

RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES
17th January 2011

At a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 17th November 2011 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

Cllrs: B. Almond, J. Carroll, J. DeAsha, J. Doyle, L. Glover, S. Glover, B. Heydon, D. Kelly, J. Kelly, C. Moore and W.M. Wood.

Also present: 2 residents.

922. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs: B. Grunewald and M. Donovan.

923. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Wood declared an interest in items 7 and 11 on the Agenda as he is a Governor at St Ann's School.

924. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 29th NOVEMBER 2010

The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting held on 29th November 2010 were agreed as a correct record.

925. POLICE REPORT

PC Moore apologised for his absence from some previous meetings. He gave a detailed report to the Council and answered questions. PC Moore also reported that Ch Supt Chris Armitt had now moved to Liverpool South to become their Area Commander. He has been replaced by T/Ch Supt Robert Carden.

926. CLERK'S REPORT

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

927. CORRESPONDENCE

RBS	St Helens Parish Councils - Bankline Information
HMRC	Reminder to file online by 19/05/2011
Navigus Planning	Journal of Local Planning
ScottishPower	Appointment to read meter at Holt
NALC	E-bulletin
J Owens, St Helens Council	Holt Problems
F Crawford	St Helens District Sports Council
Charities Commission	Annual Return and Accounts
Dean of Blackburn	Invitation to Chair to Lancashire Civic County Carol Service
Civic Society	Christmas Greetings
LCR	Local Council Review Winter 2010
C Tigwell	BBC News update on attempted murder charge over hit PC
St Helens Council	Precept Dates
Charities Commission	Confirmation of receipt of Annual Update 2010

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D Broome	St Ann's Lych Gate
LALC	Newsletter, 2011 Workshop Programme, S137 Expenditure Limit
St Helens Council	Council Web Site
NALC	E-bulletin
Charities Commission	Business Message
NALC	Communications Briefing
LALC	Localism Bill
St Helens Council	Controlled Waste Agreement
M Perry	Garden Developments
D Bott, St Helens Council	Date of setting 2011/12 Rainhill Parish Precept
Merseyside Pension Fund	Beeline Issue 14
ScottishPower	Monthly Instalment advice
M Perry	Thanks for support re P/2010/1079
St Helens Council	Credit Note - Village Hall Waste
St Helens Council	St Helens Road Safety Plan 2010
NALC	BYC Policy Publication on Youth Councils
NALC	New Policy Consultation Responses
A Gaffney, St Helens Council	Revisions to plans for P/2010/1079 Rear of 1 The Meadows
NALC	Office Closure Christmas and New Year
M Perry	Oakes Planning Application
St Helens Council	Local Development Framework Newsletter
NALC	Employment Briefing
J Fairclough	January Newsletter
N Swift	Moneymadeclear
St Helens Council	Updated Councillors Surgeries
NALC	Localism Bill published 13/12/2010
St Helens Council	Decision: 3 Coverdale Avenue - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 5 Malhamdale Avenue - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: Orchard Dean, Craven Road - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 19 Kendricks Fold - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 3 Owen Road - Approved with conditions
St Helens Council	Decision: 17 St Davids Close - Approved with conditions
Royal British Legion	Great Poppy Party Weekend 10-12 June 2011 brochure
Clerks & Councils Direct	January 2011 Issue
K Johnson	Pitch Fees
Lancashire & Merseyside CTP	Notification of courses
Merseyside Pension Fund	Beeline Issue 14
PC Moore	17th Jan Meeting
	Drug dealing, disturbances, noise nuisance and undesirables
J Skinley, St Helens Council	Parish Elections
W Menzies, Network Rail	Tasker Terrace Footbridge
K Rylance, St Helens Council	St Ann's Lych Gate Project, Rainhill

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928. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

It was resolved that the following applications be left to neighbourhood consultation and that no additional comments will be submitted:

P/2010/1102, Tree Tops Residential Home, Two storey 4 bedroom extension - resubmission of P/2010/0894

P/2010/1111, Rainhill Club and Sports Lounge, Retention of change of use of first floor to (Solicitors) office

P/2010/1121, 14 Trent Place, Temporary change of use for 12 months to site and welfare office

P/2010/0921, Rainhill Community Nursery, Erection of a storage shed

*P/2010/1144, 6 View Road, Change of use from A1 to A5 hot food takeaway (Sandwich Shop to Chinese Takeaway)

P/2011/0001, 14 St James Mount, Sun lounge to rear and garage extension

P/2011/0010, St Anns CE Primary School, Single storey extension, gates, fencing and parking spaces

It was resolved that an objection be submitted for the following application:

P/2011/0026, 3 The Meadows, Re-submission of P/2010/0994

It was resolved that the Clerk determine the effect of changes to Planning policies on ‘ongoing’ developments, e.g. where one more applications have been made under the ‘old’ rules and further applications at the same development are made under ‘new’ rules.

929. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Description	Amount	Ref
Clerk's Salary - Nov/Dec and Photocopying	1,750.16	3062
LGPS - Nov/Dec	617.19	3063
Tax & NI (Oct-Dec)	1,127.10	3064
Village Hall Waste	804.13	3065
Website Consultancy	50.00	3066
Churchyard Maintenance December	150.00	STO
Martin Close (Holt) - Dec	37.50	STO
Deepdale Drive (Rainhill Park) - Dec	43.50	STO
Holt Playing Fields - Dec	80.00	STO
Deepdale Drive (Rainhill Park) - Dec	66.09	STO
Churchyard Maintenance January	150.00	STO
Martin Close (Holt) - Jan	37.50	STO
Deepdale Drive (Rainhill Park) - Jan	43.50	STO
Holt Playing Fields - Jan	80.00	STO
Deepdale Drive (Rainhill Park) - Jan	66.09	STO

930. 2011/12 BUDGET & PRECEPT

It was resolved that the Precept be raised by 2.5% to £46,355 and that this figure be reflected in the draft Budget.

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It was resolved that there is a dedicated Finance meeting in November each year, primarily to consider the following year's Budget.

931. ST ANN'S LYCHGATE

It was resolved that confirmation of the Council's willingness to help fund the restoration of the Lych Gate, using figures previously agreed, may be made subject to amendments being made to the Heritage Lottery Fund application being submitted by St Ann's Church. Incorrect references to the Lych Gate being maintained by the Parish Council, the Parish Council being responsible for the upkeep of the church and its associated buildings, and requests for repairs being referred to the Parish Council must be amended to indicate these responsibilities remain with the Parochial Church Council.

932. GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

It was resolved that the Awards Evening should take place on Friday 11th March 2011, not Friday 18th February 2011 as agreed in the November meeting.

933. ST ANN'S SCHOOL CHOIR

It was resolved that the Clerk writes to the Victoria Public House thanking them for allowing St Ann's School to sing in front of the Victoria and providing an electricity point for the choir's CD player.

It was resolved there would be further consideration of this item at the next meeting on 7th March 2011.

934. PUBLIC OPEN SPACES INSPECTIONS

It was resolved that the recommendations of the Open Spaces Committee to make good the railings and install an additional doggie bin at Two Butt Lane (Amanda Road Playground) be accepted subject to a condition report and estimates.

Following the additional information provided by Mr Deveney from St Helens Council, it was resolved that a second doggie bin would not be provided at First/Second Avenue (Ivy Farm Playground).

It was resolved that decisions on funding for the above and any further spending would be carried forward to the next meeting on 7th March 2011.

935. HOUGHTON STREET REFURBISHMENT

It was resolved that this item be carried forward to next meeting on 7th March 2011.

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936. RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS

P/2010/1079 Land to rear of 1 The Meadows

Mrs Perry wrote to thank the Council for a “very positive response from the Parish Council” which she said was “supportive of local residents”.

Chatsworth Estate

Following complaints Cllr DeAsha has requested that Police officers target that area.

Railway Footbridge / Christmas Lights

Cllr Doyle reported that a resident of Victoria Terrace had contacted her regarding the mess on the footbridge, which has since been cleaned, and to thank the Council for the improvements to the village Christmas lights.

Longton Lane

Cllr S Glover reported complaints regarding the state of the footpaths caused by lorries from the adjacent development mounting pavements. Although the road cleaner in use had been effective in cleaning the road, there was a definite problem with the pavements. Cllr Glover has contacted the site manager and the situation has improved.

937. REPORTS:

- Public Open Spaces: See Agenda Item 934.
- Churchyard Committee: The Chair and Cllr Carroll both agreed the approximate dates suggested by the Clerk and Rev Anderson for joint meetings were acceptable. The Clerk was requested to confirm actual dates.
- Village Hall Management Committee: The Chair and Cllr Doyle both reported back on the last meeting. It was resolved the Clerk invite representatives from the Village Hall Management Committee to the next Council meeting.
- Rainhill Railway & Heritage Society: No report.
- Merseyside Travel Advisory Panel: Cllr Doyle advised there was nothing to report from the last meeting that affected Rainhill.
- Merseyside Association of Local Councils: Cllr. Wood reminded the Council that the next meeting on 2nd February would be hosted by Rainhill Parish Council and that the Parish Council Chair will be attending to welcome MALC members to Rainhill.
- Rainhill Ward Committee: There is a meeting next week.
- St Helens District Sports Council: No report.

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- Standards Committee: Cllr Heydon advised the December meeting had been cancelled.
- Rainhill Gala Committee: No report.

938. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

It was resolved that the following dates for 2011/12 meetings are provisionally agreed:

Tuesday 17th May 2011 – AGM followed by Ordinary Meeting

20th June 2011

25th July 2011

5th September 2011

17th October 2011

5th December 2011

23rd January 2012

19th March 2012

14th May 2012 – AGM followed by Ordinary Meeting

The provisional 2012 Annual Parish Meeting date is Wednesday 25th April 2011

It was resolved that the next ordinary meeting will be held on Monday 7th March 2011, starting at 7:30pm, the venue being Rainhill Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 7:41 pm.

Chair of the Parish Council
7th March 2011