



**You are summoned to attend a meeting of the  
FINANCE, PLANNING & ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE OF RAINFORD PARISH COUNCIL  
in the Council Chamber at Rainford Village Hall on Wednesday 08 March 2023 at 6.30pm**

**The press & public are invited to attend**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 08 February 2023**
- 3. Plans**

The following applications have been granted:

<i>P/2022/0607/HHFP</i>	<i>Two storey side extension and two storey rear extension following demolition of existing side extension (Resubmission) 54 Lathom Drive, Rainford</i>
<i>P/2023/0019/HHFP</i>	<i>Two storey side extension and garage conversion 24 Lakeside Gardens, Rainford</i>
<i>P/2023/0045/FUL</i>	<i>Siting of Storage Container All Saints Parish Church Hall, Church Road, Rainford</i>
<i>P/2023/0077/HHFP</i>	<i>Two storey side extension with single storey front extension to form porch 19 Mossborough Road, Rainford</i>

The following plans have been refused:

<i>P/2023/0044/HHFP</i>	<i>Single Storey rear extension Higher Lane Barn, Higher Lane, Rainford</i>
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*The application was considered over development of the original property and additionally no very special circumstances had been cited for building on the green belt*

New Applications:

<i>P/2023/0148/TPO</i>	<i>Works to various trees covered by a Tree Preservation Order 1 &amp; 3 Kenway, Rainford</i>
<i>P/2023/0176/FUL</i>	<i>Construction of a replacement dwelling, leisure building, garage and 2 commercial buildings Fire Clay Farm, Higher Lane, Rainford</i>

<i>P/2023/0178/HHFP</i>	<i>Erection of a part two storey part single storey rear extension, loft conversion with rear dormer and balcony, and front porch with canopy roof 325 Higher Lane, Crank</i>
<i>P/2023/0179/HHFP</i>	<i>Two storey rear extension and a loft conversion with rear dormer and balcony 327 Higher Lane, Crank</i>
<i>P/2023/0181/FUL</i>	<i>Erection of 1no dwelling following the demolition of existing dwelling house 61 Higher Lane, Rainford</i>
<i>P/2023/0199/HHFP</i>	<i>Erection of a first-floor rear extension and a single storey side/rear extension 112 St Helens Road, Rainford</i>

#### **4. Clerk's Report**

- i.** The meeting to prioritise the items on the Condition Report for the Village Hall has not yet taken place. This has been requested. Councillor Long asked for up-to-date information. The meeting has still not been arranged, but a further report has been received from the Estates Department. This is a separate agenda item
- ii.** A local organisation may wish to use the land at the rear of the Village Hall, which would alter the negotiations for the lease renewal. The organisation is also looking at the possibility of using the library building and building on the land behind the Golden Lion.
- iii.** The rear doors in the Main Hall have not yet been replaced. This has been chased, and the work will be completed in April 2023.
- iv.** The deadline for the application from Miller Homes has been extended to 09.04.2023 and the applicants have submitted revised documents. The Parish Council's further comments have been submitted.
- v.** The Annual meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Friday 19.05.2023 at 6pm and will be followed by the new Chairman's evening. The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Monday 22.05.2023 at 6pm and will be followed by the ordinary Council meeting for May 2023. Efforts are being made to encourage residents to attend, particularly the Annual Parish Meeting.
- vi.** The Eurovision Night Event is being advertised and almost 100 tickets have been sold so far.
- vii.** The main caretaker remains on sick leave and is currently due back at work on 11.04.2023.
- viii.** Gas quotes have been sought as the contract is due for renewal soon. The FPA committee considered that a fixed term agreement was not appropriate at the moment, but a variable tariff would be better given the current circumstances. Quotes are being sought.
- ix.** Access to the Green book online has been obtained.
- x.** The Coronation Dinner has been planned and advertised. Nearly 80 tickets have been sold so far. There will be a formal toast to the King and there will be a picture of him in the hall.
- xi.** The information, documentation and instructions for the Annual Governance And Review for the financial year 2022/23 have been received.
- xii.** The Liverpool Combined Authority has recently been given the power to improve bus services by reforming the current bus market. In response to these additional powers, it has undertaken a detailed assessment of the options available and would like to consult with as many residents as possible. Planned meetings/events from the 15<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2023 were requested, where representatives could attend or send information to raise awareness about Bus Reform. It has been suggested that the Annual Parish Meeting

would be an appropriate forum to consult with residents. Attendance at this meeting has not yet been confirmed.

- xiii. A Letter had been received from Frodshams Solicitors informing the Parish Council that it would be receiving a legacy from Annie Lawson's estate. Frodshams subsequently informed me that the legacy was for the Parish Church, not the Parish Council.
- xiv. Information regarding Health & Safety training for Councillors has been received.
- xv. The costs for call outs via the security system on the Village Hall is increasing by 12.5%.
- xvi. Rainford in Bloom has been nominated for a King's Award for Voluntary Service.
- xvii. A quote for solar panels on the Village Hall has been obtained. There are various options.

#### **5. Income & Expenditure for March 2023**

*See separate documents for the details of the receipts and payments for March 2023*

Receipts £ 17768

Payments £ 24307

Bank balances @ 31.03.2023:

Current Account: £ 4316 Business Account: £47653 Christmas Fayre Account: £3375

Liabilities: £: 2258

Debtors £ 4251

Payments include February and March 2023 staff costs

#### **6. Village Hall Repairs and Terms for the New Lease**

*See separate document.*

#### **7. Financial Year End**

#### **8. The Marquee at the Golden Lion**

*The email regarding this from the Planning Department at St Helens Council was forwarded to members on 29.03.2023*

#### **9. Gas Renewal Quotes**

*See separate document*



**Clerk & RFO**

**Rainford Parish Council**