

# Ruspidge & Soudley Parish Council

## MINUTES of the MEETING

**held in the Soudley Hall on the 13th February, 2018**

*(These minutes remain in draft form until approved at the next meeting of the Council)*

### Parish Councillors Present:

B. Acland, Chairman  
Cllrs. C. Richardson, C. Hawkins,  
S. Phelps, T. Matthews & B. Rhodes.

### County Councillor Present:

G. Morgan.

### District Councillor Present:

B. O'Neill & D. Hawthorne.

The Clerk - Mrs. Helen Hook.

### Apologies:

Cllrs. Ms. N. Packer, J. Stanford, R. Boyles.

### Public:

5 members of the public were present.

### **Standing Declarations of Interest**

- (a) Dean Heritage Museum Trust - Insignificant personal interest by Cllrs. Packer & Phelps.
- (b) Soudley Village Hall Committee - Insignificant personal interest by Cllrs. Hawkins & Stanford.
- (c) Great Oaks Hospice - Insignificant personal interest by Cllr. Hawkins.
- (d) Ruspidge Memorial Hall - Insignificant personal interest by Cllr. Matthews.
- (e) Forest Voluntary Action Forum - Insignificant personal interest by Cllrs. Phelps and Rhodes.

## **Public Participation**

1. P.0011/18/OUT, O/A for 22 dwellings, land at Ruspidge Road, GL14 3AW.  
Concern was raised regarding:
  - contamination of the site from previous usage.
  - site too small for 22 dwellings.
  - insufficient resident parking spaces and overspill parking.
  - no room for extending properties, therefore, transient population.
  - no affordable housing.
  - adoption of roads for winter maintenance.

## **RUSPIDGE WELFARE TRUST**

Members' were mindful that these items were considered and determined as trustees to the RWT.

1. Football Field - still awaiting confirmation of site visit.
  2. Japanese/Himalayan Knotweed, Ruspidge Recreation Field - Members' **AGREED** the quote for treatment late August when the plant is weakest. (As per contractor's recommendations.)
2. **MINUTES** - The Minutes of the Council meeting held on the 9th January, 2018 were **ACCEPTED** as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.
  - 2.1 **MATTERS ARISING** from the Minutes.
    - Bevans Rise, Soudley - request update from Cllr. Boyles.
    - Mailchimp - Cllr. Phelps to liaise with the Clerk
    - Replacement Grit Storage Bins - Clerk to forward details to Cllrs. for their consideration.
  - 2.2 **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT**
    - ♦ Planning applications Top Road, Soudley, date for committee not yet known.
    - ♦ Budget meeting.
    - ♦ Town and Parish Councils Liaison meeting.

### 2.3 **COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**

- ♦ G.C.C. Budget - report fwded to Cllrs.
- ♦ Highways contract - 5 submissions.
- ♦ Sneydwood Road Estate meeting - Cllr. Packer to liaise with Cllr. Morgan.

2.4 Community Worker Report - Council received the report, questions were raised and answered. The links to the Ruspidge and Soudley Community events website and the Community Facebook page will be forwarded to Council.

2.5 **PLANNING** – Completed Schedule is attached as an Appendix to these Minutes.

### **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

2.6 Council **APPROVED** and **ACCEPTED** the contract with FVAF regarding service and support for the Community Worker.

2.7 Following report by the Treasurer the Council **APPROVED** the accounts presented for payment totalling £4,619.67, this figure being inclusive of confidential expenditure.

2.8 Council received, with regret, the resignation of Cllr. Hawkins, effective from the end of March. The Chairman, on behalf of the council and electorate, thanked him for his service to the council and the community.  
Cllr. Hawkins is also the Parish Treasurer and the Clerk (Responsible Financial Officer), thanked him for the support he had given in this role.

2.9 Co-option - Following the resignation of Cllr. Hawkins, the vacancy will be advertised at the earliest convenience, with female applicants being encouraged to apply.

2.10 First Aid Course - Council **RESOLVED** not to hold a retraining course.

2.11 Grant Requests - Under Section 137 of the LGA 1972 the Council **APPROVED** a grant to the Digital Inclusion Group, Soudley for £209.20.

2.12 Street Cleaning - Council were advised that the FODDC have agreed to purchase a trolley for the street cleaner.

2.13 Financial Regulations, Risk Assessment & Standing Orders - were reviewed by Council and re-adopted without amendment.

2.14 Emergency Plan - The updated plan to be forwarded to all members'.

2.15 Forest Edge Litter Pick - Cllr. Phelps to liaise with the Forestry Commission.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

2.16 The Council **RECEIVED** and **NOTED** the following correspondence:

- a) GCC Highways - A40 Over Roundabout improvements.
- b) LBGC - FODDC Electoral Boundary final recommendations.
- c) Brain tumour research - fwded to pcs.

2.17 **Next Meeting** - The next meeting of the Council is to be held in the **Ruspidge Hall** at 7.00pm **Tuesday, 13th March, 2018.**  
**The agenda deadline is Monday, 5th March, 2018.**

2.18 **Exclusion of the Press and the Public** - The Council **RESOLVED** that for any remaining business of a confidential nature the press and the public should be excluded from the meeting in accordance with Standing Order (2017) No. 55.

2.19 The meeting continued under confidential business, with the 9th January, 2018 Confidential Minutes being **ACCEPTED** as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman. The meeting closed at 9.07 pm.

Signed: ..... Chair. Dated: .....

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**Planning Schedule** for the February, 2018 meeting

Planning Reference, Site Address & Detail

Parish  
Comment  
No obj.

P0028/18/FUL

**Land At St Whites Road, (Edmunds Way), Plots 15, 16 & 17, Cinderford.**

Variation of condition 02 (approved plans) to allow repositioning of front and rear doors (plots 15, 16, 17) and repositioning of windows in plot 17 of planning permission P0678/13/FUL.

**Further revision of description of works:**

No obj.

Variation of condition 02 (approved plans) for internal alterations to ground and first floor layout to allow the repositioning of front and rear windows and doors (plots 15, 16, 17) and repositioning of windows in plot 15 of planning permission P0678/13/FUL.

P0011/18/OUT

Obs.

**Land At, Ruspidge Road, Ruspidge, GL14 3AW.**

Outline Application for the erection of 22 no dwellings with associated works. Construction of new vehicular access.

P0100/18/FUL

No obj.

**Land To The Rear Of 8A Ruspidge Road, Ruspidge.**

Erection of 2 three bedroom semi-detached dwellings with associated works. Construction of new vehicular access.

P0164/18/OUT

No obj.

**9 Hewlett Way, Ruspidge, Cinderford, Gloucestershire.**

Outline application for the erection of one dwelling and associated works. (All matters reserved). (Revised Scheme).

## Decisions notified by the Planning Authority

Planning Reference, Site Address & Detail

Parish  
Comment      District  
Decision

P0102/17/DISCON

No obj.

GRANTED

**The Bungalow, Sutton Baynham, Sutton Road, Littledean.**

P1735/17/FUL

No obj.

GRANTED

**Rock House, Lower Road, Soudley, Cinderford.**

P1122/17/OUT      8 houses - canteen site

Obj. & Obs.

REFUSED

**Former St Whites Primary School, St Whites Road, Cinderford.**

P1240/17/FUL      5 houses - main site

Obj. & Obs.

REFUSED

**Former St Whites Primary School, St Whites Road, Cinderford. GL14 3DH.**

P1894/17/FUL

No obj.

GRANTED

**Wood Cottage, 95 Ruspidge Road, Ruspidge, Cinderford.**

P1948/17/FUL

No obj.

GRANTED

**120A Ruspidge Road, Ruspidge, Cinderford, Gloucestershire.**

P2001/17/FUL

No obj.

GRANTED

**5 Bells Place, Ruspidge, Cinderford, Gloucestershire.**

Signed: ..... Dated: .....