

ROUNDWAY PARISH COUNCIL

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Date: Monday 16th June 2014

Place Nursteed School, Brickley Lane, Devizes.

Time 7.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillors:	Callow	Batchelor	Rowland	Ms Valentine
	Mrs Steel	Stevens	Geddes*	Ms Rugg
	Miss Vonberg	Wooldridge*	Collis	Parsons

* Also Devizes Town Councillor

Clerk Stan Johnston

200 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. Job and Cllr. Stevens. These were accepted by the meeting.

201 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were none

202 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Having been previously circulated, the chairman was authorised to sign the minutes as a true record of the meeting on 19th May 2014. This was proposed by Cllr. Wooldridge, seconded by Cllr. Parsons, and approved unanimously.

203 UNITARY COUNCILLOR`S ITEMS

Cllrs Mayes confirmed that real progress is being made regarding the skate park. Cllr. Jacobs reported significant progress on various issues, including the mentoring scheme to assist young people into work.

204. REPORT FOR INFORMATION AND DECISION REGARDING PLANNING MATTERS.

1. 14/04745/TPO - 9 Broadleas Park, SN10 5JB. Cllr. Geddes has circulated this for comments and suggested that there is no need for comment.

2. 14/05712/LBC - Cllr. Geddes also described a more recent application for listed building consent for structural repairs at Roundway Hill Farm. He saw no grounds to object.

205 NEW BUS SHELTER AT NEWMAN ROAD

Cllr. Mayes explained that she has been liaising with John Totten regarding this issue. Mr Totten addressed the meeting to explain the need for this shelter. Cllr. Mayes has submitted this to the Area Board and will seek support from this council. Cllr. Wooldridge proposed that the council support this in principle. This was seconded by Cllr. Rowland and approved unanimously. The clerk will investigate the availability of funds in the current budget and will also submit the relevant papers to Wiltshire council.

206. FINANCIAL REPORT

1. The clerk circulated an updated monthly financial report, taking account of recent invoices. There was a short discussion regarding the value of the 'Messenger' to Roundway residents. Cllr. Steel proposed that the report be accepted. This was seconded by Cllr. Geddes and approved unanimously.

2. Annual Return. The clerk described the figures in Section 1 of the Annual Report. Cllr. Callow read out the series of statements on Section 2 of the Annual Return. In each case the council agreed that the answer to questions 1-8 was YES and that question 9 was not applicable.

Cllr. Steel proposed that the chair sign the Annual Return. This was seconded by Cllr. Geddes and approved unanimously.

207. GRANT APPLICATIONS

1. Cllr. Geddes suggested that the council should formulate a policy on how to deal with grant requests. There was a discussion of the issues governing how public funds should be dispensed.

2. Devizes Rugby Club – Cllr. Wooldridge proposed that the council ratify the decision to support a bid for S106 funding by Devizes Rugby club. This was seconded by Cllr. Batchelor and approved unanimously.

3. Splash - There was a short discussion regarding a funding request. Cllr. Parsons proposed that £50 be donated to the Bobby van Trust. This was seconded by Cllr. Batchelor. This was approved by 5 votes to 4.

4. Bobby Van Trust - Cllr. Parsons proposed that £50 be donated to the Bobby van Trust. This was seconded by Cllr. Geddes. This was approved unanimously.

5. Elaine Gale and Alan Harrington, trustees of DOCA, attended on behalf of Jo Beale and answered several questions from councillors relating to their appeal for funding. Cllr. Wooldridge proposed that the council make a grant of £800. This was seconded by Cllr. Geddes and approved unanimously.

208 QUAKERS WALK.

Cllr. Geddes & Cllr. Steel reported that a local resident has located and cleared a ditch, which may have solved the drainage issue.

209 GOVERNANCE REVIEW

Cllr. Callow explained the background and the invitation to sit down and discuss this matter with Devizes Town council. There was a short discussion regarding the issue. It was decided that Cllr. Callow, Cllr. Stevens, Cllr. Batchelor and Cllr. Parsons will represent Roundway on the joint working group. The clerk will advise Simon Fisher of this decision.

210 DREWS POND WOODS

Cllr. Wooldridge gave a brief update.

211. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr. Rowland circulated a report and provided an update. He proposed that 'Roundway Parish Council endorses the Draft Devizes Area Neighbourhood Plan and instructs the Plan's Steering Group to forward it to Wiltshire Council for them to complete those actions necessary for its adoption.' This was seconded by Cllr. Geddes. This was approved by 10 to nil with 1 abstention.

212. ALLOTMENTS.

Cllr. Wooldridge gave a brief update. He had previously circulated a report with a view to a decision regarding further spending on work to provide a water supply. He explained that the proposed work would be £172.64 over budget. Cllr. Callow proposed that increased expenditure of £200 be approved. This was seconded by Cllr. Geddes and approved unanimously.

213. EMERGENCY PLAN

Due to illness this has not been progressed. It will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

214. NOTICE BOARDS & LITTER BINS

Cllr. Wooldridge reported on behalf of the working party. Due to some issues regarding emptying of bins, it was decided to postpone this until a later meeting, to allow some research. Cllr. Wooldridge had circulated some quotations for notice boards and gave a brief update on preferred locations. Cllr. Vonberg proposed the purchase of four notice boards, subject to planning permission. This was seconded by Cllr. Valentine. It was approved unanimously.

215. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cllr. Geddes reminded members that the meeting with Hannick Homes will be tomorrow evening (17.06.14) at 7.15pm at the Cheese Hall, Devizes.

Cllr. Wooldridge advised that Wiltshire council are reviewing contracts for grass cutting at Marshall Road (and other areas). He also advised that some mail is arriving open. The clerk will sellotape envelopes in future.

216. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 21st July 2014

217. The meeting closed at 2120 hrs.