

Minutes of Redgrave Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 10 November at Redgrave Activities Centre 7.30 pm

Present

Mr S Burgess, Mr A Aves, Mr R Hayward, Mr J VanBeveren, Mrs J Orves, Mrs D Culley and 5 residents

1. Apologies  
Mr I Baird, Mr K Green, MSDC councillor Mrs S Michell,  
SCC councillor Mr C Michell
2. Chairmans opening  
The Chairman welcomed everyone and hoped for a short and effective meeting.
3. Declarations of interest  
None
4. Minutes of meeting Wednesday 13 October 2004  
Minutes agreed as a true record
5. Matters arising not covered by the agenda  
The problems of barbed wire on the stiles of footpath 2 had arisen again. Andy Aves will check the exact situation and report back so that appropriate action can be taken.
- 12 Cooption of new councillor  
MSDC advised that they had received no requests for an election and we were therefore required to fill the position by coo-option as soon as possible. Joyce Orves advised that only Ann Preston had expressed an interest in being co-opted as a parish councillor. It was unanimously agreed that Ann Preston be co-opted and she signed the declaration of acceptance and her declaration of interests. *The originals are retained on the PC files and copies have been sent to the MSDC electoral officer.*
6. County and district councillors had sent their apologies
7. Open discussion with residents  
There was further discussion on footpath 2 which is a continual problem.
8. Planning applications received and decisions received  
MSDC had no objection to the tree removal at Ivy House TCA 65 04  
The parish council has no objection to Maple removal at Felix Cottage TCA 68 04  
MSDC had refused planning permission for extension to the Mission Room 603 04 on the grounds of inadequate parking, road safety, preservation of the lime trees, and inappropriate roofing and materials for a conservation area.  
The parish council has no objection to the Oak House garden annexing agricultural land as shown in 1295 04.
9. Donations to charities  
The list of potential local charities to receive donations has been completed. The list will be circulated to councillors by Simon Burgess for comment and short listing. The total budget for 2005/6 for these S137 donations will be £400.  
Donations for parish purposes such as recreational facilities, play areas, churchyard maintenance, and Knoll grass cutting are not included in the £400 for S137.
- 10 Finance and cheques for signature  
The VAT reclaim of £124.51 had been received  
It was agreed to pay the Lubbock-Fine audit fee of £141

- 10 John Robinson had requested that the PC pays for the £16.50 hire of the Activities Centre for his November neighbourhood watch meeting. It was agreed to pay £20 to cover that and incidentals to bring the neighbourhood watch donations up to the planned £50 for the financial year.

The cheques for charities will be done in January when the donations short list has been decided. *We forgot that the Father Christmas procession donation should have been agreed and paid at this November meeting.*

The Lubbock-Fine official audit had been satisfactorily completed with no Comment made by the auditors. A notice to that effect will go on the Parish Council notice board and mention is requested in the PC report for the Parish Magazine.

The budget for 2005/6 was agreed and the precept agreed unchanged at £7500. Projects were set at £2000 but if there is no election and maintenance costs are less than budget it should be possible to devote a total of £4000 to any items identified in the Parish Plan which is currently being compiled. This is also because reserves will stand at a budgeted £5238 at year end April 06 and can be allowed to fall to £4000 with no problem. The agreed budget for 2005/6 is part of these minutes.

*The precept request has been sent to MSDC.*

- 11 Progress in finding a new clerk

One person was expressing interest and had requested to understand more of the details involved. Bob Hayward would provide the necessary explanation directly.

- 12 See after 5 above

- 13 Repainting village sign

Mr & Mrs Mitchell kindly agreed to repaint the sign this Winter. The cast aluminium sign face will be removed so that the work can be done independent of the weather.

- 14 Location of deeds

Anita Burnard will be consulted and if necessary a check made of the church safes to locate the remaining two sets of deeds. A check will be done on behalf of the Fen Trust at the same time.

- 15 Reinstatement of footpath Redgrave Fen to B1113

The Fen charity as land owners agreed and now the Suffolk Wildlife Trust as tenants will be consulted by the PC.

- 16 Parish Plan progress

John Preston chairman of the Parish Plan steering committee reported that all was still on of schedule, all the results had been compiled and the current stage was interpreting the meaning of the results and compiling the report.

- 17 Grants for Activities Centre

The application to Suffolk Environmental Trust ( Landfill grants) was unsuccessful as they were making many small grants for disabled facilities to enable village halls to comply with the disability legislation which came into force on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The answer from the Big Lottery is due on November 26.

- 18 Bus Shelter maintenance

Just awaiting a break in the wet weather.

- 19 Primary Care Trust (PCT, NHS)

Ian Baird had been elected as a public member of the PCT

- 20 Pond willow and pond

The dead pond willow had been removed but MSDC had no funds available for

cleaning the pond. Ian Baird had previously agreed to see what compounds Kerry Foods used for cleaning ponds.

21 Any other correspondence

21 EDF had started work on replacing overhead lines with underground cable to avoid power cuts due to geese hitting the lines between the Activities Centre and Sharps Farm. This should resolve the questions Fred Brooks raised with EDF.

Botesdale Parish Council fully supports our suggestion to move the 30 mph limit to the Redgrave side of the river bridge to allow a safer route to school. We will now send the proposal to SCC highways.

Highams have cut the hedge on Hinderclay road.

The Deputy Prime Ministers office had sent a letter stating that the standards board procedures laws on ethics were in force from 1 November.

Churchway was planned to be closed from 10 am to 3 pm on Saturday 11 December for the annual Cyclo-cross. MSDC to be advised no objection.

The annual public entertainment licence request for the Activities Centre had been Received. MSDC to be advised no objection.

The Amplifier arts project aims to help talented young performers and artists. The nearest venue is Eye. If anyone is interested or knows someone who could be please phone Zoey Furzer 01449 727 201.

Copies of the electoral roll are now available for councillors and the clerk if they so wish but there are very tight restrictions on their use. One electronic copy will be requested for the council and will be kept on the parish council computer which has controlled access.

22 Matters carried forward to the next meeting

Items 11, 14 to 19

23 New matters for the next meeting

Footpath 2 – again!

24 Date of the next meeting

THERE WILL BE NO DECEMBER MEETING unless urgent business arises such as a contentious planning application. Email circulation and email consensus will be used for any non-contentious decisions required.

Next meeting Wednesday 12 January 2005

The meeting finished at 9.30 pm

Signed

J Orves Chairman

Dated

**REDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET & PRECEPT  
FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2005/2006**

	Budget 02/03	Budget 03/04	Budget 04/05	Projected Actual 04/05	Budget 05/06
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
<b>Administration</b>					
Clerks Salary	1500	1750	1850	1275	1750
Clerks exp & travel	210	300	450	280	400
Petty Cash	140	150	0	0	0
Insurance	550	400	550	613	700
SALC/Sacre/SLCC	150	150	200	217	230
Hall Hire	120	120	200	165	200
Audit	300	300	160	141	150
Elections	700	700	700	0	700
<b>Parish Property</b>					
Street lighting	95	110	75	51	80
War Memorial maintnce	50	50	100	100	100
Routine maintenance	600	600	600	30	600
<b>Parish Amenities</b>					
Recreational facilities	300	300	300	300	300
Comm C Play area		100	100	150	150
Play areas inspection	90	100	150	125	140
Play areas repair	100				
Play areas bark	100				
Cycle circuit project	0	1000			
Projects	3000	2000	2000	129	2000
Courses				30	100
Pavilion extension grant				5083	
Parish Plan				2430	
<b>Donations</b>					
Burial ground cut	320	320	320	300	300
The Knoll cut	120	130	135	135	150
Parish Magazine			100	130	140
Other donations	140	170	340	340	400
<b>Total</b>	<b>8585</b>	<b>8750</b>	<b>8330</b>	<b>12022</b>	<b>8590</b>
<b>INCOME</b>					
Precept	7500	7500	7500	7500	<b>7500</b>
Allotment rents	100	100	100	100	100
Interest	50	50	50	50	50
VAT				530	
Parish Plan Grant				2149	
<b>Total</b>	<b>7650</b>	<b>7650</b>	<b>7650</b>	<b>10329</b>	<b>7650</b>
<b>Decrease in reserves</b>			<b>680</b>	<b>1693</b>	<b>940</b>
<b>Reserves at start year</b>				<b>7962</b>	<b>6268</b>
<b>Reserves at end year</b>				<b>6268</b>	<b>5328</b>