

ROUNDWAY PARISH COUNCIL

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MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

Date: Monday 20th October 2014

Place Nursteed School, Brickley Lane, Devizes.

Time 7.00 pm

PRESENT

Councillors:	Callow	Batchelor	Rowland	Ms Valentine
	Mrs Steel	Geddes*		
	Wooldridge*	Collis	Parsons	

* Also Devizes Town Councillor

Cllr. Jacobs (Wiltshire) also attended.

251 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr. Stevens (conflicting commitment away from Devizes), Cllr. Vonberg & Cllr. Rugg (both illness). These were accepted by the meeting.

252 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were none.

253 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 15th September 2014. This was proposed by Cllr. Valentine seconded by Cllr. Geddes, and approved unanimously.

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254 UNITARY COUNCILLOR`S ITEMS

Cllr. Jacobs provided an update on flood prevention measures, offering support, where necessary. He advised the council of proposals for a country park at Castle Valley and creation of a community woodland scheme at Pine Walk. He also provided an update regarding the youth network.

255. REPORT FOR INFORMATION AND DECISION REGARDING PLANNING MATTERS.

1. Application 14/08771/FUL – Bedborough Farm, London Road. Devizes – change of use to Muslim Prayer Centre. Cllr. Geddes reiterated that this is a planning application that must be considered on planning grounds only. He advised that neighbours have raised concerns regarding access, parking and drainage. After discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. Parsons, seconded by Cllr. Geddes and approved by 6 votes to 1 with 2 abstentions, that 'the council make no objections'. (Cllrs. Geddes, Batchelor, Parsons, Rowland, Wooldridge & Callow voted in favour, Cllr. Steel voted against and Cllrs. Collis & Valentine abstained).
2. Application 14/09447/FUL - a bungalow on a plot adjacent to 44 Roundway Park. Cllr. Geddes advised this was a newly received application. After discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Parsons, seconded by Cllr. Wooldridge and approved unanimously that 'the council make no objections.'

256 PATHWAY AT MARSHALL ROAD / WINDSOR DRIVE

Cllr. Valentine described the lack of a cycle path on part of this route and the need to convert it all to a combined pedestrian/cycle path. It is believed that the reasons are historical. It was proposed by Cllr. Valentine, seconded by Cllr. Callow and approved unanimously that the clerk be instructed to e mail Cllr. Whitehead requesting that section 106 funding be used to upgrade this pathway.

257. FINANCIAL REPORT

The clerk had previously circulated the financial report. It was proposed by Cllr. Wooldridge, seconded by Cllr. Geddes and approved unanimously that 'the report be accepted'.

258 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr. Rowland provided an update and advised that, in addition to housing, the plan should now begin to consider quality of life issues.

259 QUAKERS WALK – DRAINAGE

Cllr. Rowland raised the issue of flooding on a path at Quakers Walk which is subject to flooding. He reported that the Air Quality and Transport Strategy Group have proposed that Roundway Parish Council fund this work using S106 funds. It was proposed by Cllr. Rowland, seconded by Cllr. Geddes and approved unanimously that 'the council support completion of this work'. The clerk will explore the possibility of section 106 funding.

260. ALLOTMENTS.

Cllr. Wooldridge presented a report which has been previously circulated. He updated the meeting regarding the installation of a water tank. He highlighted dangers at the location and an urgent need for new signage. It was proposed by Cllr. Wooldridge, seconded by Cllr. Steel and approved unanimously that 'the council share the cost of signage with Devizes town council, on a 50%-50% basis.' It was also proposed by Cllr. Wooldridge, seconded by Cllr. Steel and approved unanimously that the council spend £100.50 on fruit trees for the allotment site.

261. EMERGENCY PLAN

Cllrs. Rugg and Vonberg were unable to attend therefore. It was felt that this item should be deferred to next spring to allow for consultations with adjacent parishes.

262. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cllr. Batchelor requested that we obtain more dog waste stickers. The clerk will pursue this.

Cllr. Wooldridge raised the issue of an exposed bus shelter with long grass and no hard standing at Windsor Drive.

Cllr. Callow suggested that the cemetery paths need to be renovated and that the JCB precept may need to increase. The council precept will be considered in the near future.

263. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 17th November 2014

264. The meeting closed at 2105 hrs.