

Randwick and Westrip Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held at Randwick Village Hall at 7.15 pm on Thursday September 16th 2021.

Present

Councillors

*Rob Davies (Chairman)
Matt Reed
Debbi Smith
Richard Huxford*

*Elisabeth Newman
Alun Davies
Mike Woods*

Clerk: Mr B Parsons.

*1/9/21 **Apologies:** County Cllr Susan Williams, District Cllr Jon Edmunds.*

*2/9/21 **Public Forum:** Three members of the public were present including County Cllr John Bloxsom.*

A parishioner reported that a lamp post on the lagger from the bottom of Chapel Fields up to The Lane had been removed.

***Action:** The Clerk to ask GCC to replace the post and light.*

*3/9/21 **Declarations of interest in items on this agenda:** None.*

*4/9/21 **Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on August 19th were approved and signed by the Chairman.*

*5/9/21 **Report from the Officer of the Council:** Cllrs noted the contents of the Clerk's report.*

***Actions:** The Clerk to find a supplier for a strawberry tree for planting at Finn's Way, to buy a wreath for Remembrance Day and send out grant evaluation forms.*

*6/9/21 **Correspondence:** Cllrs noted the correspondence listed in the Clerk's Report.*

*7/9/21 **Questions from councillors:***

Cllr Reed asked the Clerk to report a footpath to GCC which was becoming impassable due to overgrown hedges.

Cllr Huxford asked whether he could have the Far Westrip Residents Association's noticeboard when it was replaced at Far Westrip. Cllrs agreed.

Cllr Newman asked the Clerk to report problems at Sugars Hole to GCC again.

*8/9/21 **District and County Councillors' reports:** County Cllr John Bloxsom spoke about recent County Council business:*

- GCC had objected to central government's proposed reforms to the planning system*
- Resettlement in the county of refugees from Afghanistan*
- Highways work to repair potholes etc*

- *Pilot projects to introduce 20mph zones and use other approaches to reduce speeds on the roads*
- *'Build Back Better - Councillor Scheme Grants for community groups and parish councils, which amounted to £40,000 over four years for his county council division*
- *Changes to bus service timetables and cancellations of services.*
- *District Cllr Jon Edmunds and County Cllr Susan Williams had sent written reports.*

9/9/21 Co-option: *No applications had been received.*

Action: *The Clerk to readvertise the vacancies.*

10/9/21 Training for defibrillators: *Cllrs hoped that a volunteer from the Severn Area Rescue Association could offer a face-to-face training session for anyone interested. If that weren't possible the council would arrange a session delivered by Community Heartbeat. The council intended to make a list of volunteer responders who lived near the Carpenters Arms. Cllrs decided to put information about the defibrillator at the Carpenters Arms in the noticeboards at Far Westrip and Randwick Scout HQ and in the community noticeboard in The Martins.*

Resolved: *To buy another set of spare pads for the defibrillator.*

11/9/21 Planning applications:

a) Applications received to date:

S.21/2091/TCA – Conifers, The Lane - T1 Sycamore - Crown reduce in height and spread by 2 meters – no comment.

S.21/HHOLD -Heatherville, Church Road – proposed landscaping to include levelled lawn, patio area, swimming pool and pool house – no comment.

S.21/2135/VAR - Land At Somerdale Townsend - Variation of conditions 2 (Approved Plans) and 14 (No additional fenestration) from permission

S.20/0366/FUL – no comment.

Noted:

Permission - S.21/1669/HHOLD Erection of side and rear extensions Robin Hill Ash Lane GL6 6EX

Permission - S.21/1926/HHOLD – 11 Hawthorn Rise – garage conversion

12/9/21 Environment:

a) Conservation Area Statement and Environmental Survey:

Cllr Alun Davies would prepare a brief for a conservation area appraisal for consideration by the council in October.

After discussion Cllrs confirmed that they would not engage consultants to carry out an environmental survey of the parish, due to the estimated cost.

b) Finn's Way: *The council had received a request to exchange part of a parishioner's garden for an area of Finn's Way. After discussing the issue, including the covenant on the land, the council decided to refuse the request.*

c) **Platinum Jubilee Trees:** The Chairman of RVH&PFC had agreed that the Committee would find suitable sites for two oak trees on Randwick Playing Field.

13/9/21 **Finance:**

a) **Bank reconciliation:** Cllrs considered the bank reconciliation for August.

b) **Quarterly review:** Cllrs considered the quarterly review. Spending was as planned.

c) **CIL funding:** The Council had received £595 which could be rolled over until 2024. Cllrs had no infrastructure projects planned currently. Cllr Huxford suggested installing kissing gates to replace stiles.

Action: The clerk to seek information from SDC about permitted uses of CIL funding.

14/9/21 **Items delegated to the Clerk and items for the next agenda:** As above.

15/9/21 **Orders for payment:**

Kimcell	Datacenta email hosting
M Lammas	September monthly contract payment
B Parsons	September salary less PAYE due in the 2nd quarter
HMRC	PAYE tax due in the second quarter
O2 estimate	mobile phone 12 Sept - 11 August

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm.