

RAMSEY TOWN COUNCIL

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Ramsey Town Council to be held on **Thursday 12 November 2015 at 7.00pm at 7 Church Green, Ramsey**, when the following items of business will be transacted:-

A G E N D A

Apologies for absence

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations from Members as to disclosable pecuniary and other interests and the nature of those interests in relation to any agenda item.

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To allow 20 minutes for any members of the public to address the Council.

3. TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) Ramsey Windfarm Community Benefit Fund

4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING TO BE APPROVED: 22 October 2015, copy attached.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 8 October 2015, copy attached and 22 October 2015.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

1.1 - 15/01825/FUL – Land rear of 46 and store rear of 44 Blenheim Road, Ramsey - Removal of existing timber garage on frontage, demolition of store at rear and erection of one detached house and garage.

1.2 – 15/01777/FUL – Land at 289 Oilmills Road, Ramsey Mereside – Erection of 2 bedroom bungalow, new access and driveway

1.2 – Further communication from the District Council regarding application 15/01143/FUL – Ramsey Delivery Office, Whytefield Road, Ramsey - Demolition of former Royal Mail Sorting Office and erection of retail unit with ancillary trade counter. This application which was previously approved by the Town Council has now been amended to reflect predominant ground floor retail use.

7. RAMSEY MERESIDE TRAFFIC CALMING PROJECT

To discuss the balance of funding for the Ramsey Mereside Traffic Calming Project. Documentation attached.

8. WORKING PARTY REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Amenities, Highways and Leisure W/P 22 Oct – copy attached

Finance W/P 26 Oct – copy attached

Cemetery W/P 26 Oct – copy attached

9. ATTENDANCES AT MEETINGS AND ORGANISATIONS

10. TOWN MAYOR'S AND TOWN CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE

a) Minutes/Reports – Copies of the following are held in the office:

 Ramsey Allotment Association Minutes 15/10/2015

11. FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Cheque list to be tabled and approved.

12. ELECTRONIC AGENDAS

To discuss the provision of electronic agendas as permitted under The Local Government (Electronic Communications) (England Order 2015). Hard copies would still be made available at meetings.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS:

Thursday 26 November 2015, 7pm (Planning), followed by Amenities, Highways and Leisure W/P at 8pm.

Gary Cook

6th November 2015

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Town Clerk

The press and public are welcome to attend.

MINUTES OF RAMSEY TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING MEETING
held on Thursday 22 October 2015
at Ramsey Town Council, 7 Church Green, Ramsey

Present: - Councillors R Brown, J Clarke, Mrs A Costello (Mayor,) Mrs A Curtis (Deputy Mayor,) R Hartley, Mrs B Hepburn, Mrs D Knight, J Palmer, P Reeve, I Walker and Town Gary Cook.

168 Apologies For Absence

Councillors P Boost, I Curtis, Ms L Duffy, H Edwards, A Lavender, D McIlwain, and Mrs S Reeve.

169 To Receive Declarations of Interest

Councillors Mrs A Curtis, J Palmer and P Reeve declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No.173, Planning Applications, as Members of the District Council's Development Management Panel and reserved the right to change their view when presented with applications at the Panel.

170 Public Participation – There was one member of the public present.

171 Minutes Of The Last Meeting To Be Approved – 8 October 2015

The minutes of the Meeting held on 8 October 2015 were accepted as a correct record by 8 votes with one abstention and duly signed.

Cllr Mrs A Curtis joined the meeting.

172 Ramsey Mereside Traffic Calming

Cllr Palmer gave a resume of speeding issues along Oilmills Road and residents' concerns, along with proposals for addressing the problem. He also sought Council's approval to make an application to the Windfarm Community Benefit Fund and the County's Local Highways Minor Improvement Scheme 2016/17 for £10,000 in each case to cover the cost of the works. **APPROVED** by 9 votes with 1 against.

173 Planning Applications For Consideration

1.1 - 15/01698/HHFUL – 35 Biggin Lane, Ramsey – Proposed extensions and alterations to dwelling. Unanimously **APPROVED** site large enough to accommodate proposals.

1.2 - 15/01654/FUL – 15 Ramsey Road, Ramsey Forty Foot – Barn Conversion. **APPROVED** by 9 votes with 1 abstention. Would improve street scene.

1.3 - 15/01576/HHFUL – Frierley, 6 Marriott's Drove, Ramsey Mereside – Erection of one storey extension and detached double garage. Unanimously **APPROVED** no impact on neighbouring properties.

1.4 - 15/01568/HHFUL – 12 School Lane, Ramsey – Proposed conservatory to the side with Guardian warm roof. Unanimously **APPROVED** no impact on neighbouring properties.

1.5 – 15/01729/FUL – 78 High Street, Ramsey – Alteration to shopfront. Unanimously **APPROVED** will improve visual impact of retail area.

174 Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 12 November 2015 at 7pm, Full Town Council.

AGENDA ITEM 5

MINUTES OF RAMSEY TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Thursday 8 October 2015

At Ramsey Town Council, 7 Church Green, Ramsey

Present: - Councillors P Boost, R Brown, J Clarke, Mrs A Costello (Mayor,) I Curtis, Ms L Duffy, Mrs B Hepburn, T Lavender, D McIlwain, P Reeve, Mrs S Reeve, I Walker and Town Clerk, Gary Cook.

- 156 **Apologies For Absence** – Councillors Mrs A Curtis (Deputy Mayor,) H Edwards, R Hartley, Mrs D Knight and J Palmer.
- 157 **To Receive Declarations of Interest** – Councillors Ms L Duffy and P Reeve declared a non-pecuniary interest in Minute No. 162, Planning Applications, as Members of the District Council’s Development Management Panel and reserve the right to change their view when presented with applications at the Panel.
- 158 **Public Participation** – There were two members of the public present whom had submitted a letter regarding speeding issues along Wood Lane.
- 159 **Town Mayors Announcements** – The Mayor had attended the High Sheriff’s Justices Ceremony recently. She also went through the tabled Police Report.
- 160 **Minutes Of The Last Meeting To Be Approved** – 24 September 2015
The minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2015 were accepted as a correct record by 8 votes with 4 abstentions and duly signed.
- 161 **Matters Arising From The Minutes** – 10 September 2015.
Item 147 (c) Cllr Duffy had unfortunately had to apologise to the Cambs Fens Leader launch.
- 162 **Planning Applications For Consideration:**
- 1.1 15/01519/OUT – Land at 51 Blenheim Road, Ramsey – Erection of a two storey detached dwelling.
APPROVED by 9 votes with 1 against and 2 abstentions. Development should be sensitive in view of neighbouring properties.
- 1.2 15/01664/TREE – 59 Allen Road, Ramsey – High pollard a previously badly pruned oak tree.
Unanimously **APPROVED** with the District’s tree officer’s consent.
- 1.3 15/01675/HHFUL – 83 Great Whyte, Ramsey – Installation of external wall insulation to the front, side and rear elevations. **APPROVED** by 11 votes with 1 abstention. Does not substantially alter the property’s character.
- 163 **Working Party Reports and Recommendations:**
Amenities, Highways and Leisure W/P 24 Sept - Noted
Finance W/P 28 Sept – Noted, working party budgets to be presented for the November meeting.
Cemetery W/P 28 Sept - Noted
- 164 **Attendances at Meetings and Organisations:**
Cllr Curtis had met with Sgt. Street. Overall crime figures down 23% year on year.
- 165 **Town Mayor’s & Town Clerks Correspondence**
- Speeding issues in Wood Lane, Ramsey following a letter received from residents – Cllrs were currently considering measures for Mereside. Wood Lane to be looked at next
 - Police response to proposed extension to 30mph speed restriction – Wood Lane, Ramsey. To be discussed at AH&L w/party meeting.
 - Tree risk assessment survey and report – To be discussed at Finance w/party meeting.
 - Invitation to all Councillors to attend the Royal British Legion (Ramsey and District Branch) Remembrance Service and Parade on 8th November, starting at 2.30pm at the War Memorial followed by a service at Thomas a Becket Church. Noted.

- 166 **Financial Matters** – The following direct debits, standing orders and cheques were approved by 11 votes with 1 abstention.
Direct Debits/Standing Orders

Date	Payee	Amount
01-Sep	Abbots Ripton Farm	Office rent 416.66
14-Sep	PWLB	Cemetery loan 5150.50
15-Sep	HDC	Cemetery rates 185.00
15-Sep	HDC	Office rates 187.00
15-Sep	HDC	Toilet rates 130.00

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18-Sep	British Gas	Office gas	232.00
21-Sep	Eon	Cemetery electric	13.00
23-Sep	BT	Office telephone	109.60
21-Sep	BT	Broadband address	1.60
Total		£	6425.36

Cheques

No.	Payee		Amount
105074	Abbey College	Hall hire	180.00
105075	Abbots Ripton Farming	Allotment rent	243.50
105076	L Butler	Civic service catering	550.00
105077	CPRE	Membership	36.00
105078	Eon	Fountain electric	69.85
105079	G Barker	Mole control	180.00
105080	Hereward Stationers	Toilet materials	180.89
105081	N Power	Office electric	139.38
105082	Roy Parker	Maintenance	822.25
105083	Ramsey Mereside Village Ass	Play equipment	2338.15
105084	Ramsey Neighbourhoods Trust	Youth club	965.00
105086	Siemens Financial Services	Copier lease	232.80
105087			1571.02
105088			497.03
105089			469.00
105090	Cash	Band cheque replacement	300.00
Total		£	8774.87

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Date of next meetings:

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TOWN MAYOR

DATE

Agenda Item 7

From: Carmen Riley [<mailto:Carmen.Riley@grantscape.org.uk>]
Sent: 06 November 2015 08:41
To: ramseytc
Cc: Matt Young
Subject: RE: REG Ramsey Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund

Dear Amanda,

That's great news that the town council fully supports this project.

Before we can issue a formal Grant Offer letter (contract) we ask that you provide written confirmation once you have secured the balance of the funds to complete the project.

Kind regards

Carmen Riley
Grants and Office Administrator
GrantScape
Direct Tel: 01908 247630



AGENDA ITEM 8

AMENITIES, HIGHWAYS & LEISURE WORKING PARTY MEETING HELD AT 7.45PM ON THURSDAY 22 October 2015 AT 7 CHURCH GREEN, RAMSEY

RECOMMENDATIONS

It was agreed to **RECOMMEND** that the Town Council does not fund the “keeping on” of the street lights for 2016/17, per the County Council’s proposals, by 4 votes with 1 against.

It was agreed to **RECOMMEND** purchasing a bench made of recycled materials.

Police Station, Ramsey nominated as a Community Asset – Agreed to **RECOMMEND** Town Council’s support.

PRESENT: Mrs A Costello (Mayor,) Mrs B Hepburn, J Palmer, P Reeve, I Walker (Chair) and Town Clerk.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs Mrs A Curtis (Deputy Mayor,) I Curtis, Ms L Duffy and H Edwards.

2. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

The minutes from 24 September 2015 were unanimously agreed.

3. MATTERS ARISING:

Street lighting – Clerk to clarify position again of Great Whyte due to night time economy.

It was agreed to **RECOMMEND** that the Town Council does not fund the “keeping on” of the street lights for 2016/17, per the County Council’s proposals, by 4 votes with 1 against.

Bench – The Clerk had received permission from Highways for the siting of the bench on Newtown Green. It was agreed to **RECOMMEND** purchasing a bench made of recycled materials.

4. CORRESPONDENCE:

Speeding issues Bodsey Bridge – to write to County Council with concerns.

“Things to do in Ramsey” – the meeting felt that this was reference again to the issue of a skate park and to redirect to Ramsey Million.

Update re Crunch Youth Club – Noted.

Cllr Mrs A Costello left the meeting.

5. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

HDC Maintenance Contract – Cllr Palmer outlined his meeting with the District and was continuing to monitor for the time being.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

30mph Speed Limit, Wood Lane – To ascertain number of times the Camp is in use.

Police Station, Ramsey nominated as a Community Asset – Agreed to **RECOMMEND** Town Council’s support.

Mereside Play Equipment – sourcing cost of replacing weather boarding work would have to be undertaken in the Spring.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 26 November 2015, 8pm.

Agenda Item 8

FINANCE WORKING PARTY MEETING HELD ON **Monday 26 October 2015 @ 7.00 P.M.** AT 7 CHURCH GREEN, RAMSEY

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Mereside Village Association Annual over 60's Xmas Dinner – To **RECOMMEND** a donation of £210.
Ramsey Senior Citizens Xmas Dinner – To **RECOMMEND** a donation of £210.
Pondersbridge churchyard – To **RECOMMEND** a donation of £350 for maintenance. Bench repair at family's expense.
To **RECOMMEND** tree survey be undertaken by Lockhart-Garratt at a cost of £1,100.
To **RECOMMEND** the structural survey of the Mortuary Chapel at a cost of £350.

PRESENT: Cllrs J Clarke, Mrs. A. Costello (Mayor,) I Curtis, L Duffy, A Lavender (Chair,) D McIlwain, J Palmer and Town Clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllrs Mrs. A Curtis and P Reeve
2. **MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: 28 September 2015** – Agreed unanimously
3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:** Molly Dancing c/fwd.
4. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
Mereside Village Association Annual over 60's Xmas Dinner – To **RECOMMEND** a donation of £210.

Ramsey Senior Citizens Xmas Dinner – To **RECOMMEND** a donation of £210.

Pondersbridge churchyard – To **RECOMMEND** a donation of £350 for maintenance. Bench repair at family's expense.
5. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:** None.
6. **BANK RECONCILIATION FIGURES September 2015:** Received and noted.
7. **FINANCIAL BUDGET COMPARISON 01/04/15 – 30/09/15:** Received and noted.
8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**
To **RECOMMEND** tree survey be undertaken by Lockhart-Garratt at a cost of £1,100.

To **RECOMMEND** the structural survey of the Mortuary Chapel at a cost of £350.

Cllr Palmer is monitoring the work undertaken by the District Council under its service level agreement as reported at AH&L W/P.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 30 November 7.00 p.m.

Agenda Item 8

**CEMETERY WORKING PARTY MEETING HELD ON Monday
26 October 2015, 6.30pm AT 7 CHURCH GREEN, RAMSEY.**

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Clerk has received a quote of £350 to undertake the survey of the Mortuary Chapel. Agreed to **RECOMMEND**

PRESENT: Cllrs Mrs A Costello (Mayor,) L Duffy, H Edwards,
Mrs B Hepburn, Mrs S Reeve and Town Clerk.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllrs P Boost, R Brown, Mrs A Curtis and P Reeve.

2. **MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING 28 September 2015:**
Agreed as a true record.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:**
Structural Survey of Mortuary Building – The Clerk has received a quote of £350 to undertake the survey. Agreed to **RECOMMEND**.

Parish planting – Clerk tabled response from Tree Warden Co-ordinator.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
None

5. **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**
None

6. **AOB:**
To review cemetery regulations and prices at January 2016 meeting.

Clerk had been made aware that the Rural Museum had the bell which used to be housed in the Mortuary Chapel.

7. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Monday 30 November 2015 at 6.30pm.