

Barkestone, Plungar & Redmile Parish Council

Minutes from the Extra-Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday
5th December 2018 at 7:00pm
in **Plungar Village Hall**

Present: Councillors Barlow, Johnson, Smith and Parry (In the Chair)

Officer present: Parish Clerk

Borough & County representative: None

Members of the public: 27

Ref: Subject:

109/18 Apologies for absence – Apologies received from Councillors Lowther and Jackson.

110/18 Declarations of Interest – None

111/18 Residents Questions – There were no residents' questions in relation to items not on the Agenda

112/18 To award the contract for the Redmile Play Area:

- Councillor Parry explained that the Parish Council had received a grant from WREN to refurbish the play park in Redmile. The contract was put out to tender and these were looked at by Councillors Barlow, Johnson and Lowther. There were 2 definite leaders out of the 4 tenders received. The plans/designs submitted with the tenders were taken into the school to be displayed and were also displayed in the church at Redmile. Both the children and parishioners were invited to give their thoughts in relation to the design, equipment, what was good for the children and for the village. The Parish Council was thanked for giving the residents the opportunity to comment on the designs.
- Following the scoring of the tenders by Councillors Barlow, Johnson and Lowther and taking into account the views of the children and the residents, it was proposed by Councillor Johnson, at this meeting, that the Parish Council accept the tender from Streetscape to the sum of £60,000. Councillors Parry and Smith seconded the decision.
- It was agreed that the Parish Clerk would write to all the organisations who tendered for the contract to give them the Parish Council's decision.

113/18 To consider and decide the Budget and Precept for 2019/2020:

- The Parish Council agreed to maintain the precept at the same figure as last year. This was proposed by Councillor Parry and seconded by Councillor Barlow. There are a number of projects that have been identified for 2019/2020 to enhance each of the 3 villages within the Parish. A list is held by the Clerk.

114/18 To Discuss the Midland Rural Housing Survey to be completed by Plungar residents during December 2018:

- A questionnaire for completion by residents had been received from Midland Rural Housing. Not all residents in Plungar were in receipt of the questionnaire. Councillor Barlow summarised the work that both she and Councillor Parry had done in relation to the Melton Local Plan. The Local Plan has now been approved and Councillor Barlow explained what it covered.
- The flyer gave the impression it was either from or on behalf of Melton Borough Council.
- The Parish Council agreed to write to MBC and leaflet drop all Plungar residents.

Councillors' Reports – Trees in Redmile Church Yard and Redmile Play Park

- An application has been made to Melton Borough Council to allow the Parish Council to fell and remove the self-seeding willow tree in the play park. In addition, the Parish Council wish to have works undertaken on a number of hedges.
- A Tree Survey has been received from Leicestershire County Council identifying works that require attention.
- The Parish Council requested that the Clerk send the Tree Survey to MBC with our requests for permission to undertake all the required works.
- The Parish Council requested that the Clerk contact the Diocese to request permission to work on the trees in the church yard.
- Councillor Jill Barlow will send an electronic copy of the Tree Survey to the Clerk in order that it can be given to any potential contractors for the tree works.

Meeting closed: 9:00 pm

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 8th January 2019 at 7.00 pm at Plungar Village Hall