

Rivington AGM & Parish Council Meeting

Date: 13th June 2023 @ 18:00

Venue: Spring Cottage, Rivington

Ref: 23-126

Minutes

1. Present and Apologies

Present: Chairperson Cllr David Jones, Councillor Barry Keenan, Councillor Lisa Harris, Councillor Trevor James-Ellett

Clerk - Helen Skuce

Visitor - Mark Skuce (Resident)

Apologies: Councillor Vince McCully

2. Disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests

None

3. Updates from previous meeting

- i. Bank account update. Councillors James-Ellett and Harris confirmed online banking was now being utilised. Councillors James-Ellett, Harris and McCully all have access. It was suggested that all invoices will be sent to the Clerk who will process and forward relevant detail to one of the three approval Councillors above to action payment online. Once payment has been actioned Councillor will confirm to Clerk payment made. Clerk will then notify Payee.
Councillor Keenan raised strong objections that the Council only has one necessary signatory for payment online as opposed to the previous two signatories when payment was completed by cheque. Clerk to review other Parish Councils payment processes and feedback at next meeting.
Balance 13/06/23 of TSB account £8581.85
- ii. Parish events since last AGM:
Queens Jubilee Party
Christmas carols with brass band and mulled wine
Coronation Party
Spring Festival
Rivington Chapel open day
All received excellent feedback and residents enjoyed the opportunity to meet up
- iii. UU. No update or change from UU or RHT with regards to Traffic and Parking within Rivington. Unanimous decision from Councillors for Parish Council to move things forward for the benefit of the village. Councillor

- Keenan suggested two letters be sent from the Council to UU and RHT Head Office asking yet again for their progress. Clerk Skuce to action.
- iv. Traffic Systems Update. Councillor James-Ellett outlined the various options available to address the numerous traffic problems throughout Rivington. He asked all attendees to respond to his proposals stating which options they would prefer. All

4. New business

- i. Police contact. Councillor Harris and previous Clerk Walker attended a Heath Charnock Parish meeting and met with a SPSO Officer to understand issues/problems with traffic and anti-social behaviour in another Parish. The outcome was that all rural local areas seem to have the same problems with speeding, drink/drugs, loud music – basic anti-social behaviour. Feedback was that there had been 23 police incidents in Rivington since their last meeting.
Clerk Skuce to contact PCSO Lewis Dearey from Chorley to ask for a breakdown of the 23 incidents.
- ii. Village Green update. Two gardeners have been requested to look after the flower tubs on the Green and remove the two dilapidated planters. A tradesman has been identified to mend the stone walls around the Green. It was also agreed to remove any unwanted/unauthorised signs or banners from the village vicinity.
- iii. Dashcams provided to Councillors and Clerk to capture speeding and reckless behaviour in the village. Chairman Cllr Jones provided.

5. A.O.B.

- i. Chorley Community Infrastructure Levy. Councillor Keenan explained what the Infrastructure Levy was and how it should be used by the Parish. Speed bump cost was one suggestion of use however brief research suggests this would not be viable due to cost. All to feedback at next meeting any suggestions for use of money. Clerk Skuce to enquire whether there was an additional separate Levy on the barn that was converted at Moses Cocker Farm.
- ii. Contact to be made with June Molyneux and Kim Snape to inform of new Clerk to Rivington. Clerk Skuce to action.

6. Date of next meeting – 08/08/23 @ 18:00, Spring Cottage