



8th November 2016

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee to be held on Monday 14th November 2016, in the Elm Room at the Village Hall, commencing at 6.00pm.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Pinder'.

G. Pinder
Clerk to the Council

AGENDA

The public will be allowed to speak on any matters of concern, subject to prior written notification being received. No requests have been received.

1. To receive apologies for absence
2. To receive declarations of interest from members
3. To consider and approve the minutes of Executive Committee held on 4th July 2016
4. To consider the future of the red telephone kiosk
5. Date & Time of Next Meeting



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**RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – MINUTES
4th July 2016**

At a meeting of the Parish Council held at 5.30pm on Monday 4th July 2016 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

Cllrs: J. Carroll, S. Glover, B. Heydon, and D. Long.

24. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs: J. De'Asha, B. Grunewald, and P. Long.

25. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

26. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON 27TH APRIL 2016

It was resolved that the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on the 27th April 2016 should be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

27. TO CONSIDER FUNDING OF PLANTING FOR BARRIER BASKETS AND OTHER PUBLIC AREAS

Following discussion it was resolved that the barrier baskets would not be filled for this summer season and following options be explored for future planting seasons:

Option 1

Request a quote from St.Helens Council for 13 planters. Consider cost and whether joint funding with CIF would be available.

Option 2

Approach Rainhill Civic Society to coordinate future maintenance with other local organisations. Cost of plants and donation to be agreed with Parish Council. Public liability insurance to be provided if agreed.

Option 3

Approach local business to sponsor individual baskets, service to be provided by St.Helens Council. Cost to sponsor basket £350 per year, to include two planting seasons. Advert to be allowed on sponsored basket.

28. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Executive Committee would be determined when the need arose.

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.

Chair of Rainhill Executive Committee
14th November 2016

**RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – NOVEMBER 2016**

4. TO CONSIDER THE FUTURE OF THE RED TELEPHONE BOX

At the Parish Council meeting on 17 October 2016 it was resolved that a decision on the future of the red telephone box be delegated to Executive Committee. (Minute: 833)

The decommissioned box was adopted by the Parish Council in 2012, when responsibility for upkeep and maintenance passed over. The windows in the box had been smashed or removed, leaving the box unsightly, I have since removed all broken panes and left them empty, for safety. Currently 14 panes are missing.

Options

1. Remove all broken windows, leave empty – current situation.
2. Replace broken windows
 - Whole door insert = £365 + VAT, delivery and fitting; or
 - 5 x painted steel glazing frames = £43 + VAT, delivery and fitting
 - (Cost of fitting not currently priced but looks easy)
3. Make a feature of the box
 - Introduce planting – example outside Whiston Hospital (Beauty on View may be prepared to take on maintenance if this option were pursued). A rough estimate was obtained from D. Platt contractors at Whiston.
 - “The phone box ideally should be sand blasted and repainted when removed and then relocated to the chosen site. It would be advisable to put some sort of chain ornamental barrier or iron fencing around it to protect the phone box.
 - To remove and reinstall the phone box – complete £3500.00
 - To supply 5 summer, 5 winter baskets, the maintenance –
 - Watering & feeding as required to guarantee the service.
 - Keeping area within clean and tidy. £1100.00
 - All costs are plus VAT.”
 - Use as mini exhibition area – Rocket 190, RCS Rainhill Remembered, etc.
 - Use to house additional defibrillator – examples elsewhere in country, but would be big project, potentially costly and would need to check electricity supply.
 - Other options could be researched e.g. book exchange (should library be under threat), tourist information point.
4. Relocate box to more prominent position
 - If the option of planting up the box is preferred, it may be wise to move it to a more prominent location – for surveillance and impact, e.g. Houghton Street, adjacent to the Victoria Hotel; outside the Village Hall; or on the railway station. (Rough estimate requested from contractors who provide Whiston Hospital example, to be reported when received).

As responsibility for maintenance now lies with the Parish Council, I have removed all broken windows, to avoid any possibility of accident/claims. The future replacement of windows, or reuse of the box can then be determined at leisure.

Members should consider the future of the kiosk.

5. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee should consider if a future meeting date needs to be set at this point.