

# **RUSHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Parish Council Meeting Minute Book**

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**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015 in the Village Hall.**

**Attendance**

Cllr. R King (Chairman)  
Cllr. M Thompson  
Cllr. P Palmer  
Cllr. Mrs Brightman  
Cllr. R Gardiner  
Cllr. P Hooton  
Cllr. N Tye  
Cllr. Mrs D Silverstone

KBC Councillor David Howes  
NCC Councillor Jim Hakewill  
Mick George  
There were six parishioners in attendance

**15/046 Apologies**

Cllrs. Abraham and Wass. Richard Reed (Clerk); Police

**15/047 local Policing**

The latest available crime report was discussed.

**15/048 Rushton Landfill Site Update**

Mick George discussed the current situation with the site.

**15/049 Parishioners' Questions**

It was noted that the "Trout Farm" was now licensed and the owner's activities are apparently unrestricted.

There were reports of Wright's lorries passing through the village after midnight and it was suggested that the Environment Agency be contacted to take action under its powers.

Concerns over the condition of Oakley Road continue and it was questioned if value for money was being attained.

Pipewell residents continue to be troubled by the weight and volume of HGVs passing through the village.

**15/050 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations in respect of the agenda items.

**15/051 Minutes of the AGM held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

It was proposed by Cllr. Tye and seconded by Cllr. Thompson and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2015 and previously circulated to Members, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting.

**15/052 Matters arising**

The refurbishment of the white lines has now been completed. Some yellow lines still outstanding – Northamptonshire Highways to be notified.

The lease for the allotments had now been received for signing. **Action: KA; RK; Clerk**

**15/053 Ward Councillor**

Pending the arrival of Cllr. Hakewill, this item was moved forward.

Cllr. Howes said that a planning application for Non-material Amendment to the trout farm had been submitted and both he and Cllr. Hakewill had applied to have it called-in. However, Peter Chaplin, the officer involved, had rebuffed the request and written at length to Cllr. Howes. The likely outcome is that there will be no objection and Mr Thomas will be allowed to get the amendment approved.

**15/054 Rushton Community Mini-bus**

The current financial statement was considered. Since the last meeting, NCC's grant of £3354 had been received together with £50 private hire fees.

**15/055 Highway Issues**

It was reported that the Rothwell Road sign needed cleaning and Cllr. Mrs Brightman said that she would contact the Street Doctor. **Action: JB**

It was noted that the Pipewell Scheduled Monument is to be sold off.

**Chairman**

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An extension of the 30mph speed restriction is to be requested in Rothwell Road to the hump backed bridge. **Action: Clerk**

### **15/056 County Councillor**

Cllr. Hakewill had met with various senior officers and councillors regarding the trout farm but the outcome appears to be that nothing can be done to change or add conditions to the development. Soil movements of up to 45,000 tonnes had been agreed on a self-monitoring basis.

In respect of the weight limit, lorry movements in Pipewell associated with the site have reduced a bit but the road was now being used by all sorts of lorries.

Cllr. Hakewill suggested an open meeting to which Mr Thomas would be invited to be interviewed. All agreed to this and Cllrs. Hakewill and Howes are to follow this up.

### **15/057 Community Speed Watch**

Cllrs. Wass and Gardiner reported on the first week of the operation of the above. On Desborough Road, 144 motorists were travelling in excess of 35mph with the highest recorded speed being 55mph. All offenders will get letters from the Police.

### **15/058 Traffic Calming**

This item deferred for the present.

### **15/059 Recreation Ground**

A Grant Offer has been received from Grantscape for the footpath improvements to the Recreation Ground. The Parish Council is required to make a Contributing Third Party Payment of £644. Cllr. Gardiner proposed, and Cllr Thompson seconded that the payment be made. All were in favour.

### **15/060 NCALC Membership**

Having previously been debated by e-mail, it was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Silverstone and seconded by Cllr. Tye that the Parish Council would re-subscribe to NCALC.

### **15/061 New Albion Wind Farm**

(a) The promised report on the proposed Community Benefit Scheme had not been received from Marlies Koutstaal for the meeting.

(b) Cllr. King had been in correspondence with KBC over a proposed 8<sup>th</sup> turbine requesting an EIA which the Borough had said would not be required. Cllr. King has replied refuting this response and awaits further comments. He will also be writing to John Laing requesting that the proposal for an 8<sup>th</sup> turbine is not pursued. **Action: RK**

### **15/062 Finance**

(i) The Cllr. King presented the current statement of accounts. There had been no receipts since the last meeting.

(ii) The following invoices were approved for payment, Proposed by Cllr. Tye and seconded by Cllr. Mrs Brightman.

Minibus account-

AK Kettering Station Ltd £59.86 Cheque No. 190

Ordinary account-

NCALC £267.19 Cheque No. 100733

Wayne Sumpter £75.00 Cheque No. 100734

Rushton Village Hall £40.00 Cheque No. 100735

BDO LLP £120.00 Cheque No. 100736

Mick George CTP £644.00 Cheque No. 100737

(iii) The Annual Audit Return was noted and approved, proposed Cllr. Tye, seconded Cllr. Mrs Brightman.

(iv) There was no other financial business.

### **15/063 Planning Matters**

Cllr. King presented the planning report which councillors discussed. A copy of the report is appended to these minutes.

### **15/064 Correspondence**

Various items of correspondence were considered.

### **15/065 Items requiring urgent attention, for information or for the next agenda**

Cllr. Tye advised that there are some changes to be made to the road markings around the new A43/CLR roundabout.

### **15/066 Date of next meeting**

7:30pm Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015 in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9:50pm.

**Chairman**

**Date**