

## Rushton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on Tuesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> 2018 at Rushton Methodist Church, Sugar Street, Rushton.

Chairman	Mr R Steele		
Vice Chairman	Mr D W Lovatt		
Councillors	Mrs S Hughes	Mr R Bailey	Mr G R Betton
	Mr R Milne	Mr L W Young	
Clerk	Mrs J Sherratt		
Visitors	Mr Richards, Mr Olivier		

1. Apologies

Mrs J Matravers, Mr D F Trueman

2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held on August 8 2018. These had been circulated and were signed as correct by the Chairman

Mrs Heath had sent a detailed e-mail outlining all the points she had raised on Highways and Planning matters.

3. Declaration of Interest

None.

4. Planning

- 4.1 SMD/2018/0536 The proposal seeks to remove the existing garage to the rear along with the existing side and rear extension and replace these with a new rear extension at The Crest, Macclesfield Road, Rushton Spencer

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

- 4.2 SMD/2018/0365 Erection of 2 semi-detached houses, associated parking spaces and garden areas on land at Sugar Street, Rushton Spencer

This application has been refused.

This application is now up for approval again. Plans show a re-arrangement of dwellings on site.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

5.1 Highways

Potholes in Alley Lane, near to School House, SK11 OSF and outside Earlsway SK11 ORU  
Earlsway Ref. No.4136442

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Anyone seeing the caravan parked on the pavement, outside the Hanging Gate, to e-mail Gill Heath immediately who will then contact the police.

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5.2 Neighbourhood Plan

New grant application is required and more work needed

5.3 Items for the website

Cllr. Milne had produced a "Broad outline of Parish Council Basic Information for the Website."

- Outline of the purpose of a Parish Council
- Explanation of what it does for the community of the relevant parish
- Contact details for the clerk to the Parish Council
- Details of any other employed/engaged persons
- List of Council Members by name
- Note of their specific responsibilities, if any
- Contact details – email might be better than a phone number, but phone number too is usually given
- Hot topic – things that the Parish Council is actively pursuing on behalf of the community or in response to community issues raised with the Parish Council
  - Could have a variety of sub pages to cover the hot topics
  - Could have pages dedicated to specific items i.e. Planning etc.
  - Could have sub pages dedicated to other community activities that are either linked with or approved of by the Parish Council
- Fiscal and Fiduciary: Minutes, Agendas, Accounts and the suchlike
- Dates of future meetings

Councillors were in favour of these proposals.

6. Correspondence

S.M.D.C.

6.1 Chairman's Charity Ball – Saturday, October 6 2018

Letter received.

7. Finance  
Waiting for new cheque book to arrive

Current Account

2,900.71

Neighbourhood Plan balance

5.00

8. Open Forum

Mr Martin Goldstraw

Mr Goldstraw had e-mailed the clerk as he was having problems accessing the Parish Council website.

The clerk to reply, and to invite him if he was ever in the area on the day of our meeting, to call in and make himself known to us.

Dogs on leads

Another issue of dogs gaining access to fields via the railway line was discussed.

Agreed – this matter is not really the responsibility of the Parish Council, however the Parish Council consider that livestock should be safe in their fields.

The Parish Council have therefore approached the Staffordshire County Council who are responsible for this footpath, to ask for their assistance in enforcing the control of dogs,

It should, however, be noted that complaints to the Parish Council should be made in a controlled and considered manner.

9. Date of next meeting – Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 2018

All Councillors to meet , near to the Knott Inn on Station Road, at 6.00 pm to undertake site visits in regard to Planning Applications.

These will then be discussed at the normal meeting at Rushton Methodist Chapel at 7.30 pm

Future meetings provisionally fixed for November 6<sup>th</sup> and December 4<sup>th</sup> 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55 pm

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Date\_\_\_\_\_