# RUSHTON PARISH COUNCIL Parish Council Meeting Minute Book

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016 in the Village Hall.

#### **Attendance**

Cllr. K Abraham (Chairman)

Cllr. P Palmer Cllr. N Tye Cllr. R King

Cllr. Mrs Brightman

NCC Councillor Jim Hakewill Part meeting
Steve Hodges (Mick George) Part meeting
Police Part meeting

There were three parishioners in attendance.

## 16/067 Apologies

Cllrs. Spickett; Gardiner; Wass; Hooton; Thompson.

## 16/068 Local Policing

The full report was not yet available but details of three reported crimes during August were discussed. Cllr. King spoke of parking issues and the officers agreed to carry out checks and take enforcement action as necessary.

## 16/069 Mick George-Rushton Landfill Site Update

Mr Hodges said that there had been no issues since the last meeting but it was reported that Oakley Road was breaking up. There were also reports of HGVs travelling through the village early in the morning but these were not attributed to MGL's activities.

### 16/070 Parishioners' Questions

- (i) Some of the weed growth at the base of the Rushton Hall wall had been sprayed. The Clerk is to check back on the report to The Street Doctor to see what the current situation was. **Action: Clerk**
- (ii) Traffic issues through the village were discussed, particularly the speed and volume of traffic. Action was requested to enforce a reduction in speeds by means of chicanes, etc. the Clerk referred to NCC Cllr. Hakewill's suggested questionnaire which he hoped to launch in October.
- (iii) There was concern over the large poplar tree behind the Village Hall. Cllr. Abraham said he would carry out an inspection. **Action: KA.**

### 16/071 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations in respect of the agenda items.

## 16/072 Minutes of the meeting held on 12th July 2016

It was proposed by Cllr. King and seconded by Cllr. Tye and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016 and previously circulated to Members, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting.

### 16/073 Matters arising

- (i) The Clerk said that he had received no response from the Environment Agency over the new ditches at Pipewell. Cllr. King said he would contact KBC and the Clerk would check with NCC. **Action: BK/Clerk**
- (ii) The Clerk gave an update on the bridge replacement on public footpath GY13 and the likely reason for the replacement being less wide than the original.

#### 16/074 Ward Councillor

Cllr. Howes not present.

The County Councillor item was deferred pending Cllr. Hakewill's arrival.

#### 16/075 Rushton Community Minibus

The Clerk presented the current statement of accounts. £278.00 had been received in private hire fees since the last meeting. Regarding the use of the vehicle to supplement other bus services, an informal meeting had been held with Cllr. Abraham, John Jefferis, KBC Cllr. Howes and NCC councillor but nothing further had been heard.

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## 16/076 Highway issues

- (i) Traffic Calming: largely dealt with under 16/070 (ii). It was agreed to go ahead with the questionnaire.
- (ii) Parking in High Street discussed and the Clerk referred to Northamptonshire Highways' suggested use of H-Bar markings. Details of the costs to be determined and a copy of NH's response to be forwarded to Cllr. Tye. Action: Clerk.
- (iii) Details of a number of forthcoming road closures were discussed.

## 16/077 Recreation Ground

Discussions on an all-weather pitch and picnic benches deferred until the next meeting.

Action: Clerk

Cllr. Hakewill arrived at 8:40pm

#### 16/078 County Councillor

Cllr. Hakewill agreed to follow-up the launch of a questionnaire.

He has asked for funds to repair the haunches along Oakley Road as his local project.

Nothing further on the Trout Farm situation.

#### 16/079 New Albion Wind Farm

Cllr. King gave an update on the situation. A panel to consider applications had been set up and comprised Cllrs. Mrs Brightman, King, Gardiner, Hooton, Palmer, Spickett and Thompson. Mrs Jackie Hands is the Rushton residents' representative and there will be a Pipewell resident. The first meeting to consider applications is scheduled for 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017. Cllr. King had learnt that there would be a limit over how much could be carried over to the next year if not all allocated.

## 16/080 Website

The site was almost ready to go live. Action: Clerk

#### 16/081 Finance

- (i) The Clerk 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. King and seconded by Cllr. Palmer:

## Minibus account-

Retrospective 08.08.16 AK Kettering Station Ltd. £55.55 Cheque No. 208

R Reed Part salary £410.00 Cheque No. 209

Tyetune Auto Services £12.29 Cheque No. 210

Ordinary account-

Northants CALC £39.00 Cheque No. 100772

Mancraft Fencing Ltd £708.00 Cheque No. 100773

BDO LLP £120.00 Cheque No. 100774

The Play Inspection Co. £75.00 Cheque No. 100775

Ladywell Accountancy Services £25.00 Cheque No. 100776

HMRC PAYE £245.80 Cheque No. 100777

R Reed Part salary & expenses £699.30 Cheque No. 100778

Rushton Village Hall hire; £20.00 Cheque No. 100779

(iii) The Clerk presented the Annual Audit Report. There were no issues arising. Cllr. Tye proposed that the report be approved and this was seconded by Cllr. King.

## 16/082 Planning Matters

Cllr. King presented the Planning report a copy of which is appended to these minutes. Regarding the Gladman appeal, cllr. King said he would speak to Cllr Howes but it was unlikely that there would be any additional comments.

# 16/083 Correspondence

Various items of correspondence were considered.

## 16/084 Items requiring urgent attention, for information or for the next agenda

An update of the extension to the 30mph limit in Desborough Road was awaited.

#### 16/085 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 8th November 2016 in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9:20pm.

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