

## Rushton Parish Council

### Minutes of the ordinary Parish Council meeting

held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

**Present:**

**Councillors:** Peter Hooton (Chair), Bob King (Vice Chair), Joy Brightman, Mike Brightman, Sandy Cruickshank, Beth Milne, Kevin O'Brien, Bill Parker

**In attendance:** Emma Fontaine (Clerk/RFO), NNC Councillor Jim Hakewill

1	<b>Apologies</b> No apologies were received. Cllr Palmer was not in attendance.
2	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest.
3	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022</b> The minutes dated 18.05.2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
4	<b>Local Issues Updates</b> a) <b>Local Policing:</b> the Police report for May and June was received and noted. b) <b>Mick George Landfill:</b> the Environment Agency report was received and noted. c) <b>Camgrain:</b> no representatives were present. d) <b>Speed Sign:</b> no update, standing item to be renamed 'Speeding Issues'. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b> Cllr Cruickshank will ask the Police to return to monitor speeds on Desborough Road now the roadworks have been removed. <b>ACTION: Cllr Cruickshank.</b> e) <b>HGV/Road Issues:</b> The tarmac on Desborough Road has been affected by the intense heat. It was resolved to query the status of repairs with Ian Boyes. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b>
5	<b>Public Open Forum</b> No members of the public were present during the meeting.
6	<b>Updates</b> <b>a) Matters Arising From 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022 Meeting</b> The Clerk will forward the street light map to Councillors for review. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b> The Clerk will also confirm if Cllr Cedwien Brown (NNC) had any update on the issue relating to CCTV (Pipewell road closure/fly tipping) discussed last meeting. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b> In relation to the new village sign, the Clerk will write to the adjacent Landowner to confirm the positioning and ensure there are no objections to its placement. Additionally, the Clerk will ask Glyn Mould if a new post for the Pipewell sign can be provided. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b> <b>b) Councillor and Clerk Reports</b> Councillor and Clerk reports were noted. Any issues requiring discussion or resolution were added to the agenda.
7	<b>NNC Councillor Update</b> Cllr Hakewill provided an update on matters relating to North Northants Council. He requested the details for Camgrain, which the Clerk will provide. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b> Further to discussion regarding waste collections, Cllr Parker will provide information for the noticeboard and The Triangle magazine. <b>ACTION: Cllr Parker.</b> NNC have a proposal to charge extra for emptying green waste bins. Cllr Hooton has been canvassing Cllr Howes to get this initiative stopped and reported that there has been a temporary reprieve while NNC reconsider the proposition. Cllr Hooton suggest NNC Councillors continue to be canvassed to try and stop the implementation of the new charges. <b>ACTION: All.</b>

8	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>The following documents/items were reviewed and approved:</p> <p>a) The accounts for Rushton Parish Council and the Community Minibus.</p> <p>b) The payments provided on the payment schedule.</p> <p>c) The closure of the HSBC and Virgin Money accounts.</p>
9	<p><b>Community Minibus</b></p> <p>The section 22 permit is in place and the full service is up and running again. All drivers are undergoing DBS checks via the school.</p>
10	<p><b>Recreation Ground</b></p> <p>A final report relating to the tree work grant will be provided to the Wind Farm Fund. <b>ACTION: Cllr M Brightman.</b></p>
11	<p><b>Pocket Park</b></p> <p>There was nothing significant to report.</p>
12	<p><b>Wind Farm Fund</b></p> <p>Cllr King reported that £2,638.68 is currently available but a further instalment of circa £30,000 is due in August. The Clerk will add the possibility of a new village map to the agenda next meeting, possibly to be funded from a Wind Farm Fund grant. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b></p>
13	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan</b></p> <p>It was resolved to appoint Kevin Abrahams to the Advisory Committee. The Housing Needs Assessment is currently being carried out. An event will be held in August to promote the work currently being undertaken.</p>
14	<p><b>Platinum Jubilee Party</b></p> <p>The Chairman expressed thanks to the Committee for organising a great event that brought the community together. Additionally, Camgrain and Mick George were thanked for their generous support. The Clerk will work on final finance arrangements which will be reflected in the accounts produced for the next meeting. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b></p>
15	<p><b>Planning Committee</b></p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0421</u></b> Application for an extension to Bramley Cottage, 4 Station Road. No objections but said materials to match existing house would be preferable.</p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0316</u></b> Application to remove hedge on right hand side going towards the bridge on Pipewell Road. Permission has been granted despite the application giving the wrong reasons for the hedge removal.</p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0407</u></b> Application to remove hedge on right hand far side of bridge on Pipewell Road. Cllr King has written to planning to express our objections to the piecemeal approach to the removal of hedgerows. One has been removed without planning permission, we have had 2 applications and presumably we will get another application for the 4th hedge. Councillor Hakewill is pursuing this. <b>ACTION: Cllr Hakewill.</b></p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0293</u></b> Application for a temporary ticket office at Triangular Lodge. No objections. It has been approved.</p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0353</u></b> Application for a phone mast on the parish border with Desborough. It is unclear whether the mast is to be on the verge or in the field. The documents suggest the mast is to be on the verge but the plans</p>

	and a site visit suggest it is to be in the field. Cllr King has written to planning for clarification. It would be too near to the road if on the verge.
16	<b>Road Safety Week</b> Cllr O'Brien has registered for the event in November.
17	The meeting closed at 9.25pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held at 7:30pm on <b>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022</b> in the Village Hall.

#### ACTION LOG

Item	Action	Who?
4d	Rename agenda item 'Speeding Issues'.	Clerk
4d	Ask the Police to return to Desborough Road to record monitor speeds now that the roadworks have moved.	Cllr Cruickshank
4e	Contact Highways re tarmac issues along Desborough Road.	Clerk
6a	Street light map for the village to be circulated to Councillors.	Clerk
6a	Contact Cllr Cedwien Brown re CCTV/Pipewell road closure/fly tipping issue.	Clerk
6a	Write to Landowner, adjacent to new village sign.	Clerk
6a	Request a new post for the village sign in Pipewell.	Clerk
7	Provide Camgrain contact details to Cllr Jim Hakewill.	Clerk
7	Provide information on waste collections for publication (Triangle/noticeboards).	Cllr Parker
7	Continue to canvas NNC Councillors re the green waste charges.	All
10	Provide final report re Recreation Ground works to the Wind Farm Fund.	Cllr M Brightman
12	Add 'village map' to September agenda.	Clerk
14	Complete financial work on the Platinum Jubilee Party.	Clerk
15	Advise Planning (NNC) that the approach to the removal of the hedges has not been well handled.	Cllr Hakewill