

RUFFORD PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 8 November 2016 at 5.30 pm in Rufford Mill.

PRESENT: Cllrs D. Fernley, A. Drane, B. Bates, J. Pearce, K. Bower, County Cllr J. Peck and Mr D. Heathcote.

Cllr Fernley in the chair.

There were apologies for absence received from Cllr, D. Franks.

There were no declarations of interest from those present.

17/32. The minutes of the ordinary general meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 13 September 2016 were read and approved as a true record.

17/33. The matters arising from the minutes were:

17/25 – The Planning Enforcement Officer has written to inform that the reported activity taking place on the site of the old poultry sheds on Rufford Lane is currently being investigated by the County Council.

17/27B – The Infrastructure 106 Officer has written to inform that the reported poor TV reception as a result of the wind turbines will be considered at a Section 106 Meeting in November 2016.

17/29A – The worn pavement on Mickledale Close has been reported to the County Council Highways.

17/29E – Following a request, the Lengthsman has agreed to clean the new depth gauge placed in the ford.

17/34. Planning Consultation:

Decisions:

- A. Application No. 16/00876/CMA
Applicant: Rainworth Energy
Proposal: construction of a digestate storage lagoon for an Anaerobic Digestion Plant.
Location: Stud Farm
Decision: Approved.

- B. Application No. 16/01063/CMA
Applicant: Rainworth Energy
Proposal: installation of Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Plant.
Location: Center Parks
Decision: Approved.

- C. Application No. 16/01165/FUL
 Applicant: Mr J. Canning
 Proposal: extension and alterations to existing dwelling and detached garage to form indoor swimming pool, new bedrooms and larger garage/hobby room.
 Location: Woodlands, Old Rufford Road
 Decision: Approved.
- D. Application No. 16/01195/FULM
 Applicant: Center Parcs
 Proposal: accommodation to include re-planning of the golf driving range to create new woodland, 28 new lodges and additional parking.
 Location: Center Parks
 Decision: Approved.

Applications:

- E. Application No. 16/01618/OUTM
 Applicant: Coultas Farming Ltd
 Proposal: residential development of up to 113 dwellings with associated access, drainage infrastructure, landscaping, open spaces, car parking and all ancillary works
 Location: land at Oldbridge Way, Bilsthorpe (Bilsthorpe parish)
 Resolved: Object, on highways grounds. There will be an increase in traffic volume using the already congested and unsafe Limes Café A614 junction. County Cllr Peck commented that the problems at the junction were difficult to resolve however there had been some recent safety improvements. He felt that the suggested traffic lights solution was unlikely to be implemented.

Appeals:

- F. Application No. 16/00792/HRN
 Applicant: Geoff Bower Ltd
 Proposal: removal of the hedge to enable farm activities to be undertaken and make the fields easier to work. Plant a new hedge along the northern boundary of approved solar park for screening purposes.
 Location: Stud Farm
 Resolved: No objections, as before.

17/35. Correspondence tabled at the meeting:

- A. NCC – offer of 20kg of bagged salt for use on icy conditions. **Resolved:** It was agreed to accept the offer of free salt.
- B. NCC – invitation to apply to the Supporting Local Communities Fund. **Noted.**
- C. Jonathan Ball – request to consider the environmental effects of dredging operations carried out at Rufford Ford. **Resolved:** The contents of the letter were noted, however the County Council is the responsible body for flooding and the decision to dredge the ford had not been taken by the parish council. The Clerk has already acknowledged the letter and had also invited Jonathan Ball to attend this meeting.
- D. NSDC – consultation on Community Infrastructure Levy – new draft charging schedule. **Noted.**

- E. Citizens Advice Bureau – invitation to annual general meeting to be held in Ollerton on 30 November 2016 at 3045pm. **Noted.**
- F. Gillian Hattersley – letter of resignation from Rufford Parish Council. **Resolved:** The members accepted Mrs Hattersley’s resignation and thanked her for her service to the community.
- G. NSDC – Notice of a casual vacancy for a parish councillor. An election can only be held if a request from ten electors is received by 24 November 2016. If no election is requested, then the parish council are free to co-opt. **Noted.**

17/36. Finances:

There was no business to discuss.

17/37. Roadways and Footways:

There was no business to discuss.

17/38 Community Facilities:

The name of the new operators of Rufford Country Park will be announced by the County Council on 15 November 2016.

1739. Date of next meeting:

The date of the next ordinary Parish Meeting will be Tuesday 10 January 2017.

CHAIRMAN _____

DATE: 10 January 2017