

RAMSEY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF RAMSEY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

held on Thursday 12 March 2020 at Ramsey Town Council, 7 Church Green, Ramsey.

Present: - Councillors Mrs L Brady, J Bufton, J Clarke, Ms M Clarke, Steve Corney (Mayor,) Mrs A Costello (Deputy Mayor,) H Edwards, A Lavender, J Palmer, Mrs G Rayment, N Soer and P Wright.
In Attendance, G Cook (Town Clerk.)

21. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors R Brereton, R Costello, D Darmody and E Welsh.

22. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Corney declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No.25, Planning Applications, as a Member of the District Council's Development Management Panel and reserved the right to change his view when presented with applications at the Panel.

23. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were four members of public present. Two gentlemen from the East Anglian Waterways Association enquired into the situation with the barge dock and additional moorings. The Mayor outlined the situation stating that if they would care to email him he would keep them abreast of the situation.

24. **MINUTES TO BE APPROVED**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2020 were approved as a correct record by 10 votes with 1 abstention and duly signed.

25. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

1.1 20/00362/TREE APPLICATION Works to Acacia, Walnut and Silver Birch trees 7 Fairfield's Drive, Ramsey. Unanimously **APPROVED**, work is required to ensure safety of property.

1.2 19/02067/OUT Outline application for residential development for 6 dwellings, requesting consideration of layout, scale, appearance and access. Land between 43 and 49 High Street, Ramsey. Unanimously **REFUSED**, it was felt that the design submitted was too overpowering for neighbouring properties and constituted an over development of the site. A different design may be given consideration. Concern was also shown over access from the site onto the High Street.

1.3 20/00406/FUL New access ramp, single storey rear extension to provide wheelchair accessible WC and associated minor internal alterations – 44a Blenheim Road, Ramsey. Unanimously **APPROVED** will enhance a valuable business within the community.

Planning – Other business

Two applications refused by the Town Council will be going to the District Council's Development Management meeting on 16 March.

19/01127/FUL Detached dwelling with three car garage, access and ancillary works – Land at 19 Bury Road, Ramsey. Cllr Clarke to attend and speak.

17/00630/FUL Erection of 11 houses, new roads, footpaths O S 1283 – Middlemoor Road, Ramsey St Mary's. Noted.

26. **FINANCE ITEMS**

a) Bank reconciliation figures to 29/02/20 – Noted. Clerk to prepare a CIL report for the next meeting.

b) Financial Budget Comparison to 29/02/20 – Noted.

c) BACS/Cheque list to be tabled and approved – Unanimously **APPROVED**.

d) Donation – Ramsey & District Garden Club. Unanimously **APPROVED** to make a donation of £60.

e) After some discussion it was unanimously **APPROVED** to make a donation of £2,000 towards first responder equipment.

27. **AMENITIES, HIGHWAYS, LEISURE AND CEMETERY ITEMS**

a) Seagate Homes St Mary's Road site, S106 public open space – It was **APPROVED** by 5 votes in favour with 2 against and 4 abstentions that the Town Council accept responsibility for the green space.

b) One Way System – To discuss making an application for a Privately Funded Local Highways Application (£500) and the proposed route. Unanimously **APPROVED**.

c) Council Surgery – Unanimously **APPROVED** to run on a trial period for 3 months, the Clerk to devise a schedule of Cllrs.

- d) Phone Box/Defibrillator – defer to Working Party to look into.
- e) Footpath to the camp. Unanimously **APPROVED** to put in an LHI bid.
- f) Play surface replacement, Ramsey Mereside. Clerk to contact Village Association and discuss at Working Party.

28. CEMETERY WORKING PARTY REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- a) It was unanimously agreed to undertake a regime of “Topple Testing” – Clerk to organise a list of volunteers.
- b) Unanimously **APPROVED** that a planning application be made to install a disabled toilet into the mortuary chapel.

29. TOWN MAYOR’S AND CLERK’S CORRESPONDENCE

- a) County Planning, Minerals and Waste Enforcement Plan consultation. Noted
- b) Non-animal Circus. Unanimously **APPROVED** that the circus be allowed to visit the Town.

30. ATTENDANCES AT MEETINGS AND ORGANISATIONS AND TOWN MAYOR’S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr Lavender had attended the meeting of The Ramsey Initiative.

Cllr Mrs A Costello a meeting at Shire Hall to discuss the new Community Fund available through the County.

The Mayor among his many functions had attended a meeting regarding the Abbey and School, the Joint Town Meeting along with the Clerk and had taken part in the pancake race.

31. MEETING DATES

The next meeting of Ramsey Town Council would take place on Thursday 26 March 2020, 7pm.

Town Mayor _____

Date _____