

Rampton Parish Council

Ordinary Meeting – Minutes

Minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting** of Rampton Parish Council held on **Tuesday 14th September 2021** at 7.30pm at the Village Hall

Present:

Cllrs	S Allen	J Garstang (Chair)
	P Dunkley	S Dence
	M Drew	
	N Gough (SCDC/CCC)	
Clerk	M Mould	Public 4

The meeting started at **7.30 pm**

21/54. Chairperson's introduction and to accept apologies for absence.

None received.

21/55. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensation requests.

None received.

21/56. Questions from the public and / or press:

One resident stated that they had objected to the planning application for the development of land to the rear of 8 The Green. Two other affected residents were present to observe the discussion in relation to the planning item.

A representative from Cottenham Tennis Club was present to observe the discussion on Item 21/69.

21/57. Minutes – to consider that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 06th July 2021 of the Parish Council be signed as a correct record. **RESOLVED with the following three amendments:**

Header updated to state that the meeting was held in the village hall.

Item 21/49. Page 11. Add in action that Cllr Garstang will write to the MD of Stagecoach stating our case

Item 21/53. Page. 12. Added to note that the meetings will now take place on the second Tuesday of the month in order to avoid a clash with Cottenham PC meeting to allow Cllr Drew and either Cllr Gough or Wilson to attend.

21/58. Reports –

CCC - Cllr Gough

SCDC – Cllr Wilson

Village Hall – Cllr Allen

Safety & Inspection – Cllrs Allen and Dunkley

Skatepark – Cllrs Dunkley &

Dence

Clerk report – included tree and police report

No actions requiring minuting were reported

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Public question time is dealt with prior to the start of the meeting and doesn't form part of the formal business of the Council. Time is limited to a total of 10 minutes and each member of the public is asked to restrict their comments and/or questions to 3 minutes in order to allow other people to speak without the public session exceeding its allotted time. Questions not answered at this meeting will be answered in writing to the person asking the question or may appear as an agenda item for the next meeting

Further to the recent theft of drain covers, Cllr Gough confirmed that 13 were stolen in the Rampton area. The remedial road work to replace each grid and its mounting totalled £300 per location. The scrap value of the metal removed was less than £10 per site. Thank you to Highways for completing the remedial work promptly.

19.45. Cllr Drew left the meeting due to a work call.

RESOLVED

21/59. Finance –

The following items were approved

<u>Income From:</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net(£)</u>	<u>Gross(£)</u>
RS Memorials	Burial Fees	94.00	94.00
CCC	Grass Cutting Contribution	700.57	700.57
<u>Items paid – with prior approval:</u>			
HMRC**	PAYE	598.72	598.72
MC Garden Maint	Churchyard Strimming	150.00	150.00
Clerk Salary	July 2021	470.00	470.00
Clerk Salary	August 2021	470.00	470.00
Post Office*	Stationery	24.99	24.99
Rampton Horse Show	Sponsorship	60.00	60.00

** Back payment for PAYE as none had been paid since May 2020.

21/60. Planning

RESOLVED

Planning Applied for:

Reference: 21/03302/OUT / Consultation period extended for us to submit comment on the Outline planning application for the change of use to residential and for the erection of 1 No. dwelling house with some matters reserved except for access.

Site address: Land at The Back Of 8 The Green Rampton Cambridge

This planning was unanimously recommended for refusal. The main reasons for consideration were inadequate access, loss of privacy, restriction of light and views, potential for flooding and change property density adjacent to the conservation area. The comments will be forwarded to the planning officer.

ACTION – Clerk

For information only:

Reference: 21/1111/TTCA – 15 The Green – Victoria Plum Tree – To fell tree due to age and condition.

Reference: 21/1042/TTCA – 14 Church End – Group of Leylandi Trees – reduce the height by up to 7m

21/61. Co-Option of Councillor – Consideration of the application received to fill one of the two casual vacancies via Co-option.

The application was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED

21/62. Consideration of grant request – To consider the grant application received for a contribution towards the village Christmas tree.

In view of the continuing effect of Covid on fund raising it was agreed that for 2021 the Parish Council would donate £500 towards the cost of the village Christmas tree.

RESOLVED – Unanimous

21/63. Ball Games on the Green – to further discuss following complaints received.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would include an item within the village newsletter stating their concerns over the possible consequences of personal injury and damage to property of playing games on the open area of the green.

RESOLVED – Unanimous

- 21/64. Locking of the allotment gates** – To consider the option of installing a combination lock at the allotments to help prevent illegal access.

It was agreed that further investigation would be undertaken to consider the cost and logistics of moving the gate further back into the allotments (to allow for vehicles to move off of the road whilst unlocking). Liaison to be made with the Trustees and the new tenants of the rear field.

ACTION – Cllr Dunkley

- 21/65. Tree works** – To consider the costs required for remedial tree works to be undertaken. Item deferred as not all quotes received.

DEFERRED

- 21/66. Litter bins** – To consider the costs of replacement litter bins at the Rec.

It was agreed that the existing litter bins be replaced with two new larger (100L) bins for the tennis court and the infants play area.

ACTION - Clerk

- 21/67. Local Highways Initiative** – do we wish to consider anything – deadline 30th September.

It was agreed to defer this item until next year to allow time for a meeting with the traffic officer to be held to understand what might be appropriate, and for community opinion to be canvassed.

ACTION - Clerk

- 21/68. Flood Plan update**

Cllr Dence circulated the draft flood plan for review prior to the meeting. Some items are still to be completed. It was agreed to source a supply of sandbags to be stored at a central location for use in emergency. Once completed the Flood Plan will be publicly shared for resident's use.

ACTION – Cllr Dence

- 21/69. Tennis Lessons** – To consider the request from the Cottenham Tennis Club to hold lessons / book sessions on the court at the Rec.

It was agreed that the Parish Council would permit use of the MUGA to Cottenham Tennis Club for private lesson use. The lessons are to be held on a Friday within working hours. The club will pay a nominal fee of £2.50+VAT per hour for the use.

A sign will be placed at the MUGA detailing the times that the MUGA is booked. This was felt to be a better alternative than locking the MUGA and we hope that other users will respect the booking.

RESOLVED - Unanimous

- 21/70. Sign Installation at the Rec** – To consider the request from Cottenham Colts to erect a sign at the Recreation ground.

It was agreed that Cottenham Colts would be permitted to use a temporary sign while games/training are held, which can be stored at the Rec and hung on the store or on the MUGA fence, but that a permanent sign is not permitted.

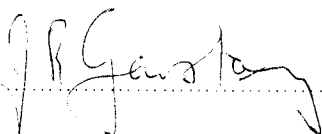
RESOLVED - Unanimous

- 21/71. Dates of next scheduled meetings** – Bi-monthly on the second Tuesday – Nov 16th, 11th Jan

- 22/72. Close of meeting 21.00**

Posted on 17th September 2021 by Moyra Mould
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Signed:



(Chairperson)

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