

RAINHILL PARISH COUNCIL

At a meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 14th September 2009 at Rainhill Village Hall, the following were present:

Cllrs: J. Carroll, J. De'Asha, J. Doyle, B. Grunewald, G. Jamieson, C. Moore, W.M. Wood.
Also present: Inspector T. Kelly (Merseyside Police), Mr. K. Williams (Barnardos St Helens Area Manager) and Mr. J. Thomas (Barnardos North West Property Services Manager).

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, Cllr. De'Asha was elected as Chair for the meeting.

710. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Cllrs. L. Glover, S. Glover, B. Heydon, D. Kelly and J. Kelly.

711. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

712. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27TH JULY 2009

The minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting held on 27th July 2009 were agreed as a correct record.

713. POLICE REPORT

Inspector Kelly gave a comprehensive report on local policing and answered questions from Councillors.

It was agreed the Clerk would send an email with updated contact details to Inspector Kelly.

714. CLERK'S REPORT

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

It was agreed that the Clerk's membership of the Merseyside Pension Fund would continue despite the increase in employer's contributions.

715. CORRESPONDENCE

St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0356: 62 residential units at Warburton Hey - Granted with conditions
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0359: Outline application 97 residential units at Warburton Hey - Granted with conditions
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0405: 2 Fairclough Road - Granted with conditions
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0432: 152 Two Butt Lane - Granted with conditions
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0449: 28 Calder Drive - Granted with conditions

St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0500: 3 Goldsworth Fold - Refused
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0541: 174 Two Butt Lane - Granted with conditions
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0546: Laurel Mount Mill Lane - Certificate of Lawful Use granted
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0566: 674 Warrington Road - Granted with conditions
St Helens Council	Application P/2009/0582: 60 View Road - Refused
St Helens Council	Footpath Diversion Warburton Hey
St Helens Council	Road Closure Ratcliffe Place
St Helens Council	Road Closure Sandon Close
St Helens Council	Gambling Act 2005 – Draft Statement of Policy
LALC	Annual Conference 2009
LALC	CiLCA Training November 2009
Merseyrail	Permanent closure of Merseyrail
Merseyside Pension Fund	Beeline Issue 12
Merseyside Pension Fund	Increase in pension contributions
Calvey Restoration	Estimate for cleaning War Memorial
Stone Central	Estimate for cleaning War Memorial
CRE	Fieldwork magazine - September
BDO Stoy Hayward LLP	Query on Annual Return submission

716. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P/09/0701 1 St Winifred Road - Demolish garage / erect 2 storey ext side & rear, loft conv & porch.

A comment was sent on behalf of the Council asking if sufficient off-road parking had been retained following the conversion of the garage to a living area

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

P/09/0629 9 Briars Close - Two storey extension to rear

P/09/0659 152 Two Butt Lane - Single storey extension to rear

P/09/0674 Turris Heath, Mill Lane - Outline application for one detached dwelling

P/09/0681 11 Whitebeam Gardens - Two storey extension to rear and conservatory

P/09/0686 531 Warrington Road - Erection of Sky TV dish to chimney

P/09/0693 36 Ritherup Lane - Installation of bay window

P/09/0728 144 St James Road - Change of house type from previous permission P/2006/0415

P/09/0751 Wylde Cop Mill Lane – Detached dwelling and new access off Mill Lane

P/09/0756 Fairchild Farm Bungalow, Foxs Bank Lane – Removal of agricultural occupancy condition

P/09/0765 5 Briars Close – Conversion of second garage to habitable room

717. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Description	Amount	Ref
United Utilities - Holt Playing Fields	191.91	2894

United Utilities - Rainhill Park	139.97	2895
Scottish Power Electricity - Martin Close (Holt) - August	112.50	2896
Scottish Power Electricity - Deepdale Drive (Rainhill Park) - August	112.50	2897
Churchyard Maintenance 15% VAT: Apr - Sep	323.10	2899
Cleaners Wages - September	64.27	2900
CiLCA - Training and mentoring	150.00	2901
CiLCA - Registration Fee	150.00	2902
Local Gov Pension Scheme - Apr to Aug, Cheque 2890 Cancelled	1335.59	2903
Clerk Salary - August, Postage, Photocopying & Stationery	872.60	2904
HMRC Tax/NI - Cleaner Aug & Sep, Clerk Aug	389.50	2905
Churchyard Maintenance August	359.00	STO
Churchyard Maintenance September	359.00	STO

718. BARNARDOS 4F CENTRE

Following the earlier presentation to the Council by Mr. K. Williams (Barnardos St Helens Area Manager) and Mr. J. Thomas (Barnardos North West Property Services Manager), it was agreed that the Clerk would write to Barnardos giving formal consent, as landlord, for the lighting plans approved by St. Helens Council to go ahead. This consent is to be given subject to Barnardos meeting with immediate neighbours on Old Lane to provide further information regarding the lighting being installed and help allay any fears or misunderstandings they may currently have.

719. LALC

It was agreed that Cllr Wood would attend the LALC Annual Conference in Leyland on Saturday 31st October.

720. COUNCILLOR VACANCY

A notice was posted on 28th July declaring a vacancy due to the de-selection of Mr. Denton. As no election has been called the Parish Council will now fill this vacancy by co-option.

721. WAR MEMORIAL

Two of the three estimates requested for cleaning the War Memorial had been received. It was agreed that more time would be given to receive the third estimate. It was also agreed that the Clerk would determine if any of these firms offered any guarantees against their work.

722. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Carried forward to the next meeting on 26th October.

723. CCTV CAMERA

Carried forward to the next meeting on 26th October.

724. LETTERHEAD AND PRINTING

Carried forward to the next meeting on 26th October.

725. RESIDENTS COMMENTS AND COMPLAINTS

Dog Signs

Cllr. Carroll reported that 'dog fouling' signs had still not been put up. Cllr. De'Asha agreed to follow this through with the Ward Committee.

Blocked Gulleys

Cllr. De'Asha reported the gulleys were in danger of becoming blocked in the area between St. Ann's and St. James Churches on St. James Road and Warrington Road. It was agreed the Clerk would request St. Helens Council clean the gulleys.

726. REPORTS:

- Public Open Spaces: No report
- Churchyard Committee: No report
- Village Hall Management Committee: Next meeting is 15th September 2009
- Rainhill Heritage Society: Report from Cllr. Jamieson
- Merseyside Travel Advisory Panel: No report
- St. Helens South & West Crime Prevention Panel: No response yet from letter sent by the Clerk
- Merseyside Association of Parish & Town Councils: Report from Cllr. Wood
- Rainhill Ward Committee: Next meeting is 15th September 2009

727. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on Monday 26th October 2009, the venue being Rainhill Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.28 pm.

Chairman of the Parish Council
26th October 2009