

Rushton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on Wednesday, October 5 at Rushton Methodist Church, Sugar Street, Rushton.

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

1. Apologies

Mr R Bailey did not attend

2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, held on August 10 2016

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

3. Declaration of Interest

4.2 Cllr. Lovatt

4.4 Cllr. Steele

4. Planning

- 4.1 SMD/2016/0514 Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed erection of a single storey rear extension at Mill House, Cloudside, Congleton

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

- 4.2 SMD/DET/2016/0053 Proposed Implement Store at Ashmore House Farm, Dingle Lane, Rushton Spencer

This application had already been approved prior to the Meeting

- 4.3 SMD/2016/0566 Change of use of residential ancillary buildings to two new dwellings (resubmission of SMD/2016/0042) at Cloud Wood End Farm, Toft Green Lane, Cloud Side, Congleton

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

4.4 SMD/2016/0582 Proposed erection of detached 3-bedroom house and a single garage at Holly House, Sugar Street, Rushton Spencer

The Vice Chairman took the chair for this item.

Whilst Members of the Council are in favour of infill within the Village Boundary, they would like to object to this application for the following reasons:-

- ✚ Proposed house is not in proportion to the size of the site i.e. too large
- ✚ Overbearing on neighbouring properties
- ✚ Ongoing drainage issues
- ✚ Cutting down and removal of trees

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

5.1 Highways

Going up the Old Road from Rushton Spencer, the white line is not in the middle of the road. SK11 ORN Ref.No.4057980

“No action to be taken”

Pothole outside Springbank, by the water trough SK11 ORN Ref.No.4057981

“Waiting for repair to take place”

Overgrown hedges encroaching on road, catching high sided vehicles on the Old Road, leaving Rushton.

Ongoing, hopefully to be resolved in the near future

5.2 Village Lengthsman Scheme

Tidy up around road junctions and around Daniel’s well.

5.3 Dog Poo bins etc.

Decided to remove a bin from the village and place it near to the sign of the Staffordshire Way.

Signs to be placed on the railway track advising dog owners where the nearest bin is, for the disposal of their dog poo bags

5.4 Neighbourhood Plan Area

Next step;-

Representative from S.M.D.C. to talk to the Parish Council

5.5 HM Queen Elizabeth II 90th Birthday Commemorative Mugs

A few left to sell at a price of £3.50 each.

6. Correspondence

S.C.C.

6.1 Staffordshire Parish Council's Association

Correspondence received

Cheshire East Borough Council

6.2 Footpath No. 51 (Part) Parish of Rushton Spencer, County of Staffordshire, Public Path Diversion Order 2011

Letter received

S.M.D.C.

6.3 Weekly List of Planning Applications

Filed

Others

6.4 Audit

Audit concluded.

(i) Asset Register restated back to its 2015 value i.e. £37,694

(ii) In future, the Annual Governance Statement must be considered, approved and signed and given its own Minute Reference No. before the Accounting Statements are done likewise.

6.5 NatWest

Letter received - changes to terms and conditions

6.6 Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service

Leaflet received on Fire Safety

6.7 Douglas McMillan Hospice

Letter received asking for donation. Declined

6.8 Foxlowe Arts Centre, Leek

2 leaflets received on events taking place at the "Foxlowe"

7. Finance

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

Cheque No. 648 Signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

7.2 Raise a cheque for £475.74 for Mrs J Sherratt - Clerk

Salary £450.00

Expenses £ 25.74

Cheque No. 649 Signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

7.3 Raise a cheque for £20.00 for hire of Rushton Methodist Church, Neighbourhood Plan Meeting

Cheque No. 650 Signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

7.4 To acknowledge the Parish Precept paid into the account at the end of September 2016

After August Meeting

Co-op Bank 1,008.82

NatWest Bank 1,658.94

October

Rushton Methodist Church 20.00

Mrs J Sherratt 475.74

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8. Open Forum

Telephone box

Pane of glass missing from the Telephone Kiosk at Woodhouse Green

Ragwort

Cllr.Lovatt wanted everyone to remember where it is situated when looking out for Ragwort, so that the Council can spray the areas affected next year

Seat

Following letter to Mr S Cookson:-

It has been brought to our attention as to what a good job you have made, throughout the year, in keeping the area around the seat mown and in good condition.

I am sure that many passers bye are as grateful as the Council is!

Thank you so much

Land at Charles Knowles Lane

The Clerk to check up on when the rent was last paid:-

Year ended 31/3/2013 £10.00

9. Date of next meeting – Tuesday, November 8 2016

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.56 pm

Signature_____

Date_____

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