



**NOTES of the Annual General Meeting of Rippingale Parish Council,
Held on 19th May, 2016 7.55p.m., at Rippingale Village Hall.**

Present:

Cllrs Mrs. B. Machin (Chairman), Mrs. E. Field-Lucas, S.Goode.

In Attendance: Mrs. S. Scholes (Clerk), C. Cllr M. Hill, M.B.E., Mr. Shaun Charlton and Members of the Public (4).

The interval following the Annual Parish Meeting having concluded, the Chairman opened the Council Meeting at 7.55p.m.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

090. Cllr S. Goode proposed, and Cllr Mrs. E. Field-Lucas seconded the proposal that Cllr Mrs. B. Machin be re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council. In the absence of any further nominations, Cllr Mrs. B. Machin was *unanimously elected*. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was duly signed.

2. CO-OPTION OF A COUNCIL MEMBER

091 ***IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT*** Mr. Shaun Charlton be co-opted as a Council Member to fill the Casual Vacancy arising following the resignation of Cllr Mike Hallas. The Resolution was carried.

092 Mr. Charlton signed a Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was welcomed by all councillors. An information pack including a Register of Interests for completion and return to S.K.D.C. was supplied,

093 ***IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT*** following the resignation of Cllr James Latham and in the absence of an election request, the Parish Council will seek to Co-opt a council member.

094 The Clerk was requested to write to Cllr J. Latham thanking him for his support and ongoing involvement with village matters.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

095. Apologies, with reasons, have been received from Cllrs M. Exton and B. Cook. The Attendance Register was completed.

4. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011, AND TO CONSIDER ANY REQUEST FOR DISPENSATIONS IN RESPECT OF DPIS.

096 Cllr S. Charlton Declared an Interest as an Allotment tenant. This was noted for subsequent Council meetings.

5. TO APPOINT A VICE-CHAIRMAN AND PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

5.1 Vice-Chairman.

097 Cllr Mike Exton to be asked to serve as Vice-Chairman.

5.2 Representatives on Local Organisations/Outside Bodies:

098 5.2.1 Bourne & Billingborough Neighbourhood Police Panel – Cllr S. Goode

099 5.2.2 Rippingale Feast Organising Group – Cllr B. Machin

100 5.2.3 Rippingale Village Hall Management Committee –Mr. J.M. Hallas, ex-officio, to conclude outstanding work with VHMC Committee. Mr. Hallas to report to Council.

101 5.2.4 Aveland Parishes Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr E. Field-Lucas.

102 5.2.5 St Andrew's Parochial Church Council – Cllr M. Exton

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103 5.2.5 Row Gardens Allotments Group – Cllr B. Cook.

104 **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT** the above would be asked/will serve as the Council's representatives for the forthcoming year. Clerk to seek permissions and notify organisations.

6. TO APPROVE AS MINUTES THE NOTES OF MEETINGS 10th March, 2016.

105 **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT** the Notes of the meeting 10th March 2016 be approved as Minutes.

7. TO APPROVE AND ADOPT (En Bloc):-

7.1 The Standing Orders for Rippingale Parish Council

7.2 The Financial Regulations for Rippingale Parish Council

7.3 The Council's Aims and Objectives (Risk Assessment) and note that review was completed in 2015.

7.4 Council Procedures and Policies as indexed.

106 **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT** the above policies and procedures are adopted by Rippingale Parish Council for the forthcoming year.

8. TO REVIEW THE COUNCIL ASSET REGISTER

107 **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT** the Register, previously circulated, is a true record of the Council's Assets.

9 FINANCIAL MATTERS.

9.1 Annual Statement of Governance 31.03.2016

108 The Chairman read the Annual Statement of Governance: **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT** the Statement is approved and will be submitted to the External Auditor.

9.2 Council Banking Arrangements.

109 Cllr Goode was thanked for his report on alternative banking providers which was noted. **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT** the Parish Council will transfer its accounts to NatWest Bank. Clerk to implement the transfer.

9.3 Statement of Payments & Receipts 1st April – 10th May, 2016.

110 The Statement was noted.

10. TO RECEIVE ANY URGENT REPORTS FROM MEMBERS.

111 C. Cllr M. Hill, M.B.E. was invited to speak. He advised that as part of a further £40m saving required street lighting is under review. Rippingale Parish Council is aware of L.C.C. reductions in grass cutting. The County Council will be in consultation regarding national government proposal to create a Mayor of Lincolnshire.

112 **10.1 Correspondence April – May 2016.** The Correspondence List was noted.

113 **10.2 Planning Results and Decisions as at 3rd May, 2016.** The Planning summary was noted.

11. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

114 **Council Insurance Policy.** The report and recommendations from Cllr B. Cook were noted and **IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED THAT** insurance be renewed as recommended .

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115 **JPF Hedging Work** - Council's contractor to be invited to Working Group Meeting to discuss informally proposals for the project.

116 **Additional Street Light** – for discussion at Working Group Meeting with reference to revised LCC arrangements.

117 12 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

16th June, 7.30p.m., Village Hall – Working Group meeting.

15th July 10.00a.m. – 12.00noon – Open Office, The Bull. Cllr E. Field-Lucas to attend with Clerk.

21st July, 7.30p.m. Open Forum and Full Council Meeting.

118 There being no further business, the Chairman closed the A.G.M. at 8.10p.m. and invited members of the public to speak if they wished.

POST MEETING FORUM:

PMF1 – Rubbish in garden/yard of former shop, Middle Street. This was noted but as is on private property not within the remit of the Parish Council to take action.

There being no further comments from members of the Public, the Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15p.m.



S.M. Scholes,
29.05.16