



29th June 2016

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee to be held on Monday 4th July 2016, in the Elm Room at the Village Hall, commencing at 5.30pm.

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 27th April 2016
4. To consider Planting For Barrier Baskets And Other Public Areas
5. Date & Time of Next Meeting



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**RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – MINUTES
27th April 2016**

At a meeting of the Parish Council held at 4.00pm on Wednesday 27th April 2016 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

Cllrs: J. Doyle, B. Heydon, and D. Long.

17. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs: S. Glover and B. Grunewald.

18. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

19. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON 4TH NOVEMBER 2015

It was resolved that the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on the 4th November 2015 should be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

20. TO CONSIDER FUNDING OF PLANTING FOR ROAD SIDE VERGES

Resolved that a scheme of mixed herbaceous shrubs be ordered from St.Helens Council, funded equally between CIF and the Parish Council and that expenditure of £2295.53 be authorised to meet the Parish Council share.

21. TO DISCUSS FORMAT OF NEW WAR MEMORIAL BRONZE

Resolved that the names suggested by residents be added to the War Memorial. Following discussion it was resolved that, in order to be consistent with the existing plaque and in line with the War Memorials Trust's guidance, the names be added in rank order.

22. TO AUTHORISE PAYMENTS

Resolved that the following payments be authorised:

| Payee | Description | Amount | Ref |
|-------------------------|--|---------------|------------|
| EWS Colour Print | Production/Printing - 2016 Annual Report | 1185.00 | TFR172 |
| LDS Ltd | Distribution of 2016 Annual Report | 437.37 | TFR171 |
| G Pinder | Telephone | 18.50 | |
| G Pinder | Salary - Apr (less Tax, NI & Pens Ded) | 1014.60 | |
| G Pinder | Photocopying | 35.50 | |
| | | 1068.60 | TFR165 |
| Merseyside Pension Fund | LGPS – Apr | 383.82 | TFR166 |
| St.Helens Council | Kendal Drive Barrier Baskets | 752.22 | TFR173 |

23. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

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

The meeting closed at 4.35pm.

Chair of Rainhill Executive Committee
4th July 2016

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

4. TO CONSIDER PLANTING FOR BARRIER BASKETS AND OTHER PUBLIC AREAS

At the Parish Council meeting on 20 June 2016 it was resolved that a decision on whether to replant the barrier baskets be delegated to Executive Committee. (Minute: 779)

The information present was as follows:

A quote to refill the 26 barrier baskets throughout the village was recently circulated by email for consideration. The details are as follows:

| Location | No | Summer Maintenance | Winter Maintenance | Totals (ex VAT) |
|---|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Side hanging Barrier Baskets Rainhill Road, | 7 | £1,013.47 | £283.77 | |
| Barrier Baskets for Warrington Road - A57 | 12 | £1,737.38 | £486.47 | |
| Barrier Baskets Kendal Drive Rainhill | 7 | £1,013.47 | £283.77 | |
| Total Maintenance Cost | | £3,764.32 | £1,054.01 | £4,818.33 |
| Cost to fill all planters twice | | £2,600.00 | | |
| Plus 10% for replacement plants | | £260.00 | | £2,860.00 |
| Total Cost | | | | £7,678.33 |

Last year the cost was £5,525.20 (+VAT) and a further £626.85 (+VAT) for a winter planting at Kendal Drive, totalling £6,152.05 (+VAT), the cost was divided equally between Parish Council and CIF money.

The Parish Council has already committed to funding the following environmental improvements during this financial year:

- Wildflower planting along the highways at a cost of £2,344.76 (+VAT) (Minute 633)
- A scheme of mixed herbaceous shrubs in the former flower beds at a cost of £4590.66 (+VAT) to be divided equally between Parish Council and CIF money (Minute 20 Exec Committee)
- Maintenance at the Eco Garden £388.50 (+VAT)

Since the meeting I have spoken to various Parish Councils in Warrington and to Warrington Borough Council with the following outcome:

Great Sankey have similar barrier planters and have them filled by Woodend Nurseries at Bold Heath, maintenance is undertaken by a self employed gardener (cost approx. £12.50 per hour) who uses a water supply from the local pub or church.

Winwick Parish do not provide them. They have previously provided hanging baskets but similarly encountered problems with maintenance and removed them.

Burtonwood Parish – response awaited.

I have spoken with Woodend Nurseries, the barrier planters must be delivered and collected from their premises. The cost would be £50 per planter, which is the same as St.Helens Council. They do not offer maintenance.

I have requested a costing from Warrington Borough Council, but am awaiting a response, if further information is received before the meeting I will circulate it electronically, or bring it to the meeting.

The Committee should consider how it wishes to proceed on the barrier planters.

5. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

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