

MINUTES OF REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
11 April 2012
Held at Redgrave Activities Centre at 7.30 pm

Present: Jim McCluskey, Jan Cresswell, Ian Baird, Jackie Moss, Ann Preston, Mike Denmark, John Giddings, Jason Walker and Bob Hayward. Several members of the public were also present.

Apologies: Charles and Sara Michell

Chairmans opening – Jason welcomed everyone and thanked Vic for the photos that were displayed during the Annual Parish Meeting prior to the PC meeting. He apologised for the fact that tonight is not the AGM – it will be next month.

Declarations of interest. – none

Minutes of meeting of Wednesday 14 March 2012 – signed as a true record

Matters arising not covered by this agenda – Jan asked about the funding for the Diamond Jubilee to be discussed later.

Any changes in councillors: none

Open discussion with county and district councillors, and services – none present.

Open discussion with residents:

John Preston asked about new planning laws and felt that the village should develop their own plan rather than wait for MSDC to do it for them. Bob Hayward suggested that an update to the village plan should be worked on. It would necessitate getting a group of people to do the work which is not easy. Jim said that he worried that the field that was the site for the amenities centre could be taken for development at any time. Ian suggested getting someone from the MSDC to come and talk to the PC. It was agreed that the PC would look into doing the necessary work on the village plan and that someone from the planning department would be invited to speak to the village as a whole and when a date was decided the meeting would be advertised to the village.

Planning

0801/12 Bridge house lean-to replace tiles and 0802/12 Bridge house extension to modern lean-to: these were both looked at on the screen and there were no objections.

1333/11 Elm Cottage: change of use to residential annexe, repeat of previous. The PC believe this should have a site visit as it is no different to the previous application which was turned down.

0777/12 Redgrave bells add 3 to existing 6 at same level, the whole council agreed with this proposal.

Finance and cheques for signature.

John Giddings reported that a cheque for mowing the Knoll for £220.00 has not yet been cashed and this will be checked to see if it has been received. It was agreed to keep on paying for the broadband that is available at the Activities Centre.

Any reply on grant for speed gun – none so far.

Pay SALC £211 - agreed

Pay up to £50 donation to loan Walsham speed camera – they have to ask their PC for permission for us to use it and this is just a guess at what they might charge us. It was agreed to pay this.

The gardening club would like permission to plant a tree to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee. They would like to put it on the Knoll but it was suggested that it might be better to put it on the playing field where there was more space.

Jan Cresswell spoke about the village celebrations for the Diamond Jubilee. It is planned to be from 12pm to 4pm on the playing field on Monday 4th June followed by a children's tea party and evening entertainment. She would like money for children's games equipment and the necessary for the party – she was given a budget of £500 for the day

Affordable housing – the area has been fenced off ready for work. Local people who are interested can apply to MSDC or to Hastoe Housing Association, Isobel Wright (01799 533175) if they feel they may wish to go on the housing list for one of the five units. These are 1 x 3 bedroom house, 2 x 2 bedroom houses and 2 x 1 bedroom flats. There will be a public meeting at a later date to give more information.

Speed monitoring – Jackie Moss has had an email from someone from Roads Policing and he says that there can be no Speed Gun used on Churchway or on The Street due to power lines. This has never been mentioned before and Jackie is going to investigate further as the police have been involved from the beginning and this is something very new!!

PC AGM is on May 9 2012 – noted

Any other correspondence or information – none

Consider any footway proposals – none

Hughie Taylor will not be cutting Knoll - Jason thanked Hughie for all his past work and was joined by the whole PC. It needs to be done most weeks during the summer and takes a couple of hours each time. It was agreed that an approach would be made to 3 garden services to quote for the job and it would be advertised in the village magazine! Jim volunteered to take on the job after August, if necessary.

Ideas for improvements to village and following-up on previous projects proposed – none.

Matters carried forward from this meeting – Ian is fed up with the flooding at the cross roads at Hinderclay Road and will take it up with Highways. He also raised a query about the Developers Fund which is a levy on new development for use in the parish and he wants to find out what can be done with the money. If the village comes up with a project that will benefit the village then this money can be used.

New matters for next meeting – proposals for community projects.

Next meeting is on 9 May 2012

The meeting was closed at 9.30pm.