# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF RENDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE ROOM 1 ON MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2019 at 7.15PM

In accordance with Standing Order No: 38 any matter relating to an employee shall not be considered until the Council or Committee has decided whether or not the public shall be excluded (See SO No: 67). Due to the nature of the business to be transacted the meeting, or parts of it, may be closed to the press and public.

Under Standing Order No. 1. c) Meetings will last no longer than 2 hours and 1. d) If the business of the meeting has not been concluded after 2 hours a resolution will be taken to continue to conclude or defer the business in hand. In any event the meeting will last no longer than 2 hours 30 minutes.

Members: Mike Stevenson (Chairman); Martyn Redfern (Vice Chairman);

Douglas Burness; James Carter; Wendy McKee; Mike Parry; Victoria Proctor; Casey Rose;

Peter Wyartt;

Present: Mike Stevenson (Chairman); Martyn Redfern (Vice Chairman);

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In Attendance: Mrs Heelis – Parish Clerk

### **PUBLIC FORUM -- 15 minutes**

A resident queried the application submitted on the Sports Centre site. The Chairman explained that a public consultation had been arranged prior to the Planning Committee meeting on 11 November 2019 at 6.30pm.

Compliments were given to the Parish Council for the fireworks display held last night.

- Police Report No report.
- County Councillor Report Cllr Nicoll reported that he complimented the Clerk and Parish Council on the newsletter. He has been involve with Sizewell, he was one of the councillors that stated that EDF have not come up with a rational has not addressed concerns and the siting of 2 new reactors in Suffolk. He is against Sizewell C and stated that the case has not been made. The pressure cooker effect on highways and the area are irrefutable. On a practical note we will not receive anything beneficial as a result of the development. No need to improve the A12 or the railway.

He did not support the Ipswich Northern relief road. The impact on Martlesham would be intolerable. Current services will have to unsustainable services with the increase. It would not resolve the problem, it would exacerbate the situation.

Now have a cabinet member living in Campsea Ashe and is well aware of local issues. He suggested inviting him to a meeting of the PC.

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 District Councillor Report – Cllr Herring reported that he shares the points that Cllr Nicoll has raised, the mitigation should have managed much better.

Planning application for the Sports Centre site – the movement should be well received. One of the proposals is a convenience store, can Rendlesham sustain two shops? In terms of land use additional retail space and affordable homes RPC wouldn't want to object to that. What is missing is a proposal put forward to allocate part of the site to allow the school or nursery to expand. If there is a need, how would the school expand.

ESC are looking at their business plan. This will inform the budget for the next financial year. Community Partnerships have come forward in order for the now larger council to have a local perspective. The CPs are allocated funding to take forward community projects that make a difference. He was active in instigating the new CPs.

Cllr Herring and Michael Bond allocated about £6,000 to a project called Period Poverty. This provided sanitary products, free of charge, to females in need. Rendlesham have a box which will be sited in the Community Centre. He was also hoping to also have a box available in Orford.

Any other local group attending – none.

#### 1. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES.

To receive and accept apologies for absence.

Casey Rose.

# 2. MEMBERS' DECLARATION OF INTEREST AND REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION.

a) To receive and record members' declaration of interest on any other matter on the agenda. None.

#### 3. MINUTES

To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 2 September 2019 - Agreed.

4. CASUAL VACANCIES Co-option of Councillors to fill 2 casual vacancies

There were 4 nominations for the 2 vacancies:
Ally Gibbs
Herman Trietsch
Lewis Thwaits
Dave Moore

Dave Moore – lived in the village since 2006. Partially retired from the coastguard. He is a trustee of the Good Neighbour Scheme. He brings experience and time to the Parish council. He has project management experience. His children grew up in the village. He has an interest in what the village means to the young people. He is committed to the young people in the area.

Ally Gibbs – The Clerk read a statement provided by the candidate.

### Round One

Ally Gibbs - 5 Herman - 0 Lewis Thwaits - 0 Dave Moore - 3

Ally Gibbs - 6 in favour. 0 against, 2 abstentions.

Dave Moor - unanimous

Ally Gibbs and Dave Moore were duly co-opted onto the Parish Council. Dave Moore took his place at the table and signed the Declaration of Office

# 5. CORRESPONDENCE LIST (Previously Circulated)

- A1. Clerk and Mike Stevenson to attend.
- A2. Agreed not to pursue a PCSO.
- B2. Challenge the response given and request their report and criteria.

#### 6. REPORTS:

- a) Action Report to be circulated following the meeting.
- b) Community Centre Management Committee nothing to report. They are due to meet against on 12 November.
- c) SNT\_ Mike Parry reported that they were trying to tackle the ASB in Rendlesham. Woodbridge cyclists in the Thoroughfare are now cycling in Rendlesham. It was noted that Rendlesham's problems were similar to those of other villages. The police are trying their best to keep on top of things. It was emphasised that reporting was essential for a higher police presence in Rendlesham.

The Clerk reported that there is now a link on the home page of the Parish Council's website for online reporting.

d) Rendlesham Good Neighbour Scheme – Dave Moore –
 This week – 4 requests,
 This month – 8 requests
 16-20 a month on average

Most requests are transport related eg trips to the doctors, Ipswich hospital, Aldeburgh hospital. They offer a wait and return service. They are finding it hard to find volunteers for a befriending service. Support from other organisations is very positive. They currently have 18 volunteers and a supporters Facebook group of 80.

- e) Climate Change Working Group Victoria Proctor reported that the first meeting was well attended. A list of actions came out of the meeting, including tree planting, air quality testing outside the primary school. The air quality test will provide a baseline. Other initiatives were recycling and larger projects for 2020. The next meeting is on 6 November.
- f) Joint Parish meetings First Buses 15 October & 29 October 2019
  The Clerk reported that 13 Parish and Town Councils attended representing some 46,000 people. There was consensus to reintroduce the No. 800 bus and a local bus strategy.

### 7. CHRISTMAS LIGHTS EVENT Sunday 1 December 2019

a) Christmas Lights set up 23 November 2019 Volunteers needed. Noted.

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b) Volunteers needed for erecting RPC tent and serving punch and mince pie stand. Noted. Brass band and school singers may be available.

#### 8. APPROVAL OF TERMS OF REFERENCE

- a) Planning Committee Agreed and signed.
- b) Climate Emergency Working Party Agreed and signed.

### 9. APPROVAL OF THE PARISH COUNCIL TREE POLICY

It was agreed to defer this item to the January full Council meeting.

#### 10. 1st RENDLESHAM SCOUTS

Tree planting – a request had been received by the Scouts to plant trees at Jubilee Park. Wendy McKee explained that they were looking for a location to plant trees from the Woodland Trust. Victoria Proctor raised the issue of maintenance. James Carter suggested that there may be potential at Jubilee Park. Suffolk Drive, Rockford land and Redwald Road may also be options, to replace lost trees.

### 11. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Consideration of measures proposed in meeting on 28th October to address incidents of anti-social behaviour (report attached).

Soft drinks bar/hub – any solution needs to come from the 13-17 year olds. They need to be involved in the solution. There may be different needs, any solution needs to be flexible and youth driven.

An assumption that the ASB incidents are coming from young people from the village. The problem might be imported from other towns/villages. Noted that the Friday night youth club was a victim of outside young people. There is currently a group of young people on bicycles coming from Woodbridge. Is it possible to encourage people to report incidents to the police?

- a) Dangerous riding on bikes between Rendlesham and Woodbridge.
- b) More CCTV.
- c) Mobile patrols.
  - Noted the police will be starting a camera doorbell campaign shortly.
  - Private Security issues revolved around cost and the impact on the reputation of Rendlesham, although it was noted that they would have witnessed incidents and acted as a deterrent, this was considered an extreme solution.

#### Other solutions -

- To encourage more reporting. Although it was noted that the previous campaign did not produce results.
- Possible supporting roles for people to report a victim scheme, which the Parish Council could facilitate.

**Agreed** to pursue people to encourage reporting to the police directly and how the PC can support them doing that.

There could be benefits if done properly to act as a deterrent.

Agreed not to pursue with the security option at this time.

It was suggested a consultation meeting with the young people to get input on what they need.

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Agreed to defer to the January meeting.

#### 12. STAFFING

This item may be closed to the press and public under Standing Order No.67

The meeting was re-opened.

### 13. FULL COUNCIL BUDGET 2020-2021

To consider the budget for 2020-2021

The budget for the full council was agreed without amendment.

### 14. TO SET THE PRECEPT 2020-2021

Mike Stevenson presented the consolidated budget for 2020/2021. He proposed a precept request of £146,637. Martyn Redfern seconded. **Agreed** unanimously.

It was resolved to continue to a further 20 minutes.

#### 15. REMEMBRANCE DAY 2019

To confirm arrangements for Sunday 10 November 2019.

Mike Stevenson would attend Wickham Market and Mike Parry would attend the local service.

The 1st Rendlesham Scouts were congratulated on the Remembrance Day display by the Village sign.

### 16. OUTCOMES OF THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The meeting was closed to the press and public for the duration of this item. All members of the public left the meeting.

The meeting was then reopened.

### 17. PARISH MATTERS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.

To raise any matters for inclusion on the next full Council agenda.

- a) First Responders To fund equipment for a named First Responder in Rendlesham Doug Burness. **Action**: look into grants.
- b) Vacancies on Committees.

# 18. PARISH MATTERS FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.

a) Reporting to the police

#### 19. DATES FOR 2020 MEETING:

Monday 6 January Monday 6 July November

Monday 2 March Monday 7 September Monday 6 May Monday 2

SIGNED

DATED In 6th 2020

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