

Rushton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on Tuesday, July 1 2017 at Rushton Methodist Church, Sugar Street, Rushton.

Chairman	Mr R Steele		
Vice Chairman	Mrs S Hughes		
Councillors	Mrs S J Bostock Gibson	Mrs J Matravers	Mr R Bailey
	Mr D W Lovatt	Mr L W Young	
Visitors	Mrs K Davies, Mr R Bailey		
Clerk	Mrs J Sherratt		

1. Apologies

Mr G R Betton, Mr D F Trueman

2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, held on June 5 2017

These had been circulated and were signed as correct by the Chairman.

3. Declaration of Interest

4.2 Cllr. Bailey

4. Planning

- 4.1 SMD/2017/0258 Outline planning permission with all matters reserved (except access and layout) for a dwelling at Cloudside House, Cloudside, Congleton

The majority of the Members of Rushton Parish Council are in favour of this Planning Proposal

Whilst acknowledging that it is located in the "Green Belt", there is the exceptional circumstance of this location having a previous dwelling situated there.

- 4.2 SMD/2016/0546 The installation of a duplex grade sewage pumping station, pumping main, KEE Nu Disc sewage treatment plant and associated drainage at Punch Partnership (PTL) Ltd., The Knott Inn Station Lane, Rushton Spencer

Members of Rushton Parish Council support this Planning Proposal, but question the need why such a large capacity is needed.

- 4.3 SMD/2017/0223 Erection of single storey extension and conversion/alteration of outbuilding to form additional accommodation at Mill House, Cloudside, Congleton

Members of Rushton Parish Council fully support this Planning Proposal.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

5.1 Highways

Old Road

Cllr. Hughes was in possession of a video made by Mr R Milne, showing vehicles travelling up and down the "Old Road."

Cllr. Hughes to liaise with C.C. Mrs C G Heath on the following issues:-

- Enforcement of 7 and a half ton weight limit
- 30 m.p.h. speed limit
- Speed calming measures
- Speed indicating cameras?
- Possible movement of one of the speed cameras on the Main Road to the Old Road.

Concern over dead tree, falling over opposite Sandbank Farm.

Refer to Highways. Ref. No.4084326

Highways report – cannot find tree in question

Caravan situated on the pavement and blocking it for pedestrians, at the Hanging Gate, opposite the Beat Lane turning. Not a Highways issue, a Police obstruction issue. Police Ref. No. 30.07/633

Overgrown vegetation blocking pavement from the "Royal Oak" northwards. Ref. No.4086213

Outside Bandridge Cottage, stones on edge of roadside – possible traffic hazard. Ref.No.4086214

5.2 Neighbourhood Plan Area

Progressing well

5.3 Ivy Cottage

Nothing further to report

6. Parish Development Boundary

Letter to Karen Bradley, M.P.

After a talk given to the Staffordshire Moorlands Parish Assemble by Mark James, Members of Rushton Parish Council have raised the following questions:-

- ❖ Can you confirm if the Local Development Framework Plan has been completely disregarded?

- ❖ Can Staffordshire Moorlands District Council please comment on the money wasted in the completion of this Plan?

- ❖ Where can we obtain the costs involved in completing this Plan?

- ❖ Will the Parish Council be informed of future development boundaries and policies?

We await your reply.

c.c. Sybil Ralphs S.M.D.C.
Dai Larner S.M.D.C.

7.1 “Fly the Red Ensign” for Merchant Navy Day – 3rd September 2017

Correspondence received

8. Finance

July

7.1 Raise a cheque for £20.00 for hire of Rushton Methodist Church

Cheque No. 668 Signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. R A Bailey

Cllr. Hughes asked if the Parish council would be prepared to make a donation to “The Link”

Cllr. Steele proposed £100.00. seconded by Cllr. Young.

A vote was taken and the proposal was passed by 5 votes to 2

7.2 Raise a cheque for £100.00 for "The Link"

Cheque No. 669 Signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. R A Bailey

7.3 To acknowledge Village Lengthsman repayment of £288.00, which is supposedly intended for another Parish? (They have already received a cheque for this amount)

Clerk to contact S.C.C. as to how the money can be repaid.

After July Meeting

Co-op Bank 1,008.82

NatWest Bank 2,542.09

Neighbourhood Plan

Balance £4,950.00

8. Open Forum

Mr R Milne

The Chairman to write a letter to Mr Milne, as he is not happy with the Council's request asking him to cut his tenanted property's hedge at his address on the Old Road.

9. Date of next meeting –Tuesday, August 1st 2017 – later postponed.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.04 pm

Signature _____

Date _____