

**MINUTES OF QUENDON & RICKLING PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10th April 2024 AT 7.30 PM.**

Present: Tom Duncan – (TDN) Chairman
Gari Spearpoint - (GS) -
Sue Joannou - (SJ)
Philip Sowter – (PS)
Caroline Mackrill – (CM)

Keith Williams (KW)-Parish Clerk
2 members of the public

1457. Declarations of Interest

SJ in respect of agenda item 13.

1458. Apologies for Absence

None

1459. Minutes of the last meeting held on 13th March 2024 (already circulated)

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chairman.

1460. Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting on 13th March 2024

1442-2 Quotes are awaited.
1443 SJ has met with the head teacher.
1446-2 No progress yet on the maps update.

1461. Co-option of parish councillor

As the applicant was unable to attend this meeting it was decided to defer the co-option to the May meeting.

1462. Public participation session

The footpaths across some farm fields have not yet been sprayed.

1463. Correspondence

- PS has indicated his intention to resign after this meeting. The parish clerk to advise UDC.
- UDC have advised that their enforcement team has closed the enquiry regarding 8 Snowdrop Road, which does not require planning approval.
- A communication has been received wondering when the pond maintenance would commence.
- There has been minimal take up so far on the Neighbourhood Plan consultation.

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1464. Planning

There were no planning applications to consider.

1465. Village projects

The Village Hall committee had met that afternoon to consider the parish council's response to the committee's grant enquiry. The parish clerk will write to Sonia Michaelides enclosing the Grants and Donations policy form. The council has indicated that it is quite happy to receive a grant application.

1466. Finance

a. Accounts balances (already circulated).

Noted.

b. Invoices and payments for approval.

The payments were approved.

FINANCE REPORT for MARCH 2024

Balance b/f @ 29/02/2024

16751.08

Payments to be authorised for March 2024

Payee	Chq No	Amount	Reason
Npower	dd	104.29	Electricity for February 2024
CPRE	already paid	48.00	Membership renewal
Local Toilet Hire	already paid	132.00	Football toilet hire
James Penrose	already paid	230.00	Grass cutting Narch
Greenwillows Associates	already paid	438.00	Pond inspection
Payroo	online	6.00	Payroll expenses
Ted Crow	online	114.84	Grassline paint
Keith Williams	online	414.46	Salary for March 2024
HMRC (Keith Williams)	online	103.80	PAYE for March 2024
Ted Crow	online	130.00	Matchday preparations
Ted Crow	online	195.00	Allocation payments
Service charge	dd	18.00	Bank service charge
Total Payments for March 2024		1934.39	
Football Pitch income		0.00	
Precept		5425.00	
Marquee hire		50.00	

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Balances at 31/03/2024	Current A/C	20291.69
	Savings A/C	20000.00

Total c/f at 31/03/2024 40291.69

Please note: The payment to HMRC and was made by the parish clerk and is being reimbursed.

1467. Events

Due to the low numbers of current parish councillors it is felt that it is too difficult to organise and maintain the usual number of village events. The number of events will therefore regretfully have to be reduced. It is confirmed that Autumn Daze will proceed as normal.

1468. Speedwatch

GS advised that the area Speedwatch Co-ordinator wishes to carry out a joint visible presence with the village Speedwatch team on the 10th May. GS will arrange this.

There is concern that the speed recorder may not be accurate. It is therefore proposed that the recorder be tested.

1469. Pegasi development

a) Update

The exhibition took place in March. Pegasi has put together a public consultation website, inviting views from residents. It appears that some residents are apparently unaware of the present position.

Councillors are planning a fact-finding operation with Keep Clavering Rural.

b) Discuss engagement of Planning consultant

Newport have been asked if the planning consultant they have retained would be prepared to represent Quendon and Rickling. Newport confirmed that would be agreeable. The maximum cost would be £7000. The time to make objections would be after the planning application is submitted.

1470. Future roles and responsibilities

These will be allocated at the annual meeting May. Councillors have been asked to consider their preferences in the meantime.

1471. County and District Councillor reports

None.

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1472. Date of next meeting

8th May 2024

1473. Closure of meeting

There being no further items to be discussed, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.12.

[324/2024]