Ryton and Grindle Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual meeting of Ryton and Grindle Parish Council held on Monday 22nd May 2023 Meeting held at 7.30pm at St Andrew's Church, Ryton

In attendance: Cllrs Caroline Davies, John Webb and Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis, Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey)

2023.1 Election of Chairman

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to elect John Webb as Chairman

John Webb signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chairman

2023.2 Election of Vice Chairman

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to elect Jonathan Hartnell-Beaves as Vice-Chairman

Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Vice-Chairman

2023.3 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

2023.4 Apologies

There were no apologies

2023.5 Declarations of Interest

There were none at this time

2023.6 Co-option – to hear from any interested parties

There were none at this time.

2023.7 Public Forum

There was none at this time

2023.8 Shropshire Councillor's Report

There was none at this time

2023.9 Minutes

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Wednesday 7th March 2023 as a true record

2023.10 Clerk's Report

The Parish Clerk had reported the theft of a Parish Council bench to the police but was disappointed to have had no response to date.

Apley Estates had been thanked for gifting an oak tree to the Parish Council to plant on Ollie's Corner.

2023.11 Finance

11.1 It was proposed, seconded, and agreed to approve the following payments:-

Clerk - £440.46 salary for Quarter 1
HMRC - £110 PAYE for Quarter 1
Clerk - £14.40 travel expenses for May
SALC – yearly fees -£127.79
Friends of St Andrews - £200 towards the Coronation Party

Cllr Jonathan Hartnell-Beavis said that the Coronation street party had been well attended, and that it had been a good event, thankfully on a dry day.

11.2 The following receipts were noted

Shropshire Council - £3970 - precept 24th April

11.3:

- a) It was proposed, seconded, and agreed to approve the Reconciliation and Bank Statements for end of month of March 2023
- b) It was proposed, seconded, and agreed to approve Receipts and Payments including income and expenditure spreadsheets to month of March 2023

11.4

- a) It was agreed to note the Internal Audit
- b) It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to approve the Certificate of Exemption
- c) It was agreed sign the Annual Governance Form
- d) To proposed, seconded, and resolved, to approve the Annual Return 2022-2023
- e) It was proposed, seconded, and resolved consider and approve the Exercise of Public Rights with the dates of 5th June to 14th July 2023

2023.12 Planning

a) Planning notifications

23/01223/FUL – First Floor extension to existing bungalow and single storey rear extension, at East Lea, Ryton

No objection

- b) Planning decisions: none at this time
- c) Any other planning matters: it was noted that building works at the Lindens at the entrance to Ryton had not re-commenced, and that plants taken out 12 months ago look unlikely to be put back in.

2023.13 Highways

Cllr John Webb noted that blocked drains in the Parish had been reported. Patches have been repaired on the highways.

2023.14 Environment

The bench in Ollie's Corner that had been installed by the Parish Council was stolen on the weekend of 21st April. Cllr John Webb said that this would have been the day after he planted the oak tree. The bench had been well-used by cyclists. Apley Estates have offered to donate a replacement log bench.

Cllr Caroline Davis raised the lack of progress at Grindleforge Bridge, and the conflicting comments about responsibility from Shropshire Council and Apley Estates. It was thought surprising that Shropshire Council had advised it was not their responsibility. It was requested that the Parish Clerk raise this issue with Shropshire Councillor Richard Marshall.

2023.15 Correspondence

The Local Government Boundary Commission has sent a draft proposal to redraw the boundaries of Shropshire Council wards. This was noted.

2023.16 Any other Parish Matters

2023.17 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 17th July at 7pm