

Rivington Parish Council Meeting

Date: 11th April 2023 at 6pm

Venue: Spring Cottage, Rivington

REF: 23/125

1. Present and apologies

Present: Chairperson Cllr David Jones, Councillor Lisa Harris, Councillor Trevor Ellett, Councillor Barry Keenan.

Clerk, None present

Apologies: None.

2. Disclosures of personal or prejudicial interests

None

3. Any issues arising from previous meeting

a) Cllr David Jones said that he had emailed Steven Wong at UU for an update on UU's plans but had had no reply.

b) Cllr Barry Keenan suggested that it was time to apply some pressure on UU to provide the RPC with an update on its traffic and parking plans. Cllr Jones provided Cllrs copies of two letters sent by UU and RHT dated 2020 and 2021 respectively to the RPC stating their intentions. Cllr Jones requested that Cllr Barry Keenan refer to the intentions stated in the two letters and draft up

a letter to UU seeking an update.

The draft letter is to be presented to Cllrs for discussion prior or at the next meeting.

c) Cllr David Jones introduced a draft document proposing a one-way system through Lever Park and Horrobin Lane along with traffic calming ideas. Cllr Jones asked Cllr Ellett to draft up a plan that the RPC would present to UU and help provide ideas from local residents on how the traffic problems might be addressed. The draft plan is to be presented to Cllrs for discussion prior or at the next meeting.

d) To support the RPC traffic calming proposals Cllr Jones suggested that there was a need for photo and video evidence of reckless driving and speeding through Lever Park and Rivington village. As anyone driving around the area knows, witnessing reckless driving and speeding vehicles is common place. The photo and video data gathered could then be provided to interested authorities.

e) Cllr Jones suggested that all Cllrs cars be fitted with dash cams. He is willing to fit them. Cllrs agreed. The cost of the cameras and memory cards would be approx. £110 per vehicle.

New Clerk to the Parish Council.

As the present Clerk has recently resigned Cllr Jones asked Cllr Keenan if he would like to carry out the duties of the Clerk. Barry said he would not. Cllr Jones said he would contact Helen Skuce to enquire if she would like to take up the position and that he will report back.

4.

The Kings Coronation: - For King Charles Coronation Cllr Vince McCully put forward the idea of having a book marker printed for the Cllrs to distribute to local school children and villagers. One side would be printed with the prayer written by Cllr Vince McCully for the occasion the other with the union flag and other text. Cllrs agreed to have 300 printed and laminated. Cllr Vince McCully would deal with the printer.

5.

Cllr Vince McCully updated Cllrs on the upcoming spring festival 2023 to be held on the green as usual. The village hall was available to use in case of rain. Cllr Vince McCully explained that he had been unsuccessful in persuading an outside catering company to provide burgers and drinks on the day. Cllr Trevor volunteered to do this. Cllr Jones agreed to provide the gas BBQ as he had previously along with the gas. Trevor would get the materials for the day from Aldi and RPC would pick up the bill as its contribution to the day and the local charities involved.

A.O.B

Rivington resident Judith Gilgun of 1 Mill Hill, reported she had experienced a road rage incident and been the victim of a verbal assault on Good Friday. The road rage was as a direct result of numerous traffic jams across the reservoir near the brewery. The incident was reported to the police. Not 999

Lisa has delivered the RPC paperwork and it is being stored at Spring Cottage until a new clerk is appointed.

Cllr David Jones to find a supplier to manufacture a brass plaque for the flagpole.

Cllr David Jones to talk to Chorley Council about having the defib unit fitted outside the Bowling Green Cafe rather than the tea rooms.

Cllr David Jones noted that there had been another three deer deaths from vehicles since the last meeting.

Date of next meetings:

13th June 2023