Minutes of a Meeting of Plumtree Parish Council held on Monday November 28, 2017, at the Burnside Memorial Hall, Plumtree at 7-30pm

Couns. David Martin (chairman)

Adrian Kerrison (A) Jonnie Richards

Mike Bylina Vonnie Daykin (A)

Dave Sumner

Also present Clerk Mike Elliott, Notts County Council member John Cottee, Rushcliffe Borough Council member Debbie Mason and five residents.

- 1] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Coun. Adrian Kerrison
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2017 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman

4] PARISHIONERS REPORTS

Comment was made on the untidy appearance of part of the hedge of part of the main road through the village. The chairman said he would talk to the local farmer at Sycamore Farm.

There was comment on a need for work to remove side growth on the footpath alongside stretches of the same road. Coun. Cottee told the meeting the position was due to be dealt with and is on a list of work to be done.

5] CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATE ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS

The clerk said he had been asked to inform the council that it was proposed to install PVC windows in the back of the Burnside Hall, to replace the present rotting wooden windows. The council felt it would support the proposed work.

6] REPORT FROM THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER

Coun. Cottee spoke on the county library service which he said was to continue and on the future plans for the County highways service while in some areas the local authority were not supporting the service. Coun. Mason spoke on ways the Borough council were look at to combat a loss of Government grants next year, and said they were increasing their investment work.

7] CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was received from Coun. Vonnie Daykin in which she raised a number of points on Highway matters and the housing development next to the Griffin Inn site.

A letter from Notts County Council advised of the Great War Commemoration Fund they had launched. The new Local Minerals Plan by Notts County Council, is out for consultation for an eight-week period. Robert Jenrick MP, wrote on the subject of illegal traveller encampments. The government are looking at a new strategy on how police deal with these incidents.

The Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, wrote re the Data Protection Bill and of the need for the council to appoint a Data Protection Officer by April next year. The clerk will be given details on the position when he attends an all-day seminar later in the week.

The council were told that John Buckley, Chief Fire Officer Nottinghamshire Fire and Rescue was proposing changes in regulations that would allow fire engines to turn out with three-men crews instead of the necessary four-men at present. The council supported the idea.

Website usage figures for September were 149 and October 123.

Notts County Council were reintroducing the Local Improvement Scheme and would have funding available for various types of parish schemes.

8] HIGHWAY MATTERS

Concerns were expressed on a nuisance caused by the parking of two mini buses from Plumtree School on Church Hill. The buses were, it was felt, causing obstruction for other drivers. The clerk was asked to write to the school owner and ask him if it could be arranged for the buses not to park on Church Hill opposite the Church Lane entrance. The council were still concerned on the overall parking problems in the village and felt some action was necessary to solve them. The idea of a time waiting restriction was raised but it was agreed it would be difficult to monitor.

9] PLANNING MATTERS

APPLICATIONS: There are none

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL DECISIONS There are none

Rushcliffe Local Plan Part 2. Comments from the parish council had been submitted to the Borough.

10] CPR TRAINNG

It was confirmed that a date was to be organised for a training session early in the New Year.

11] FINANCE

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS were approved as per the circulated list.

12] ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Nothing was raised.

13] CASUAL VACANCY

The council were aware of the need to continue to look for a further member to take up the long-standing vacancy.

14] CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS

The clerk was check on the progress of the delivery of the daffodil bulbs to Sycamore Farm.

15] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING ON JANUARY 22, 2018

Budget and precept for 2018-19

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.