial contribution also.

7. REPTON SCHOOL

Anna Parish from Repton School thanked all involved in last year's Christmas tree. Unfortunately the storm brought it down and broke the base; it was therefore not able to be erected again. Boards were back in the school on the 8th January. There is an exeat on 26th January. They are involved in the community day to be held in the Village Hall on 20th January. They have agreed to move the barrier to allow access for pushchairs and wheelchairs more easily between Mitre Drive and the Pastures. This is likely to be completed in February. Councillors Sheldon and Dickson asked if the School could fill in the potholes along Mitre Drive. The Clerk had raised with her before Christmas about the flood lights on the sports pitches being blinding for drivers coming in from Willington over the causeway, she is to chase an update.



8. PLANNING MATTERS

a. Planning Applications

Councillor Sheldon advised that planning application DMPA/2023/1464, is a resubmission. It was previously denied due to access. He asked District Councillor Haines if she could check that this had now been resolved.

b. Planning Decisions

No comments.

Standing Orders Resumed

9. COUNTY, DISTRICT AND PARISH COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

- a. County Councillor Ford, flooding issues has been horrendous, worst ever seen. Councillor Sheldon advised that there is a meeting on flooding in Repton and asked County Councillor Ford if he could get a DCC representative to attend. Budget setting is currently in process. They are currently planning on the future of County Hall; it may be that this becomes a hotel, offices and accommodation.
- b. District Councillor Haines, will attend the flood meeting and the community day. The planning department are still catching up; they have had four committee meetings in last the last two months.

10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- a. Repton Community Day, 20th January 11:30 to 14:30, the Parish Council will be in attendance.
- b. The local Police had written to Councillor Sheldon to make him aware of trouble that had recently been encountered. A family were completely covered by water after a vehicle went through and purposefully wet them.
- c. He thanked the community for their assistance during the recent floods.

11. CLERK'S REPORT

- a. Parish Council Surgeries: 12th January Councillor Mason, 9th February Councillor Brown, 8th March Councillor Sheldon
- b. District Councillor Haines has confirmed that no further action is needed for Broomhills Fire Safety Legislation as the primary focus is on buildings 11m plus in height and cladding.
- c. Emergency lighting check is being arranged for end of January/beginning of February at Broomhills.
- d. Red paint received for Milton telephone box, will pass to decorator once a confirmed start date.

12. SDDC BUDGET CONSULTATION 2024-25

Discussion was had over the response to SDDC. Councillor Hardwick had drafted a response. Following the discussion he will update this response. **Resolved, all Councillors agreed that the updated response could be sent to SDDC and shared with other Parish Council's in South Derbyshire who could support Repton in this response or use the information to assist formulated their own response.**

13. FISHER GERMAN CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence is noted.

14. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEE/WORKING GROUPS

a. ELDERLY PROVISION (COUNCILLOR SHELDON)

i. FISHER CLOSE

No updates.



b. ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE (COUNCILLOR BROWN)

i. ARBORETUM

i. MAINTENANCE QUOTE

Work completed except for weed killer which will be applied when needed.

ii. TREES

Remove from the next agenda.

iii. MILTON TELEPHONE BOX

i. DEFIBRILLATOR

Hopefully will be installed February 2024. Clerk to add to Council insurance once an installation date has been received.

c. RIGHTS OF WAY/MAINTENANCE (COUNCILLOR DICKSON)

- i. Councillor Sheldon advised that flooding in the square was awful and flooded four houses in the previous week's floods. He believes the solution is a natural flood management system; he has been in touch with the Environment Agency and asked for an urgent meeting.
- ii. Councillor Sheldon proposed that the Council remove their objection to the diversion of parts of footpath 11 and 12 onto 41. **Resolved, the majority of Councillors agreed.**
- iii. Councillor Dickson had reported to DCC that the solar light on Matthew's jitty was not working correctly. They have attended and fixed the issue.

d. BURIAL GROUND AND ALLOTMENTS (COUNCILLOR STEEL)

No new updates.

e. RECREATION, PLAY FIELDS AND YOUTH

i. BROOMHILLS PAVILION (COUNCILLOR BROWN)

i. MAINTENANCE

No updates.

ii. MITRE FIELD

i. DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT QUOTES FOR PLANNING ON THE MULTI-FUNCTION TRACK

This is no longer needed.

ii. MULTI-FUNCTION TRACK (COUNCILLOR MASON)

Councillor Mason has asked for further drawings and has also submitted measurements for the new drawings.

iii. GRANTS (COUNCILLOR MASON)

No updates.

f. EMERGENCY

i. FLOODING (COUNCILLOR SHELDON)

There is a meeting to be held on 19th January at 19:30 in Repton Village Hall, all are welcome to attend.

g. FREEPORT (COUNCILLOR FLUCK)

No updates.

h. SPEED WATCH, PARKING AND TRAFFIC

i. SPEED WATCH (COUNCILLOR KINGMAN)

No sessions were held in December, a new rota is to be drawn up.

ii. PARKING AND SPEED CONTROL (COUNCILLOR HARDWICK)

Nothing to report.



iii. SIDS (COUNCILLOR HARDWICK)

Three quotes have now been received, the working group will analyse them and report back to the Council.

i. ACCESS AROUND THE PARISH (COUNCILLOR DICKSON)

None

j. COMMUNICATION AND SOCIAL MEDIA (COUNCILLOR HARDWICK)

The working group will be at the community day and handing out a survey.

k. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (CLERK)

No updates.

15. FINANCE

a. Receipts since last meeting: Incoming finance:

I.	31/11/2023	RBS Reserves Account	Interest	£51.48
II.	12/12/2023	Recreation Ground Account	from current account	£1212.00
III.	29/12/2023	RBS Reserves Account	Interest	£49.83
IV.	05/01/2024	Current Account	Ashes interment	£200.00
V.	08/01/2023	Current Account	VAT refund HMRC	£642.97

b. Payments already made and for approval:

Date	Payment method/c heque number	Description	Name	Vat	Total	Details for banking	Payment from
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Clerk Salary	Clerk		1,020.32	Information only	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Clerk pension	DCC		277.89	Information only	Current Account
08/01/2024	Direct Debit	Office rent	Repton Village Hall		175.00	Information only	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Broomhills cleaning	Cleaner		45.00	For approval	Current Account
08/01/2024	Direct Debit	Broomhills electricity	British Gas	1.53	32.28	Information only	Current Account
08/01/2024	Direct Debit	Unmetered electricity supply for light on Springfield	SSE	1.38	12.86	Information only	Current Account
08/01/2024	Direct Debit	Mobile phone	Tesco Mobile		14.99	Information only	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Email December 2023	Bluehost (via clerk)	0.95	5.68	For approval	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	NI and tax	HMRC		384.29	Information only	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Printer ink	Amazon (via clerk)	7.16	42.97	For approval	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Arboreta maintenance	Woodgrow Horticulture	170.00	1,020.00	For approval	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Milton Christmas Tree Contribution	Milton Village Hall Committee		63.25	For approval	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	New battery for flood monitor	Aquasition Ltd	22.00	132.00	For approval	Current Account
08/01/2024	Bank transfer	Repton planter refill	A Volunteer	12.97	77.84	For approval	Current Account
			TOTAL		£215.99	£3,304.37	

c. Bank balances

Current Account = £38,376.95
 Recreation Ground Account = £1,339.50
 RBS Reserves = £43,299.39
 Petty Cash = £81.76



Chairman's signature, once full Council has approved: _____

d. Defibrillator to be added once installed.

16. CORRESPONDENCE (RECEIVED SINCE LAST AGENDA UNTIL 3RD JANUARY 2024)

- a. DCC: Newsletter x 1; FYI - Repton BR22
- b. DALC: December Newsletter; Community Ownership Fund Application window open; Letter from PCC regarding waiving Council Tax for Special Constables
- c. NALC: Newsletter x 4; Chief Executive's Bulletin x 4
- d. SDDC: Playground Inspection x 1; Notification of Parish Precepts 2024/25 - Repton Parish Council; SDDC Budget Consultation 2024-25 x 2; Area Forum dates and Venues; Repton Area Forum minutes
- e. Sterilizing Solutions monthly report x 2
- f. District Councillor Lowe:
- g. County Councillor Ford:
- h. South Derbyshire CVS: Health and Wellbeing Bulletin x 1; Funding Bulletin x 1; Repton Community Day
- i. District Councillor Haines: Concurrent Funding
- j. East Midlands Audit Services Newsletter
- k. East Midlands Airport Airspace Change Stage 2 - Gateway outcome; East Midlands Airport Future Airspace - Stage 2 information sharing/Q&A sessions
- l. Fisher German: Hallifield Hedge and Fencing works x 2
- m. URGENT Special Constable Council Tax Discount - Commissioner Angelique Foster
- n. Derbyshire Pension Fund - Investment-related strategies consultation; Derbyshire Pension Fund, employer newsletter 2023, December 2023
- o. Repton School: Mitre Jitty Barrier

17. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 12th February 2024 at 19:30 in the meeting room at Repton Village Hall.

Chairman's signature, once full Council has approved: _____

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