

## Rushton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on Wednesday, November 19 2014 at Rushton Methodist Church, Sugar Street, Rushton.

Chairman	Mr M Chester		
Vice Chairman	Mrs S J Bostock Gibson		
Councillors	Mrs P Brown	Mr R Bailey	Mr G R Betton
	Mr D W Lovatt	Mr R Steele	Mr D F Trueman
S.M.D.C. Councillor	Mrs N Hawkins		
Visitors	Mr and Mrs D Proctor, Mrs A Bailey		
Clerk	Mrs J Sherratt		

1. Apologies for absence

Mr L W Young

2. Approval of minutes of the previous meetings, held on October 6 2014

These had been circulated and were signed as correct by the Chairman, after amendments were made.

3. Declaration of Interest

4.2 Cllr. Trueman

4. Planning

4.1 SMD/2014/0619 Removal of existing conservatory and erection of single storey side extension at Springfield House, Mill Lane, Rushton Spencer

*Members of Rushton Parish Council have no objections to this Planning Proposal.*

4.2 SMD/2014/0633 Erection of a domestic garage/stables at Mill House Cottage, Mill Lane, Rushton Spencer

*Members of Rushton Parish Council have no objections to this Planning Proposal.*

4.3 SMD/2014/0665 Demolition of existing former garage/storage shed and ancillary offices. Erection of new building to include office accommodation and vehicle maintenance bays. Provision of new external works (resubmission of SMD/2014/0171) at Mill House Garage, Macclesfield Road, Rushton Spencer

*Members of Rushton Parish Council fully support this Planning Proposal*

- 4.4 SMD/2014/0666 Consent to display advertisement 1 fascia sign and 2 free standing signs to site entrance (resubmission of SMD/2014/0190) at Mill House Garage, Macclesfield Road, Rushton Spencer

*Members of Rushton Parish Council fully support this Planning Proposal provided that the signs are only illuminated during opening hours.*

- 4.5 SMD/2014/0701 Certificate of lawfulness for land forming part of domestic cartilage at Salters Ford Farm, Newtown Road, Newtown, Biddulph

*Members of Rushton Parish Council feel that they have insufficient information to form an opinion.*

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

5.1 Highways

Nothing further to report.

5.2 Village Lengthsman Scheme

Jobs for the Lengthsman:-

- Paint the railings near to Wolf Lowe Completed but need for some of the railings to be straightened
- Tidy up around Daniel's Well
- Clear the footpath from Sandbank Farm to the "Royal Oak" Work completed

5.4 Rushton Churchyard

Letter received from St. Lawrence P.C.C. – they are in agreement with having the tip removed and the hedges cut in the Churchyard.

They questioned whether payment would be made to the P.C.C. or to the contractors.

It was decided that on completion of the work, the contractors would invoice the Parish Council directly with remittance to follow.

6. Correspondence

S.C.C.

6.1 Staffordshire Parish Councils Association

Correspondence received

S.M.D.C.

6.2 Weekly List of Planning Applications

Filed

6.3 Staffordshire Moorlands Parish Assembly

Questionnaire received

Next meeting December 4 2014

Others

6.4 Best Kept Village Competition

Entry forms received for 2015

6.5 From History to Today

Leaflet received

6.6 Peak District National Park Authority

Community Engagement Opportunity for Rural Villages and Communities in the Staffordshire Moorlands (within and bordering the Peak District)

Letter received.

7. Finance

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

Cheque No. 504 Signed by Cllr. S J Bostock Gibson and Cllr. D F Trueman

7.2 Raise a cheque for £62.00 for the hire of the Swythamley and Heaton Centre for the World War 1 Exhibition

Cheque No. 505 Signed by Cllr. S J Bostock Gibson and Cllr. D F Trueman

After October Meeting

Co-op Bank	1,006.80
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NatWest Bank	3,072.41
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November

Ruston Methodist Church	20.00
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Co-op Bank	1,006.80
NatWest Bank	2,990.41

8. Open Forum

"Royal Oak"

Share Offer closes November 21 2014.

Share = £50.00, with a minimum of £250.00, maximum of £100,000

Footpath "Royal Oak" to Church

Chairman to telephone the Ranger

2 stiles in a poor state of repair, 1 very high.

Drainage issues around Marsh Mews

Cllr. Hawkins, Mrs A Bailey and Mr and Mrs Proctor had all attended the Meeting to discuss the ongoing drainage problems on the ground around Marsh Mews. A letter was also received from the occupants of No. 1, Marsh Mews.

Following letter to Dai Lerner, Head of Planning, S.M.D.C., with copies to Sybil Ralphs, Leader of the Council, S.M.D.C., Simon Baker, Chief Executive, S.M.D.C. and the Environmental Health Officer, S.M.D.C.

*Before the houses were built at Marsh Villa on land belonging to Mr and Mrs Wormold there were no problems with the existing drainage from the Old Police House and Fernlea.*

*Despite objections from the Parish Council and the District Councillor, the houses now known as "Marsh Mews" were built with no-one taking responsibility for the drainage.*

*I enclose a letter from the residents of 1, Marsh Mews together with 3 photographs taken of the site.*

*Members of Rushton Parish Council were absolutely appalled at the state of the drainage and it was a unanimous decision that I should write to you and **DEMAND** that **IMMEDIATE** action is taken to rectify this terrible situation.*

Letter to Plus Dane Housing

*A house belonging to one of your tenants at 1, Marsh Mews, Rushton Spencer has severe drainage problems, Members of Rushton Parish Council would like to know "As a responsible landlord what do you propose to do about it".*

*An early reply would be appreciated.*

9. Date of next meeting provisionally agreed as Wednesday, December 17 at 7.30 pm.

Dependent on any responses received re "Marsh Mews".

Date favoured in New Year – Tuesday, January 20 2015.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.17pm

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ 379