

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF REPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE
COMMUNITY ROOM, FISHER CLOSE, REPTON AT 7.30 P.M. ON
MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER 2017**

PRESENT: Councillors Skeith (Chairman), Thompson, Perks, McArdle, Rainey, Lloyd and McGahan

STAFF AND PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: S Reilly (Clerk), County Councillor Ford, District Councillor Smith and 7 members of the public

2375/17 APOLOGIES: District Councillor Stanton

The Chairman had received an email offering the resignation of Councillor Shortt. The Chairman would contact Councillor Shortt and thank him for his considerable work on behalf of the Parish Council and would ask him to reconsider his decision.

2376/17 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor Perks declared a personal interest in agenda item 9 – Repton Village Hall Proposal – in his role as a Director, Company Secretary and Trustee of Repton Village Hall Company. Councillor Perks would remain in the meeting for the discussion but would not vote on this issue. Councillor McGahan declared a personal interest in agenda item 7 a – Poppy Wreath – s137 donation – in his role as a member of the Royal British Legion. Councillor Thompson declared a personal interest in planning applications 9 2017 0964 & 9 2017 0995 – the demolition (in a conservation area) of existing garage and car port and proposed replacement incidental outbuilding at 59 Main Street, Milton.

2377/17 APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING 11TH SEPTEMBER 2017

RESOLVED: That they be signed as a true record.

Standing Orders lifted for Public Speaking and Planning

2378/17 PUBLIC SPEAKING:

- a) A member of the public said that the new Broomhills sign had been erected in the wrong location and should be moved closer to the playing field. Councillor Rainey would organise the relocation of the sign.
- b) A member of the public also reported that one of the handrails on the footbridge on the footpath from Well Lane to Broomhills Playing Fields was in need of repair. The Parish Councillors would contact the landowner and ask if he could repair the handrail.
- c) A local resident said the Parish Council should formulate a plan of how to spend the s106 monies that were currently available for the Parish. The Chairman replied that a review would take place.

2379/17 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Planning Applications

- 9 2017 1019 – The felling and pruning of trees at 29 Main Street, Milton
- 9 2017 1014 – The pruning of 2 silver birches at St Wystan's Cottage, Willington Road, Repton
- 9 2017 0969 – Extension and alteration to 22 Springfield Road, Repton
- 9 2017 0964 – Proposed replacement incidental outbuilding at 59 Main Street, Milton
- 9 2017 0995 – The demolition (in a conservation area) of existing garage and car port at 59 Main Street, Milton
- 9 2017 0979 – Proposed temporary accommodation in the form of a mobile home at The Lodge, Mitre Drive, Repton

9 2017 1055 – Insertion of new windows and roof lights at Brookdale Barn, Ticknall Road, Milton

RESOLVED: There would be no comments on the planning applications.

b) Planning Decisions

9 2017 0516 – Listed building consent for the erection of a rear extension attached to Dovecote, external and internal alterations and partial rebuilding of garden wall at The Dovecote, Main Street, Milton – Listed building consent refused

9 2017 0513 – The erection of a rear extension, external alterations and partial rebuilding of garden wall at The Dovecote, Main Street, Milton – householder permission refused

9 2017 0960 – The felling of a horse chestnut tree at Bower Hill, Well Lane, Repton – no objection

9 2017 0932 – The felling of a fir tree at St Wystan's Vicarage, Willington Road, Repton – consent granted

9 2017 0846 – The erection of extensions and garage conversion at 32 Askew Grove, Repton – householder permission granted

9 2017 0840 – The pruning of a poplar tree at Brook House, High Street, Repton – no objection

9 2017 0809 – The erection of a detached dwelling at land to the rear of 28 Main Street, Repton – full permission granted

9 2017 0806 – Crown reduction of an ash tree, covered by SDDC TPO no 218 at 6 The Pastures, Repton – consent granted

9 2017 0790 – Proposed single storey front extension, two storey rear extension, new log store, partial conversion of garage & remodelling of annex at 14 Milton Road, Repton – householder permission granted

9 2017 0718 – The erection of illuminated signage at Red Lion, 3 Burton Road, Repton – advert consent approved

9 2017 0696 – Listed building consent for the replacement of 2 fixed pane single glazed timber windows to the rear of the property with flush fitting opening and double glazed timber casement windows at 1 Willington Road, Repton – listed building consent granted

9 2014 0977 – Loft conversion with velux roof windows at 52 High Street, Repton – never validated, not pursued

9 2017 0885 – The erection of extensions (amended scheme to 9 2017 0438) at 36 Chestnut Way, Repton – householder permission granted

9 2017 0864 – The erection of a detached dwelling at 29 Chestnut Way, Repton – full permission granted

Standing Orders Resumed

2380/17 COUNTY, DISTRICT AND PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

a) District Councillor Peter Smith confirmed that Repton Village Hall, Broomhills Pavilion & Playing Field and The Mitre Field were currently listed as recipients for s106 monies.

b) District Councillor Peter Smith also informed the meeting that the next Area Forum would take place on the 10th of October at Sinfin Primary School; Swadlincote Golf Centre was to hold an open afternoon on the 28th of October; the new SDDC website had been launched, which contained links to DCC, and the Local Plan Part 2 would be presented to the next SDDC meeting.

c) County Councillor Ford highlighted the two current community bus services open to local residents; Gold Card renewal applications were now available on the website and new LED street lights were being installed.

d) County Councillor Ford announced that Repton School had offered to finance the resurfacing of the area outside Repton School Arch and by St Wystan's Church lych-gate, and expressed his thanks for their support.

- e) Regarding restoration work on Repton Cross County Councillor Ford believed discussions were ongoing within Derbyshire County Council.
- f) Councillor Lloyd reported that audiology services for this area were to be relocated from Willington to Hilton and this would cause transport problems for the elderly. The Clerk would write to the Area Health Board and also inform Heather Wheeler MP.
- g) A local resident had requested that trees located close to The Den be cut back. The Clerk was asked to reply to the local resident stating that they could prune the trees sympathetically; however permission, in the form of planning permission, would first have to be sought from SDDC.
- h) Councillor McArdle stated that lettings boards had recently appeared secured to road signs within the village. District Councillor Smith would report this matter to SDDC. Councillor McArdle would also organise a further litter pick in January 2018.
- i) Councillor McGahan reported an issue concerning a local resident and a tree, planted on SDDC land, overhanging their property. District Councillor Smith would liaise with Councillor McGahan and make a site visit.

2381/17 CLERK'S REPORT

a) Poppy Wreath – s137 donation

The Clerk asked the Councillors if they wished to again order a wreath for Remembrance Sunday.

RESOLVED: The Clerk would order a Remembrance Day wreath and a donation (s137) of £100.00 would be made to the Royal British Legion.

b) Request for Financial Assistance Towards Repair of Monument for Samuel Hanson

A financial request had been received towards the cost of restoring this headstone in Repton, Samuel Hanson had been Clerk to the Parish Council for 60 years.

RESOLVED: The Clerk would ask for an estimate of the repair cost prior to the decision being taken.

c) Summer Activities 2017

The activities had been very well attended – a total of 188 young people over the four events.

d) National Allotment Society Renewal

The renewal notice had been received at a cost of £55.00 + vat. Whilst initially the Clerk had consulted the Society on many occasions, use of membership had now diminished.

RESOLVED: The National Allotment Society membership would not be renewed.

2382/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported that the aluminium information sign at the top of Boot Hill, installed by the Parish Council, required repairing. Councillor Lloyd offered to contact the local blacksmith for advice.

2383/17 MONSOM LANE BURIAL GROUND RULES & REGULATIONS

The amended rules allowing discretion for plots to be allocated close to family members, where practical, had been circulated prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED: The amended rules and regulations would be adopted.

2384/17 BROOMHILLS PAVILION

The Chairman outlined issues items in need of restoration/repair at the pavilion and said that the Parish Council would apply to SDDC for s106 monies, where applicable: the kitchen; surface of car park; fire doors; front door; lighting; shutters; internal redecoration. A crack was also visible in the part belonging to SDDC and the requirement for underpinning had been identified in a previous conditions report. A new electrical survey report was required and an asbestos report was also needed.

RESOLVED: The electrical condition report would be ordered, the Clerk would ask Repton Casuals for their suggestions regarding the improvements required and the pavilion would be an agenda item at the next meeting.

2385/17 REPTON VILLAGE HALL PROPOSAL

The Chairman raised Standing Orders.

The Chairman thanked the working group for their work on this proposal. Councillor Thompson stated that until the question of whether a Parish Council office could be contained within a new Village Hall, at a reduced rent, was resolved, it would be difficult to offer a referendum on a lower rate of increase in the precept. After discussion it was agreed that the figure used for the purpose of any referendum would be the maximum required and then the precept could be lowered in subsequent years, should the amount be reduced.

The Chairman reinstated Standing Orders.

The Chairman proposed voting on the proposal to agree to proceed with the consultation for the Parish Council to apply for a Public Works Loan, based on full costs, for the purpose of rebuilding the Village Hall.

RESOLVED: The Councillors unanimously agreed to apply for the consent from local residents to apply for a Public Works Loan to rebuild the Village Hall. The Clerk would continue to update Dalc on the process.

2386/17 DATE OF AUTUMN PARISH MEETING

At the last meeting Councillor Thompson proposed holding a vote on moving the Milton Parish Meeting to October, with a view to more Parish Councillors being able to attend.

RESOLVED: Councillors unanimously agreed to hold the Parish Meeting in Milton in October from next year.

2387/17 REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR REPTON PARISH COUNCIL FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2017

The audited accounts had been received from Grant Thornton:

‘The information is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met.’

RESOLVED: To note the report from Grant Thornton.

2388/17 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

Councillor Thompson informed the meeting that the Plan was currently in the ‘publicity period’ and SDDC was consulting with Staffordshire County Council. An Examiner should be proposed in November and there would then be a three month period whilst the Plan was examined. Once passed by the Examiner a full meeting of SDDC would be required to authorise a referendum. Councillor Thompson anticipated that the referendum would take place in July 2018.

2389/17 FINANCE

a) Receipts since last meeting:

RBS interest to 31.08.17 £ 0.30

b) Payments since last meeting:

None

c) Payments for Approval

S Reilly – Net Pay 1st September £ 574.80

Cheque no 002698

SDDC – room hire £ 10.00

Cheque no 002699

Dalc – data protection course £ 40.00

Cheque no 002700

C Hawksworth – pavilion cleaning & supplies £ 53.85

Cheque no 002701	
Grant Thornton – audit fees	£ 240.00
Cheque no 002702	
SDDC – Summer activities	£1278.00
Cheque no 002703	
Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 s19	
WaterPlus – used water Broomhills Pavilion	£ 20.71
Cheque no 002704	
Astutium Ltd – web site	£ 38.34
Cheque no 002705	
Direct Debits:	
Eon – Broomhills Pavilion electricity 04.10.17	£ 29.38
BT – Office telephone	
01.10.17	£ 42.50
Standing Order:	
Jaipur Restaurant – office rent	
01.10.17	£ 220.00
Repton Recreation Ground Account:	
1 st Repton Scouts – litter picking Mitre Field	£ 100.00
Cheque no 000003	
Public Health Act 1875 s164	

RESOLVED: The payments should be made

d) Bank Balances:

RBS Direct Reserve Account 31.08.17	£35686.61
Nat West Current Account 04.10.17	£14254.99
Repton Recreation Ground Account 02.08.17	£1786.34

e) Finance Report October 2017

The Clerk had circulated the half yearly finance report prior to the meeting. The Finance meeting was scheduled for Monday 27th November.

f) Direct Debit:

BT – Office Telephone
BT had advised that the direct debit needed to increase to £56.00 @ month from 01.11.17.

RESOLVED: To approve the increased direct debit.

g) New contract with South Staffs Water for Used Water

The Clerk informed the meeting a new contract with same rates as WaterPlus and a £50.00 discount on the account for a 3 year contract was available with South Staffs Water for Used Water.

RESOLVED: To enter a 3 year contract for used water with South Staffs Water.

2390/17 CORRESPONDENCE

South Derbyshire District Council: Road Closure Remembrance Day; Minutes of Parish Liaison Meeting 13.09.17; Repton Area Forum Agenda; Large Grants Scheme; Youth Club Grants;
Derbyshire County Council: Southern Mobile Library Routes; Flu Vaccine; Campaign to Bust Waste Myths; Scam Bulletin; Derbyshire Connect Shopping Buses; Mobile Library Service;
A local resident – Overgrown Trees
Ashbourne Little Bus Company – Dial a Bus Service
A local resident – monument to Samuel Hanson
Bursar, Repton School – Entrance to Repton School & St Wystan’s Church
A local resident – Parking & Noise

RESOLVED: to note all correspondence

2391/17 REPORTS TO NOTE

DALC Annual Report 2016 – 17; 11 – Dalc AGM, Training;

RESOLVED: to note all reports

2392/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 13th November 2017 in the Community Room, Fisher Close, Repton at 7.30pm,

The meeting closed at 8.55pm