

RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 22nd February 2010 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

Cllrs: B. Almond, J. Carroll, J. Doyle, B. Grunewald, G. Jamieson, D. Kelly, J. Kelly, C. Moore and W.M. Wood.

791. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Cllrs. J. De'Asha, L. Glover, S. Glover, B. Heydon and I.T. Walker.

792. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Jamieson declared an interest in the 'Correspondence' Agenda item regarding his letter announcing his intention to retire from the Parish Council.

Cllr. Grunewald declared an interest in the 'Rainhill Gala' Agenda item as he is a member of the Gala Committee.

793. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18TH JANUARY 2010

The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting held on 18th January 2010 were agreed as a correct record.

794. MINUTES OF THE FINANCE MEETING HELD ON 25TH JANUARY 2010

The minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Meeting held on 25th January 2010 were agreed as a correct record.

795. POLICE REPORT

Inspector Debra Rayment and PC Jamie Moore reported on local policing and answered questions from Councillors.

It was suggested that the new Parish Council notice boards might accommodate the Police neighbourhood newsletter.

Insp Rayment will ensure the newsletter is sent to the Parish Clerk who will distribute it by email to Councillors.

The Clerk agreed to remind PC Moore of the next Parish Council meeting.

796. CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported on actions taken relating to resolutions made and issues raised.

797. CORRESPONDENCE

Vinyline	Glass Honours Boards
Notts Sport Ltd	Synthetic Turf and Synthetic Safety Surfacing
LALC	Workshops and Local Council Review subscribers
L Roberts, W.I.	Village Christmas Tree and Decorations
LALC	Local Council Review subscription list
CCLA	Investment Management / Savings Accounts
G Mason	Churchyard contract
DCE	Merseybuild Event
B Johnson, St Helens Council	Pitch Hire Fees
J Dentith	Ward Committee dates
St Helens Council	Decision: Rainhill Ex Servicemens Club - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 25 Honiston Avenue - Approved with conditions
N Swift, Age Concern	Moneymadeclear
J Dentith	Parish Council resolutions
J Dentith	Copy of letter requested
Bibby Financial Services	Factoring agents for Colourplan Design & Print
HMRC	P6(T)
P Burton ex Whiston Cross	Information re Pitch Fees
Rod Anders, St Helens Council	Precept calculations
D Heron	Planning Application for 3-5 The Meadows
St Helens Council	Ward Committee Agenda 26th January
W McAuliffe, Bold Parish Council	Christmas Lights
NALC	Standing Orders
LALC	Garden Party Ballot, Morecambe Bay Walk, Best Kept Village, CiLCA
D Bott, St Helens Council	Precept
L Skidmore, Merseyside Police	Neighbourhood Newsletter
Presentation Plaques	Good Citizenship Awards
G Jamieson	Letter of retirement
NSPCC	Promoting NSPCC
B Johnson, St Helens Council	Proposed meeting
St Helens Council	Request for Work Form - Holt (Post Sockets)
D Smithson	MALC Agenda
LALC	CiLCA
Jayne Harris, HMRC	VAT Workshop
Marshalls	Driveway and hardstanding materials
St Helens Council	Reply to complaint about pipe work
Merseyside Pension Fund	Annual Return Reminder (by 30th April)
	Complaint about drug dealing and anti-social behaviour
SLCC	Regional Conference 11th March
M Fairclough	Rainhill Park complaints - several emails

St Helens Council	Decision: Wylde Cop, Mill Lane - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 6 Knowsley Road - Approved
St Helens Council	Decision: 25-35 Ellaby Road - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 16 Lawton Road - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: Warburton Hey - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 17 Manor Avenue - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: Stephenson House Day Centre - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: Blundells Hill Golf Club - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 7B Owen Road - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: Rainhill Park - Approved with conditions
M Fairclough	Rainhill Park
Presentation Plaques	Good Citizenship Awards - Proofs
	Churchyard tender
	Complaint about PCSTO
D Gavin	Rainhill Trials Exhibition and Parish Council meeting
Itilluminations	Lamps and tubes
D Oakes	St Helens Youth Brass Band
St Helens Council	Local Development Framework amendments
S Clarke	Rainhill Gala article
D Roberts	MAP correspondence re line electrification
LALC	Subscribers list for LCR
Royal Navy Fleet HQ	Third party request
M Fairclough	Rainhill Park
T Sims, St Helens Crime Prevention Panel	Letter dated 11th October 2009 regarding Constitution change and Cllr. Woods
PC J Moore	Police Attendance on 22nd Feb 2010
B Johnson, St Helens Council	Rainhill Park boiler

Cllr. Jamieson announced he is 80 in August and confirmed that he will be retiring from the Parish Council in May 2010. He pointed out that he attends the Railway & Heritage Society meetings on behalf of the Council and is also a member of the Churchyard Committee. The Chairman, Cllr. Kelly, thanked Cllr. Jamieson for his valuable contribution to the Council over the years he has served.

798. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P/10/0037 3 The Meadows - Substitution of house type
An objection was sent on behalf of the Council.

The Council considered the following applications but did not feel it appropriate to make any observations:

P/10/0027 4 Wensleydale Avenue - 2 storey side extension, detached garage and 2 parking spaces

P/10/0043 3 Goldsworth Fold - 2 storey side and single storey rear extensions

P/10/0093 Longton Lane Community Primary School - Installation of adventure play trail

P/10/0097 13 St James Road - 2 storey side and single storey rear extensions

799. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Description	Amount	Ref
The MOD Accounting Officer - Service Record	30.00	3000
D Blanchflower - Leaflet Distribution 2009 Annual Report	358.80	3001
T Brown - Cleaners Wages - February	64.27	3002
M Paton - Salary (January), Postage, Copying, Stationery, Telephone and Home Office Allowance	1691.89	3003
CPRE - Subscription Renewal	29.00	3004
Merseyside Pension Fund - LGPS January	296.80	3005
ScottishPower - (Holt & Rainhill Park) - January	75.00	3006
United Utilities - Holt Aug, Sep, Oct and Rainhill Park Nov, Dec, Jan	360.08	3007
Churchyard Maintenance January & February	718.00	STO

800. ST ANN'S CHURCHYARD

It was resolved that the tender submitted by M Wright Gardening be accepted. It was resolved that the contract will commence on 1st April 2010 and will be subject to a 3-month probationary period.

It was resolved that notice be sent to the existing contractor to terminate his contract at 31st March 2010.

801. HONOURS BOARDS

It was resolved that the Clerk finds time to continue research into past chairmen of the Council before a decision is made about the starting year for the Honours Board.

802. WAR MEMORIAL

It was resolved that Simon Roger Owen, who died while serving in the Gulf, be added to the servicemen listed on the Rainhill War Memorial.

803. WHISTON CROSS

It was resolved that the pitch hire payments made by Whiston Cross will be deemed to be full settlement of all outstanding fees.

804. RAINHILL ROCKETS

It was resolved that Rainhill Rockets will be contracted to take on Keyholder / Caretaker/ Cleaner responsibilities at Holt Pavilion in lieu of payment of pitch hire fees, the contract to start from 1st July 2010.

It was resolved that the existing, separate, Cleaner role will no longer be required after 30th June 2010.

805. RAINHILL PARK AND HOLT PLAYING FIELDS

It was resolved this item be carried forward to the next meeting on 29th March 2010 pending an anticipated response from Mr. B Johnson (St Helens Council) following the joint meeting on 18th February 2010.

806. RAINHILL GALA

It was resolved that a team from Rainhill High School will again be sponsored by the Parish Council to take part in the 2010 Rainhill Gala. This will include the entry fee, provision of T-shirts and light refreshments.

807. PUBLIC TOILETS

Cllr Grunewald advised that the proposed Museum / Café / Real Ale Bar at Rainhill Railway Station should include the public use of toilet facilities.

808. RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS

Rubbish overspill in Dane Court

It was resolved that the Clerk should write to both the Dane Court owners and the YMCA Charity Shop regarding the overspill of rubbish. Rubbish should either be kept inside shop premises until rubbish collection day or rubbish should be screened off.

Non-collection of green bins containing cardboard

This is a St Helens Council responsibility and Cllr Grunewald offered to try and resolve the problem.

809. REPORTS:

- Public Open Spaces: No report – see item 806.
- Churchyard Committee: No report - see item 801.
- Village Hall Management Committee: No report.
- Rainhill Heritage Society: No report.
- Merseyside Travel Advisory Panel: Cllr Doyle advised of a meeting in Liverpool on 16th March 2010 to discuss the Local Transport Plan.
- St. Helens South & West Crime Prevention Panel: Following an unsatisfactory reply to a letter sent on 6th June 2009, it was resolved that the Clerk send a similar letter to the Chair specifying Crime Prevention ‘Team’ instead of Crime Prevention ‘Panel’.
- Merseyside Association of Parish & Town Councils: Cllr Wood advised that the meeting planned for 3rd February was postponed and had not yet been re-arranged.

- Rainhill Ward Committee: Cllr Grunewald advised that the vehicle-activated speed signs were now operational. It was resolved that the Clerk include an Agenda item for the next meeting on 29th March 2010 to confirm what money is being provided by the Parish Council towards the cost of the signs.

810. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next ordinary meeting would be held on Monday 29th March 2010, the venue being Rainhill Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.46 pm.

Chairman of the Parish Council
29th March 2010