

# **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> October 2018 in the Village Hall.**

### **Attendance**

Cllr. K Abraham	Chairman
Cllr. P Palmer	
Cllr. R King	
Cllr. Mrs Brightman	
Cllr. N Tye	
Cllr. C Spickett	
Cllr. R Gardiner	

Neil Johnson MGL	Part meeting
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NCC Cllr. J Hakewill	Part meeting
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There were eight parishioners in attendance.

### **18/112 Apologies**

Cllrs. Hooton, Wass and Thompson. KBC Cllr. D Howes, Police.

### **18/113 Local Policing**

Details of local crime events are available on the Police website.

### **18/114 Mick George-Rushton Landfill Site Update**

Mr Johnson apologised for missing the site visit. This was rearranged for Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 10:00am. Cllr. King is to notify Mr Johnson of the numbers attending prior to the meeting, **Action: BK**

Mr Johnson gave an update of the activities at the site. The number of reports about odours had reduced.

### **18/115 Parishioners' Questions**

Following on from the above item, the residents put forward details of complaints that had been made so far which already exceed the numbers for 2017 with 299 having been recorded. Mr Johnson replied that MGL has not received that volume of reports from the Environment Agency. He asked that reports of odours, etc., be copied to MGL on [Complaints@mickgeorge.co.uk](mailto:Complaints@mickgeorge.co.uk)

No further planning applications have been submitted so far. The lights at the site are on longer for extended hours working. A request was made for a statement of planning applications granted. There was concern over the lack of information from the EA.

In respect of HGV issues, MGL lorries breaching the AWR are to be reported to MGL. Mr Johnson agreed to impose a speed restriction on MGL vehicles to be enforced using trackers on the vehicles.

Mr Johnson said that he would ensure that the emergency telephone number on the gate was up to date.

There was concern over insurance cover for the minibus as the MIDAS certification for some drivers had expired and retraining was awaited. The Clerk said that he would check with the insurers and contact John Jefferis about getting the retraining brought forward. **Action: Clerk**

### **18/116 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations in respect of the agenda items.

### **18/117 To approve the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 11.09.18**

It was proposed by Cllr. Mrs Brightman and seconded by Cllr. Palmer and agreed unanimously that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018 and previously circulated to Members, be accepted and signed as a true record of that meeting.

### **18/118 Matters arising**

There were no matters arising that were not covered by agenda items.

### **18/119 Ward Councillor**

Cllr. Howes was not present.

### **18/120 Rushton Community Minibus**

The Clerk presented the current statement of accounts. There had been private hire payments of £236.00 received since the last meeting.

Driver numbers were discussed together with the insurance issues raised under 18/115.

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### **18/121 Highway Issues**

The Clerk had enquired about the speed restriction extension in Desborough Road and found that this was on hold due to the financial situation at NCC. He had obtained a quote of £1337.50 + VAT for the work but this was considered to be too high for the Parish Council to take on. It was not possible to use existing weight limit posts as these were not in the correct position. The Clerk was asked to see if the restriction could be extended to the location of the Posts. **Action: Clerk**

### **18/122 Recreation Ground**

Cllr. Gardiner referred to the recent annual inspection report and said that there were no major issues identified. There was a need to tidy the area where the old apparatus had been. The Clerk had been contacted by Jack Hubbard regarding summer fitness schools and it was agreed to express an interest in this for next year. **Action: Clerk**

### **18/123 New Albion Wind Farm**

At the last meeting, grants were approved for the speed indicator device and the recreation ground benches. £21,380.26 remains in the fund and applications are required.

### **18/124 Defibrillator**

The defibrillator is now in place outside the Thornhill Arms. The Chairman thanked all who contributed to the equipment and to Cllrs. Wass and Gardiner for their work in seeing the project through. Training is available as required. Cllr. Was is to be asked for a note for The Triangle.

### **18/125 County Councillor**

Cllr Hakewill said that the Councillor Empowerment Fund was unlikely to be available now but he would support any requests.

It was noted that the haunch on Oakley Road had now settled and was not a problem.

Regarding the west of Corby development, funding may be available for traffic measures.

NCC issues discussed included the financial situation, unitary situation and gritting cuts.

Cllr. Mrs Brightman asked if the trout farm works were going to finish in December.

Cllr. King had attended an exhibition about Corby West and had asked for it to be held at Rushton but had heard nothing further. Cllr Hakewill said he would make some enquiries.

### **18/126 2019/20 Budget**

The Clerk had previously circulated a draft budget which councillors discussed. Suggested items for consideration included a village sign and WWI silhouettes. **Action: Clerk**

The Clerk asked for details of changes/additions to the draft to be sent to him as soon as possible so that the draft could be revised for the January meeting. **Action: All**

### **18/127 Finance**

(i) The current statement of accounts was presented by the Clerk. There had been no receipts since the last meeting.

(ii) The Clerk presented the budget monitoring report to the end of October.

(ii) The following invoices were approved for payment, Proposed by Cllr. Gardiner and seconded by Cllr. Spickett:

Minibus account-

Tyetune Auto Services £153.94 Cheque No. 236

Ordinary account-

The Play Inspection Co. £78.00 Cheque No. 100831

R Reed Half-year expenses £122.18 Cheque No. 100832

Rushton Village Hall 2x invoices £60.00 Cheque No. 100833

Rushton Parish News Publications £750.00 Cheque No. 100834

Cllr. Tye said that the Post Office was not too reliable. Cllr. Gardiner confirmed that there was no cost to either the Village Hall or the Parish Council if it was not present.

(iii) VAT claims can now be submitted online.

### **18/128 Planning Matters: To Receive the Planning Report**

Cllr. King presented his report.

KET/2018/0609: Application for LBC: repairs to wall at site of former Parish Hall. No objections.

KET/2018/0748: Application for change of use for The Hovel, Glendon Lodge Farm. No objections.

KET/2018/0808: Application for change of use of agricultural storage barn for keeping livestock and temporary mobile home for agricultural worker, Glendon Farm. No objections.

KET/2018/0840: Two storey side extension 9 High Street Rushton. Just received but probably no objections.

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Cllr. King spoke of his visit to a meeting at Cottingham Village Hall with Cllr. Hooton. He is trying to get a similar meeting held at Rushton. **Action: BK**

It is understood that the decision on the landfill application was on hold pending investigations into the recent fatal accident.

**18/129 Correspondence**

As per list circulated to Members.

**18/130 items requiring urgent attention, for information or the next agenda**

The Chairman spoke of the Acts of Remembrance and it was agreed that letters of appreciation be sent to the piper and the ladies who knitted the poppies. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr. Tye said that the owner of the land by the railway had now sold this to Frank Beale and the squatter had been given notice to leave.

**18/131 Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in the Village Hall.

As there was no further urgent business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:10pm.