

MINUTES OF RIMINGTON & MIDDOP PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25 JANUARY 2023
AT 7.15 PM IN THE RIMINGTON PAVILION, RIMINGTON

Present: Tony Perry (Chair), David Briscoe, Rosemary Duckworth, Stan Fitzgerald, Keith Pilkington, Clerk, Borough Cllr Richard Sherras and two members of the public

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Ian Brown, Jacqui Lynch

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 16 NOVEMBER 2022

The Minutes of the meeting of 16 November 2022 were accepted as a true record of proceedings and signed by the Chair.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Virgin Money £13,919

ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL

Mrs C A Holmes	Clerk's Salary	£1,200
HMRC	Clerk's PAYE	£400
North West Air Ambulance	Donation	£400
Rimington Memorial Institute	Room hire	£60
Mrs C A Holmes	Reimbursement for domain name renewal	£85.04

PARISH COUNCIL GRANTS AND DONATIONS

It was noted that grants to the Recreation Association and Institute had been made earlier in the year and that the Institute had been given the option of returning to request a slightly higher sum but this had not yet occurred. It was agreed that the annual donation to the North West Air Ambulance of £400 should be made.

SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES AND ROAD SAFETY ISSUES

The Chair provided an update on the SpID which was working correctly at present. It was noted that an appropriate company could undertake a 7 day traffic count/speed measurement on specified roads in the parish and provide the data in Excel format for a cost of £325 + VAT. It was agreed that the Parish Council should proceed to request the company to undertake this exercise.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND MATTERS

A summary of the planning history of the land adjacent to the Rimington Memorial Institute was provided. It was noted that previous applications had not proceeded, principally on highway safety

grounds. It was noted that no formal planning application had recently been received in respect of the land although there had been indications that an application may be forthcoming.

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY ("PROWs")

Details of work undertaken by Dan Bolton on behalf of the Parish Council were provided. It was noted that the cost of the works undertaken amounted to £288 in total.

Suggestions for further work required were made. It was noted that certain work would need to be carried out by LCC themselves and the Chair advised that he would contact the footpath team with the necessary details.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Borough Cllr Sherras advised that there was a Parish Council Liaison Committee on 02 February 2023 which included an item on parish council elections so the meeting would be worth attending.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The problems caused by cars parking up to the junction next to Martin Top Chapel on Sunday mornings were discussed and it was agreed to bring the matter to the attention of the police but also to mention the problem again to the Chapel.

Part II

Items not to be considered in public

CLERK'S SALARY

There was discussion regarding the Clerk's salary in comparison with clerks in other parishes. It was also noted that the number of meetings held by the Parish Council had doubled since the Clerk's appointment. It was agreed that the Clerk's annual salary should be raised to £1,600 per annum (before tax).