

## Rushton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on Wednesday, November 15 2017 at Rushton Methodist Church, Sugar Street, Rushton.

Chairman	Mr R Steele		
Vice Chairman	Mrs S Hughes		
Councillors	Mrs J Matravers	Mr G R Betton	Mr D W Lovatt
	Mr D F Trueman	Mr L W Young	
Clerk	Mrs J Sherratt		

1. Apologies  
Mr R Bailey

2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, held on October 4 2017  
These had been circulated and were signed as correct by the Chairman.

3. Election of Parish Councillor

The Clerk had contacted S.M.D.C. for advice on the correct procedure, to elect a new Councillor.

Posters had been displayed on the Noticeboards and on the website – if parishioners wanted a Parish election, 10 signatures would be required by S.M.D.C.

Mandy Pattinson, Senior Elections Officer had informed the clerk that no signatures had been received and therefore the Parish Council could go ahead and co-opt someone onto the Council.

3 candidates expressed an interest and came forward: - Mr Malcolm Bailey, Mr Martin Chester and Mr Robert Milne.

After 2 secret rounds of voting, Mr Milne was declared the new Councillor.

Following letter to Mr Milne:-

*At their meeting on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 2017, Members of Rushton Parish Council chose who their new Parish Councillor would be.*

*As you already know, your application was successful.*

*Our next Meeting is provisionally fixed for Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup>, but is more likely to be on Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 2018. All meetings start at 7.30 pm, except the A.G.M. in May which begins at 7.00 pm.*

*If you would like your agendas and minutes sent by e-mail, could you please let me have your e-mail address?*

Following letters to Mr Bailey and Mr Chester:-

*At their meeting on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 2017, Members of Rushton Parish Council chose who their new Parish Councillor would be.*

*As you already know, your application was unsuccessful.*

*I have been asked to thank you for showing an interest in the position, and should a vacancy arise in the future, please feel free to put your name forward again.*

4. Declaration of Interest

None.

5. Planning

No planning applications received.

DOC17/0086 Determinant of Condition 4 at New Hall Farm, Dingle Lane has been seen on internet.

6. Matters arising from the Minutes

6.1 Highways

Concern over dead tree, falling over opposite Sandbank Farm.

Refer to Highways. Ref. No.4084326

Highways report – cannot find tree in question

Telephoned again, and gave the inspector Cllr. Bostock Gibson's telephone number to ring and hopefully assist him in locating the problem tree!

The Chairman is now to deal with this problem tree.

6.2 Neighbourhood Plan

Plan, progressing well.

First draft to hopefully be completed, by the end of March 2018.

6.3. "Dogs on leads" signs on Railway Track

Following letter to Rights of Way, S.C.C.

*Following further incidents of sheep worrying, could we please have some "Please keep your dogs on leads" or "Please keep your dogs under control" signs.*

*Thank you.*

Two sorts of signs received. To be forwarded to Cllr. Bailey to erect in suitable locations.

Cllr. Bailey to liaise with the Ranger re fences

6.4 Advertising on Railway Track

Following letter to S.C.C.:-

*Are you aware of signs advertising/promoting a business on the Staffordshire Way at Rushton Spencer?*

*Following a complaint by a Parishioner, we have been asked to contact you and enquire if you have any objections to these signs being there?*

Reply from S.C.C. :-

S.C.C. wished to receive a picture of the sign and its location.

Response:-

*The sign is on the Rushton to Rudyard Railway Track, known as "The Staffordshire Way".  
Photographs enclosed as requested.*

7. Correspondence

Others

7.1 Letter from Karen Bradley. M.P.

Karen Bradley, M.P. is organising 2 "Coach Tours to London in January 2018

8. Rushton School "Safety Camera" signs

Discussion adjourned until January Meeting

9. Finance

November

9.1 Raise a cheque for £20.00 for the hire of the Church for the meeting

Cheque No. 673 Signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

9.2 Raise a cheque for £700.00 for Ken Wainman Associates – Neighbourhood Plan Consultant

Cheque No. 005 Signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

9.3 To acknowledge £10.00 received from Mr N Faulkner – for rent of land

After November Meeting

Co-op Bank

1,008.82

NatWest Bank 2,410.09

Neighbourhood Plan

Balance £3,200.00

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7. Open Forum

No items forthcoming.

8. Date of next meeting –Provisionally fixed for Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> 2017

Later postponed to Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 2018

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_