

REDWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Agreed MINUTES of the Ordinary Meeting held on
Thursday, 13th October 2022 (Postponed from 22.09.22)
at 19:00 in Redwick Village Hall

Clerk: Nicola Sutherland RedwickCC@outlook.com 01633 401106

Councillors Present:

Kath James – Chair

Mair Duthie – Vicechair

Elwyn Jarrett

Rhys Waters

Jon Williams

Laura Smith, Historic Building Conservation Officer for NCC also present for item 4.

Member of the public – Mr Lloyd

Nicola Sutherland – Clerk

1. All members of the Community Council were present at the meeting.
2. There were no declarations of interest.
3. The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd August 2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record. This was proposed by Cllr Jarrett and seconded by Cllr Williams.
4. Laura Smith, historic building conservation officer attended the meeting. She explained how the planning application process works and also her role within that. As conservation officer, each planning application for Redwick goes to her for comments. Each planning application is assessed on its own merits but, because of the village conservation status, there is a higher level of what is expected of the design element of the application. The Local Development Plan is used as a reference guide alongside various government guidance notes.

Concern was raised by the Councillors that planning considers the environment before the needs of the residents. It was also suggested that guidance on what would be acceptable for applications would be helpful for residents when an application was refused. Laura noted that guidance would be useful and stated that she could offer thoughts about what needs to be changed but that this would always be subjective.

The Chair noted that there are six dairy farms in the village. The question of being able to keep younger family members in the village to work on these farms was raised. It was suggested that property could be built on farm land to accommodate agricultural workers as property within the main village was

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too expensive for young people. Laura explained that Redwick is not currently a designated new build area so this was not an option.

Cllr Williams explained that he lived in a very old property that had been adapted over the years to suit the needs of the time. He expressed concern that no change is allowed from now on, even though change is necessary for building to remain relevant.

Mr Lloyd made a statement about how he had found the planning process when applying for planning for the porch at the front of his property.

Laura was thanked for attending the meeting and answering Councillor's questions.

5. Public Participation (15 minutes)

To receive any questions or addresses to the Council from members of the public, with seven days prior notice having been given of any questions, issues or concerns.

The Clerk confirmed that the road surface near to Tonew Kennels had been reported (for the third time) to NCC. A follow up request will be sent with regards to this section of road.

The Clerk was asked to report the large pothole near to Corner House.

Mr Lloyd raised a query about the blocked ditch at Channel View. It was confirmed that the Community Council will not discuss this further until the three landowners involved have come to an agreement about what needs to be done to solve this issue and carry out the work required.

6. **Matters Arising** that are not elsewhere on the agenda.

- Fibre broadband to the pole – a request has been sent to BT regarding this issue. Unfortunately, the address given is no longer available. A further request will be sent to the general enquiries' office.
- Safety fence in front of Great House – the RCC request about responsibility for this stretch has been sent on to NCC legal team and we are currently awaiting a response.
- The Clerk was asked to report the broken street light by Corner House, South Row to NCC.
- Quintin's Patch – the history of this piece of land is currently being investigated and no further updates are available at this time.
- The Clerk confirmed that the items requested by members of the public had been reported to NCC. These include the road surface, white lines and missed bin collections.

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7. **Correspondence Received**

- Independent Renumeration Panel Draft Annual Report (circulated by email). The report was noted and received.
- Thank you card from Jim Ballard for the leaving gift given by Redwick CC.

8. **Village Issues:**

- Jubilee Commemoration. Eleven saplings have been requested by residents. Following consultation with a local tree expert, it was agreed that the saplings would be field maples. The Chair will arrange for the purchase of the saplings.
Lynette Jones has kindly agreed to donate an oak tree for planting in the village also to commemorate the Jubilee. It is understood that the oak was grown from an acorn collected in Windsor Great Park. Arrangements will be made to transplant the oak to its new position within the village. A plaque will be installed.
- The village photograph, organised by Jackie Thomas and taken at the Jubilee Celebration has been framed and is now hung in the village hall. Thanks to Jackie for organising this and also to Anthony (Bonner) Jones for installing the picture in the hall.
- The play area. Concern has been raised by residents about the state of the play equipment currently in the play area. It was agreed that this area needs urgent review. Clerk to source quotes for improvement work and also to send contact details for local company to Cllr Jarrett.

9. **Planning Applications:**

- 22/0784 The Bryn
- 22/0807 The Bryn

The applications for The Bryn were discussed. Councillors had no concerns to raise and fully support the application. Clerk to inform NCC.

Cllr Jarrett attended some of the PEDW hearings about the proposed Solar Farm at Rushwall. Unfortunately, he was not allowed to participate in the discussions but was there as an observer. The proposed community funding element of this application was discussed and the general feeling was that the amount suggested was too low. This item will be re-visited by the council once the outcome of the hearings is known.

Planning Application Updates (for information only):

- 22/0166 North Court Farm Granted with conditions
- 22/0148 3 The Willows Granted with conditions

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10. Finance:

i. Bank Balances.

Bus Bank Account			3979.65
Treasurer's Account			
Opening Balance 26.08.22			£ 25,746.52
Cheques going out		£	200.00
		£	180.00
Payments in	£	2,517.50	
Cheques not yet showing on bank statement:			£ -
Balance of Treasurer's Account 08.09.22			£ 27,884.02
Community Fund	£	22,135.85	
RCC Funds	£	5,748.17	

The second precept payment from NCC has been received. £2517.50

ii. The following payments were agreed:

Clerk salary £503.70 (including a tax refund)

Website hosting fee - £108.00.

Payments proposed by Cllr Jarrett and seconded by Cllr Williams.

iii. Allotment Wardens Account:

Current balance - £1523.86

iv. Community Fund

- The Community Fund constitution was signed by the current members of the Community Council. This will be passed to Roger Carter, independent scrutineer, for signing.
- The Community fund finances currently stand at £22135.85.
- Jubilee celebration – The purchase of trees/saplings was agreed (see item 6).
- Community fund requests received for consideration:
Redwick Church Council request – this application discussed in detail. It was proposed and unanimously agreed that £5000.00 was put towards this request. Clerk to action.

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History Group request for The Pound – Councillors fully support this request but the quotes need to be refreshed. Quotes will be refreshed by the history group. Cllr Jarrett to action. It was agreed that the fund would support work up to £10,000. Clerk to send paperwork to the Chair for signing before passing on to the independent scrutineer.

11. **Items for Information:**

Payroll. It was confirmed that payroll would move to monthly issue.

The Clerk confirmed that she would be leaving her position with the Community Council at the end of December 2022. The Clerk was asked to contact OVW re advertising the position and also to send job description etc out to Councillors for consideration before the next meeting. The Clerk was also asked to research the protocol for disbanding a Community Council.

12. The date of the next meeting was agreed as Thursday, 17th November at 19:00, Redwick Village Hall.

Meeting ended at 20:40