

MINUTES OF RIMINGTON & MIDDOP PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 01 DECEMBER 2021  
AT 7.30 PM IN THE PAVILION, RIMINGTON

Present: Tony Perry (Chair), Ian Brown, Jacqui Lynch, Stan Fitzgerald,  
Borough Cllr Richard Sherras, Clerk and one member of the public

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

David Briscoe, Rosemary Duckworth, Keith Pilkington

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 20 OCTOBER 2021

The Minutes of the meeting of 20 October 2021 were accepted as a true record of proceedings and signed by the Chair.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Stan Fitzgerald declared an interest in Item 9, Grants and donations.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was reported that there were some bad potholes on Back Lane and Station Road. Borough Cllr Sherras advised that he had reported those on Station Road and would report the large pothole on Back Lane. Borough Cllr Sherras stressed that any resident could report problems with the highways online via the Report It system. It was further noted that water on the road near Smithies Bridge continued to be a problem and could be dangerous if it turned to ice.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Yorkshire Bank £11,177

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

None

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND MATTERS

None

SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES (SpIDs) AND ROAD SAFETY MATTERS

It was noted that the SpID was working properly again. Although the device had a minimum speed it would show it was not known if there was a maximum speed. The issues regarding HGVs unloading on Newby Lane at the bend were again discussed and an update provided by the Chair. It was agreed that the matter should be brought to the attention of the local police to see if they could discuss the matter with the people concerned.

#### PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY (“PROWS”) AND PARISH LENGTHSMAN

The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council would be receiving a £500 grant from LCC towards work on PROWs. The Clerk agreed to speak to the administrator of the Pendle Lengthsman Scheme regarding the money which remained in the Scheme from a previous year.

#### PARISH COUNCIL GRANTS AND DONATIONS

It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting as it was explained there could be problems with the meeting being quorate due to certain Councillors having to declare an interest in the Agenda item. The Clerk advised that RVBC Legal could issue a dispensation allowing discussion in certain circumstances when there were issues with a quorum.

#### RVBC TRAINING

The Clerk advised that she and Councillors Briscoe and Fitzgerald had attended the RVBC Code of Conduct training on 30 November 2021. As a result of the adoption of the new Code RVBC had revised the Register of Interests forms so all Councillors would be required to complete a new form.

#### BOROUGH COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

Borough Cllr Sherras advised the meeting of the work of the Rural Services Network. There was also discussion regarding the road diversion in place due to the notification of the weak bridge.

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk advised that RVBC were to issue grants to parish councils intending to hold a celebratory event for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee in 2022. It was agreed that a grant should be applied for.

It had been agreed that the venue for parish council meetings should be alternated between the pavilion and the Institute. It was alternatively suggested that meetings in the colder months be held in the pavilion with those in the summer months being held at the Institute and this was agreed.

#### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 09 February 2022 in the pavilion