

**RAVENSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Meeting Held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2013**

**1. Opening Procedures**

**1.1. Present:** S Holt (Chair), D Herbert, M Worthington, J Humphrey, R Spring, J Jones, J Matts, R Marsh

**1.2. Apologies:** S Pasley-Tyler, C Boardman

**1.3. Declarations of interest**

Personal – none

Personal and prejudicial –none

**2. Minutes of previous meetings**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2012 and those of the extraordinary meetings on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2012 and 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2013 were agreed and signed as correct by the Chairman.

**3. Matters Arising**

**3.1. The Green, Bettycroft Close**

Spraying of weed killer on the grass - R Spring has been informed that the grass is sprayed with Roundup which is not likely to kill the tree. It was agreed that spraying should continue. David Grainger will look at tree and check.

Stones placed outside the bungalow on verge in Betty Croft were discussed - land is thought to be owned by Highways and is not mowed by Parish Council, and it is believed that the person placing the stones will be liable for any damage caused by them to vehicles. S Holt will follow up.

Damage to verge in that area generally will be chased up once all of the building work has been completed.

**4. Public Time**

**5. Business**

**5.1. Neighbourhood Planning**

No progress at the moment, feedback is awaited from DDC regarding inclusion of village requirements within forthcoming DFDC Settlements & Countryside Local Plan. S Holt to contact Mr Richard Wood and chase up information. Once advice has been received, then a meeting can be called if required.

**5.2. Community Enhancement Gangs (CEG)**

Letter to be put into circulation, with request for councillors to add ideas for things needing to be done - cleaning signs, footpath at the back of BettyCroft Close, weeding at bottom of Little Lane etc. Ideas to compiled.

**5.3. DDC - Draft Allocations Scheme consultation**

PC have e-mailed response to this consultation regarding policy on allocation of social housing.

**5.4. NCC Parish Satisfaction Questionnaire (Highways)**

R Marsh to complete and return on behalf of PC..

**5.5. Community Speed Watch**

Invitation to rejoin the scheme from 6<sup>th</sup> April 2013. Team of 10 including co-ordinator required. Notice to go in the News Letter. If there is enough support (perhaps joining with East Haddon), may take it further, although charge of £450 will need to be agreed by PC.

## 5.6. Victim Support

Request for donation. Discussed benefit to local community. It was decided that, although a worthy cause, no donation would be given.

## 5.7. Guilsborough Pre-school

Request for donation towards re-carpeting. It was agreed to donate £100 towards this cost.

## 5.8. NCALC – Nov-Dec update – to go into circulation for information.

## 6. Planning

### 6.1. Planning Applications

TPO DA437 – Kildonan, The Hollow. Work to trees. 9 trees involved on plans, on website only 2 trees. Applicant wishes to tidy the trees up and raise lower branches so that lawnmower can get underneath on the garden side.

No observations.

### 6.2. Planning Withdrawals

DA/2012/0486 and DA/2012/0487 (Listed Consent) Change of use of barn and stables to function suite etc.

Coton Lodge, West Haddon Road, Guilsborough – withdrawn application noted.

6.3. The Meeting was advised that an Extrordinary planning meeting would be required during w/c 28<sup>th</sup> January to consider a minimum of two applications which had been received since Agenda for this meeting was issued.

DDC planning website will be down for maintenance between 28<sup>th</sup> January and 4<sup>th</sup> February.

## 7. Finance

### 7.1. Accounts to be paid:

e.on	Street Lighting maintenance (quarter to Dec 2012)	133.12
E Peachey	Clerk Salary (Oct-Dec 2012 plus expenses)	783.63
e.on	Street Lighting charge (Oct - Dec 2012)	280.59
DACT	Annual Affiliation Fee	25.00
RVH	Village Hall Rent for PC meetings (Oct – Dec 2012)	<u>32.00</u>
Total:		1254.34

### Receipts:

B Douglas	Pit rental	25.00
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### 7.2. Balances at Bank 7479.41

## 8. Correspondence

NCALC Training Calendar to be put into circulation – in Clerk's absence of Clerk, requests to be sent to S Holt

## 9. Councillor's reports and risk assessments

9.1. Pocket Park – in good order

9.2. Allotments – in good order

9.3. Highways

S Holt reported that NCC had contacted the Police regarding the speed limit between Ravensthorpe and Coton. The Police are in favour of a 40mph limit and NCC will seek the necessary statutory order in the autumn.

Some speed limit signs will also be moved in line with the “Ravensthorpe” village signs.

#### **10. Leaflets and Correspondence not needing attention**

#### **11. Items for next month’s Agenda**

Emergency Response Plan to be reviewed.

Access to Ravensthorpe Reservoir car park adjacent to Coton Road.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm.