

## **RUYTON XI TOWNS PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Ruyton XI Towns Parish Council meeting held at Victoria Rooms Ruyton XI Towns on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 6.30 pm,

**Present:** Cllr Trevor Allison, Tamarin Bibow, Kerry Coldwell (Chairman), Paul Dean Mervyn Eyles, Nick Kynaston, Kate Mayne (part), Anne Mitchell, Luke Penton

**In attendance:** 3 members of the public, Cllr Nick Bardsley, Shropshire Council; Ian Cruise-Taylor (Locum Clerk)

**137/23: Welcome by Chairman** – The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

**138/23: To note Apologies:** Cllr Rob Hamlett

**139/23: To Note Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests and consider and determine Dispensation requests** – none to note or request to consider

**140/23: Public session** – One member of the public raised the issue of improvements to the A5, suggesting further sections of dual carriageway. It was agreed by Council to work with other parish councils along the route to advocate for improvements.

**141/23: Minutes:** Council unanimously approved the minutes of October 2023 and January 2024 meetings, with the exception of a change to the spelling of Cllr Mayne's name.

**142/23: Reports: Council to consider and note any reports received.**

a) SC Cllr Nick Bardsley reported:

- that a useful discussion had taken place with the partners at the Prescott surgery. (Council agreed that the Clerk should seek to work with other affected parish councils in respect of further discussions)
- that parish councillors were encouraged to respond to the Shropshire Council Movement Strategy Consultation.

**143/23: Parish Matters, including updates from councillors**

- a) Report from Chairman on outcome of notification of casual vacancy and agree next steps – it was noted that there had been no response and agreed to readvertise on website and notice boards.
- b) Update on Community Orchard proposal and determine next steps; It was reported that the trees are in pots and that Cllr Kate Mayne is coordinating with David Shearan (and his team of volunteers), regarding the exact position in the Queen Elizabeth Field. It was also agreed that woodchip would be applied to the paths of the spinney to improve weed control.
- c) Update on damage to The Cross and determine next steps – the locum clerk reported that quotes were being obtained.

- d) VAS signs – agree next steps regarding ongoing maintenance. It was agreed further attempts would be made to identify faults.
- e) The Cliffe – agree next steps regarding replacing the notice board, additional notice board, refuse bins, information boards and query regarding trees – agreed to ask Great Ness and Little Ness Parish Council regarding notices.
- f) Council to determine response to a proposal for a memorial seat on the Cliffe footpath – Council agreed unanimously that this request be declined.
- g) Council to determine a response to a proposal to allow a West Felton Sunday League football side to use and maintain a football pitch at Doctors Meadow – council agreed to decline the request as the ground in question is unsuitable due to lack of facilities.
- h) Update on sinkhole in Brownhill – Shropshire Council are undertaking repairs, which will necessitate a road closure.
- i) Update on developments with Prescott Medical Centre, Baschurch. There was no further discussion following the report from Cllr Nick Bardsley.

#### **144/23: Planning decisions and applications – Council to consider and agree responses**

- a) 23/05246/FUL: Bridgend, Brownhill, Ruyton Xi Towns, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 1LR  
Proposal: Erection of detached double garage with workshop in roof space  
**Decision: Refuse**
- b) 23/05307/DIS: The Gables Blackbow Hill Ruyton Xi Towns SY4 1HU; Discharge of Conditions 3 (Stone), 4 (Heads and Sills), 5 (Roof Windows), 6 (Roof Materials) and 7 (External Fittings) of planning permission 23/00210/FUL **Decision: Discharge Conditions Part Approved**

#### **For decision:**

23/05547/FUL: Fern Hollow, School Road, Ruyton Xi Towns; development proposed: Bay window front extension, first floor extension and garage conversion works and associated alterations to provide further living accommodation. New front porch under existing open porch roof covering. **Decision: No Comment**

#### **145/23: Finance –**

- a) **Council to consider and approve bank reconciliation:** Approved unanimously.
- b) **Council to consider and approve payments:** Approved unanimously.
- c) **Council to consider changing the parish council website provider –** Council agreed to seek 3 quotes for a replacement website.
- d) **Council to consider and determine grant application:** RATS, £1000 – Council approved the request.

#### **146/23: Correspondence received – for information – none noted**

**147/23: Future agenda items:** Councillors are requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas:

- Website quotes if available
- Review and re-introduction of committees.

Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.

**148/23: Next Council meetings** – Council to meet on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

**149/23: Confidential items:**

**Public and press are excluded from this item and are respectfully asked to leave.**

Staffing matters – report by the Chairman, Council to determine next steps: - Council were updated on efforts to recruit a Parish Clerk

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