Minutes of a Meeting of Plumtree Parish Council held on Monday January 25, 2016, at the Burnside Memorial Hall, Plumtree at 7.00pm

Couns. David Martin (chairman) (A)
Adrian Kerrison (in the chair) Jonnie Richards
Mike Bylina Vonnie Daykin
Dave Sumner

Also present: The clerk Mike Elliott, Coun. 4 members of the public.

Members were advised by the acting chairman that since the last meeting Gemma Louch has resigned due to leaving the village. The vacancy has been advertised through the usual regulation notice and the council await confirmation from Rushcliffe Borough Council that it can co-opt a new member if no one asks for an election. It was agreed to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Louch for her work as a councillor.

- 1] APOLOGIES Cllr David Martin
- 2] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none
- 3] MINUTES OF MEETING ON NOVEMBER 23, 2015 were approved as circulated and signed by the chairman.
- 4] PARISHIONERS REPORTS (THE MEETING BEING CLOSED TO ALLOW THIS ITEM TO PROCEED)

The chairman responded to questions from residents in regard to the Griffin Inn and said Rushcliffe Borough Council had declared the public house a Community Asset and after discussions with Greene King has agreed this only include the public house and its car park and not the area of land that would be used for development of dwellings if the application by the brewery owners for two dwellings was successful.

Comment was made on the litter bin sited at the junction of the old Melton Road and which was damaged. The meeting agreed the council be asked to purchase a new one.

- 5] THE GRIFFIN PUBLIC HOUSE AND ITS FUTURE
 - The chairman said the application submitted by Greene King for two dwellings to be erected on part of the car park to the public house had not yet been decided by the Borough Council who were awaiting final comment from Notts County Council highways department.
- 6] CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATE ON PREVIOUS MEETING BUSINESS
 Rushcliffe Borough Council have not advised further on the Network Rail planning
 application. The chairman said originally work was to be carried out in February and he felt
 the project may not be going to proceed as first planned. The clerk was asked to write to
 Network Rail to obtain comment from them.
 Members can now access the Rushcliffe Borough Council planning site as a resident and do
 not need any special access keywords.

7] CORRESPONDENCE

Notts County Council advised of a temporary road closure for Plumtree Road, Cotgrave. Members were told of plans for the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations with Beacons, being lit countrywide on April 21. The clerk said Normanton on the Wolds parish council were purchasing a Beacon and had suggested a joint event with Plumtree to include an intervillage boules match at The Plough in their village on the day in question. The council agreed to the suggestion and would offer to make a grant towards the cost of the Torch or to purchase a trophy to be competed for annually between the two villages.

A letter from Mr. Mike Clark asked if the council would consider taking adverts on its website from outside-village organisations / firms. The meeting felt this would be more suited to the village website rather than the parish council site.

Request from Keep Britain Tidy Group for a "Clean for the Queen" litter pick on March 5 with perhaps an event tied in to it – e.g., food for the pickers on finishing their work - was received. The council agreed to support the idea and would organise bacon butties at the end of the litter collection. Rushcliffe Borough Council is supporting the effort and will provide black sacks, rubber gloves and up to 15 litter snatchers and will collect rubbish from one point in the village on the Monday or Tuesday the next week. A leaflet would be prepared by the clerk and sent round door to door.

8] CPR TRAINING

Coun. Bylina reported the Burnside Hall was booked for Saturday morning February 13 for a training session. He had prepared a leaflet for door to door circulation. He said there would be two professionals giving the training and they could cope with a class – including children - of 30 people. Request for attendance were to be sent to the clerk. Names submitted to the clerk at the meeting were Cllrs Kerrison, Richards, Daykin, Sumner and Bylina. Residents putting their names forward were Mrs. Lottie Timmans, Mrs. Kerrison, Mr. Les Meader.

- 9] HIGHWAY MATTERS Nothing was raised.
- 10] PLANNING MATTERS

 APPLICATIONS There are none

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL DECISIONS There are none

11] COUNCIL WEBSITE,

Figures provided by Fiona Carruthers showed continuing good use of the site. The council felt it did not wish to take adverts on its website from organisations not based in the village following a suggestion the Air Hostess public house at Tollerton may wish to take space.

12] FINANCE

a] TO AUTHORISE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS were accepted as per the circulated list.

b] BUDGET AND PRECEPT FOR 2016-7

A Report on the budget and precept has been circulated to members by the clerk who also reported that he had now received an approach from Burnside Hall for funding. Normanton on the Wolds PC have agreed to allocate £300. The council after discussing the report agreed that the precept for 2016-7 be the same as in the current year, £4200.

- 13] ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS Nothing was raised.
- 14] CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS No matters were brought forward
- 15] AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING ON MONDAY MARCH 21, 2016 would include Grants to be made by the council and the Queen's Beacon event on April 21.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.35pm.