# MINUTES OF QUENDON & RICKLING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 AT 7.30 PM.

Present: Sally Kitcat (Chairman) – (SK)

Paul Wilsher - (PW) Ele Stoneham – (ES) Andrew Thomson – (AT)

Keith Williams (Parish Clerk)

Tessa Deriziotis (TD) - Volunteer Uttlesford

#### 225. Declarations of Interest

None

#### 226. Apologies and Reason for Absence

Brandon Chapman - (BC) Holiday Tony Jones – (TJ) Holiday

# 227. Minutes of the last meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018 (already circulated)

The minutes of the last meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May were agreed as a true and accurate record with no amendments, and duly signed by the Chairman.

## 228. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2018

ES is currently researching charity and donation policies

#### 229. Public participation

None

#### 230. Finance

- Account balances (already circulated).
  Noted.
- b. Invoices and payments for approval (already circulated).

# FINANCE REPORT for MEETING 13/06/18

Balance b/f @ 15/05/18		25,473.99	
Zurich Insurance	995	683.53	Insurance renewal (already paid)
Citizens Advice Uttlesford	996	200.00	Donation (already paid)
Balance @ 31/05/18		24590.46	

# [028/2018]

Payee	Chq No	Amount	Reason
Yvonne Morton	997	50.00	Internal audit
Hilbery Turf	998	270.00	Grass cutting May
Sally Kitcat	999	99.60	Leaving gif
Keith Williams	1000	322.82	Salary for June
D B Gowlett	1001	300.00	Signpost finials
Defibshop (Keith Williams)	1002	104.40	Defibrillator pads
eon	DD	47.22	Electricity for May
Total Payments		1,194.04	
Balance c/f @ 13/06/18		23,396.42	

#### 231. Correspondence

A letter from Citizens Advice Uttlesford has been received thanking the council for it's donation.

#### 232. Lease for football ground

SK advised that the parish council will be the only name on the lease, which when granted will be for a period of 20 years. There is no current income and suggestions were invited for revenue-raising activities.

To save money in the short term the electricity and water supplies could be discontinued and then reinstated when required.

AT will look at possible grants which may be available for renovation of the site.

## 233. Neighbourhood Plan

The exhibition took place at the village hall.

## 234. Playground Area

The parish council believed that the land had been offered to the council by the land-owner. Cala maintain that they were not aware of any understanding and had told potential house purchasers that the land would be transferred to, and maintained by, a management company. They feel that they cannot now go back on this undertaking.

ES said that it was important to establish who is the actual owner of the land. PW will contact UDC and, via a freedom of information request, try to ascertain the owner's details.

Eventually a covenant will ensure that the land is available for community use for 80 years.

#### [029/2018]

#### 235. Updates

#### a) Street Lighting

PW has spoken to some residents at the north end of the village and reported that there was no great enthusiasm for lighting in that area.

ES confirmed that Coney Acre residents do want lighting. ES suggested that one sample light unit be purchased to show to residents for their approval. Chris Phillips will be asked to source the light. The parish council approved the purchase.

#### 236. Time Bank Uttlesford information

Tessa Deriziotis of Volunteer Uttlesford made a presentation to the council of the Time Bank initiative being promoted by UDC and other parts of Essex. Time Bank connects residents who have registered with the organisation and who have indicated that they would offer certain skills on a voluntary basis. For each hour of subsequent voluntary work the volunteer would receive a time credit which can then be used to employ other registered volunteers for their own requirements.

Currently there are approximately 350 volunteers registered in Uttlesford

#### 237. Planning applications

# a) UTT/18/1397/HHF - Pebbles 4 Greys Hollow. Proposed first floor extension and internal alterations.

No objections.

#### b) Updates on previous planning applications

UTT/18/0937/HHF – Broom Wood Cottage.

Application approved.

#### 238. Completion of Annual Governance Statement – section 2

This was approved and duly signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer.

#### 239. Quendon footbridge

Highways, via Strutt and Parker, has not approved the construction of a footbridge over the stream. SK will continue to press the matter.

#### [030/2018]

#### 240. Volunteer Uttlesford

Subject to a donation being within the precept budget, the parish council agreed a donation of £150.

# 241. Projects and responsibilities

ES to be allocated Footpaths.

AT to be allocated Traffic and Defibrillator.

# 242. Line Painting

Councillors have not received any comments from residents regarding the new white lines.

# 243. Rickling England Day

This year's event will be on 1st July.

# 244. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018.

# 245. Closure of meeting

There being no further items to be discussed, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.10.

# [031/2018]