



Minutes of Meeting of Rippingale Parish Council,  
Held 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2005 at Rippingale Village Hall.

Present:

Cllr M. Patrick, Chairman; Cllrs M. Morgan, P. Read, B. Flatters, D. Sankey & M. Exton.

In Attendance: Members of the Public (2).

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J. Bass, Members of the Press & P.C.S.O. G. Parrott.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

2.1 The Chairman declared potential interest in Planning Application 1452, Erection of dwelling, Poplar Farm, East Street.

3. **POLICE MATTERS**

3.1 D. Cllr Taylor reported that L.C.C. is to appoint 50 further P.C.S. Officers, who will have increased powers.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes of Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2005 were approved and signed. Minute Book is currently with Internal Auditor.

5. **MATTERS ARISING**

5.1. CPRE Vacancies: D. Cllr Taylor confirmed that these have been filled.

5.2 WAR MEMORIAL - nothing to report.

5.3 PLAYING FIELD EASEMENT. Clerk has notified solicitors of Councillors approval of Draft Deed of Transfer and requested confirmation of queries raised at meeting 27<sup>th</sup> October.

6. **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE & GRASS CUTTING**

6.1 Mr. Boyfield is working on the playing field hedge.

6.2 Complaint received of damage to Mr. Mrs. Macmillan's fence adjoining playing field. Cllr Read to monitor.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED** - List circulated with Agenda.

7.1 (South Holland District Council) "Consultation on SHDC Housing Strategy 2005 - 10" & "Statement of Community Involvement".

7.2 (LCC) "Winter Salting Routes" - copies to Post Office.

7.3 (E.Mids Regional Ass.) "Options for Change" - Review of E. Mids Regional Plan to 2026 - passed to Chairman.

7.4 (SKDC Environmental Health) "Water Supply Regulations, Report on Drinking Water Quality" - available from Anglian Water Services. Newsletter item.

7.5 (SKDC) "Local Area Assembly Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> November" - D. Cllr Taylor said that matters discussed would be raised at the Aveland Parishes Meeting, 15<sup>th</sup> November.

7.6 (Central Networks) "Win £2,500 for Christmas Lights" - Clerk to apply.

7.7 (Lincs. Ambulance Branch, UNISON) - "Save Lincolnshire Ambulances" request for support. Clerk to reply.

7.8 (Env. Agency) "Trade Exhibition, 24<sup>th</sup> November" - Cllr Flatters will be attending and will report back to Council.

7.9 (Standards Board) "Town & Parish Standards" - passed to Cllr Flatters.

7.10 (NALC) "Local Council Review", November 2005, passed to Cllr Read.

7.11(Lincs. Playing Fields Asscn) "Notice of AGM, 24<sup>th</sup> November".

7.12(LALC) "Clerks & Councils Direct, November 2005".

7.13 (SKDC) Standards Board Meeting - D. Cllr Taylor suggested that information relating to dispensation request where all Council members have interest in a matter, be retained on file.

8. VILLAGE DESIGN COMMITTEE - nothing to report.

## 9. FINANCE

### 9.1 Bills for Payment:

Royal British Legion, poppy wreath	£ 35.00
S.M. Scholes	£241.66
Fovia	£ 16.47
Anglian Water	£ 36.93
R. Beddington	£ 32.50
D. Harris	£ 15.60

9.2 The Council's account books are currently with the Internal Auditor, hence no monthly budget has been prepared.

9.3 Precept 2006 - 7 Draft Budget, previously circulated was discussed. It was agreed that a Precept of £12,000 be requested, to allow for an inflationary increase. (Proposed by Chairman, seconded by Cllr D. Sankey).

## 10. PLANNING

10.1 (1327) Erection of Bungalow, 2 Wendover Close - nothing to report.

10.2 (1452) Erection of Dwelling, Poplar Farm, East Street.

10.2.1. The Chairman declared an interest in the application as the proposed dwelling adjoined his own property.

10.2.2. After discussion, it was agreed that there was no objection to the application.

10.3 (1467) Dwelling & garage, 75 Station Street. After discussion, it was agreed that there was no objection to the application.

10.4 "Issues & Options for the future of S.K." – Acknowledgement received from SKDC to Council's reply to recent questionnaire. Formal consultation on first draft is expected to take place next spring.

## 11. **DISTRICT & COUNCIL BUSINESS.**

11.1 Creation of Leisure Trust (S.K.D.C.) – D. Cllr Taylor advised that this would not mean change in running or maintenance of Leisure services, but would result in a net saving on Business Rates to the District Council. He recommended the proposal to the Parish Council.

11.2 Transfer of Housing Stock – D. Cllr Taylor advised that this was an on-going debate.

11.3 Highways – D. Cllr Taylor reported that LCC Highways acknowledge that their annual spending (£32m) is inadequate and that £40m p.a. is required to maintain Lincolnshire roads. It is hoped that country roads will receive more attention.

11.4 Aveland Parishes Meeting, 15<sup>th</sup> November – Chairman and Cllr B. Flatters to attend.

## 12. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

12.1 Construction of Properties, bottom Dovecote Estate by De Montford Housing Society on behalf of SKDC. Mrs. Clarke advised that she has been requested and agreed to relinquish right of access by SKDC. After discussion, it was agreed that:

- a) problem of access whilst contractors are on site would be addressed informally. Cllr Read to request site meeting with contractor and residents.
- b) the future status of existing footpath to Station Street to be confirmed by Clerk writing to LCC Highways.

## 13. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

13.1 Kime's Coaches. Cllr Flatters reported near accident and damage to trees in Station Street caused by two Kimes double-decker buses using route to leave village. Clerk to contact Kimes and remind that this is not a bus route.

13.2 Caravan Parking, Station Street. Cllr Sankey reported complaint received of caravan parking on road. Situation to be monitored.

13.3 Street Lights. Cllr Read reported light still not working at Millers Close and light permanently on in Doctor's Lane. Cllr Patrick to report.

13.4 Wendover Close construction work. Cllr Exton reported damage to pavements. Clerk to advise LCC so that Contractor is required to reinstate the footpaths.

**13.5 Best Kept Village Competition.** The Chairman requested support to enter Rippingale in the competition 2006. It was agreed that an initial notice be put in the Newsletter, to be followed up in January 2006 by personal request from Chairman to all residents and local groups for support.

#### **13.6 Hospital Car Service**

**13.6.1** Clerk has received letter of resignation from Mr. R. Beddington. It was agreed that Mr. Beddington be thanked by letter for his many years of service as HCS Coordinator. Ms L. Broddle to be asked to take over this position.

**13.6.2** Disabled Parking Permit - Clerk to apply on behalf of H.C.S.

**13.7** Cllr J. Bass - Clerk to contact Cllr Bass and clarify resignation procedure as directed by D. Cllr Taylor.

**13.8 Allotments -** Letter received from newly-formed "Rippingale Allotment Group" requesting further confirmation of arrangements. Letter to be copied for Cllr P. Read who will meet with Allotment Group as requested.

#### **14. DATE OF 2006 MEETINGS**

Cllr Read to confirm Village Hall availability before the 2006 dates below are agreed. All meetings to be held on Thursdays, 7.30p.m., The Village Hall.

January	13 <sup>th</sup>	February	9 <sup>th</sup>	March	9 <sup>th</sup>
April	6 <sup>th</sup>	May	11 <sup>th</sup>	June	8 <sup>th</sup>
July	6 <sup>th</sup>	September	7 <sup>th</sup>	October	5 <sup>th</sup>
November	9 <sup>th</sup> .				

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

Sheila Scholes,  
Clerk to the Council,  
15<sup>th</sup> November, 2005.

Subsequent Meeting Dates 2005  
No meeting in December.