

## Rushton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held by Zoom on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> 2020

Chairman	Mrs S Hughes		
Vice - Chairman	Mr R Steele		
Councillors	Mrs V Burns	Mr M Chester	Mr O Goodfellow
	Mr D W Lovatt	Mr J Woolley	
Clerk	Mrs J Sherratt		

1. Apologies

Mrs J Matravers, Mr D F Trueman.

2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, held by Zoom on October 6<sup>th</sup> 2020

Proposed by Cllr. Burns, seconded by Cllr. Steele with all in favour the Minutes were signed as being correct

The meeting was hosted by Cllr. Sam Hughes

3. Declaration of Interest

None

4. Planning

- 4.1 DOC/2020/0101 Conditions 8,15, 16 and 18 of DET/2020/0006 at Moss Cottage, Macclesfield Road, Rushton Spencer, Staffordshire SK11 OQU

As it was a DOC. Council decided not to comment

- 4.2 DET/2020/0051 Proposed new Agricultural Shed at East View. Cloudside, Congleton, Staffordshire CW12 3QG

As it was a DET, Council decided not to comment

- 4.3 SMD/2020/0636 Proposed replacement dwelling at Salters Ford Farm, Newtown Road, Newtown Road, Newtown, Biddulph, Staffordshire ST8 7SW

Query to Planning Department. Is this application in Rushton Parish?

4.4 SMD/2020/0666 Variation of conditions 2 and 5 relating to SMD/2016/0015 at Land at Sugar Street, Rushton Spencer, Staffordshire

Council holding a special meeting to discuss this application

5. Matters arising from the Minutes

5.1 Highways

At the end of January 2020, 40mph signs should have been replaced by 30mph signs, all through Rushton. Still ongoing. Delayed by corona virus

Latest news "Sometime soon"!

Vibrations being felt at Marsh Villa and Rushton Garage on the Main Leek to Macclesfield Road. Could Highways undertake a survey?

Ref. No. 4203827

Reply: No action to be taken. Monitoring will take place in future

Question: How will the monitoring take place and how often?

Complained again as to why no action would take place. New Ref. No 4206647

Reply: Non – urgent works instruction now in place

It is hoped that the 30mph signs when in place might help the vibrating situation

Latest news – Road will be repaired in 2022!

Parish Council will give guidance to owners of properties experiencing problems

Decibel readings need to be taken 24/7.

It is hoped the 30 mph Speed Limit might improve matters

Speedwatch suspended at the Moment

Water running down Sugar Street, outside school wall Ref. No. 4203828

Report again. Health and Safety hazard to Schoolchildren

A problem with signs from Beat Lane going through to Rudyard Lake has been passed on to C.C. G Heath

A pothole at the junction of Beat Lane and Long Edge Road has already been marked out.

Cllr. Chester is responsible for looking into the problem into wooden railings leaning near to the house belonging to Kate Brown on Beat Lane.

Stephen Hawford. S.C.C. will report back to Cllr. Chester this week.

Is it the landowner's responsibility or S.C.C? Divided opinion

## 5.2 Neighbourhood Plan

Nothing further to add

## 5.3 Rushton Churchyard

Thanks to Chris Dale and all others involved in charge of clearing the Churchyard

Stump grinder has now finished its work. Invoice received from David Hall for £450.00 + V.A.T. for the hire for a day.

Would Heaton Parish Council be willing to contribute to "light on sensors" or "solar lights"?

Heaton Parish Council will make a decision once they start meeting again in person

## 5.4 Lord Leighton of Staffordshire

Thank you cards have been posted to those who have gone out of their way to help during the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic

## 5.5 "Bus Stop" sign bent on the Main Road.

Sign set in concrete. Report filled in for it to be repaired

## 5.6 Overgrown trees

Overgrown trees on footpath near to Ryecroft Gate. Owner to be informed and also the same problem on the footpath from \*Royal Oak\* to Sandbank Farm

Following letter to Canals and River Trust:-

*May we bring to your attention the matter of overgrown trees obscuring the footpath in-between the "Royal Oak" and Sandbank Farm in Rushton Spencer?*

*I understand that they adjoin "The Feeder" Hopeful of a speedy solution*

5.7 Overgrown tree branches

Catching lorry mirrors on the A523 in-between the "Royal Oak" and Sandbank Farm

6. Correspondence

None

7. Closure of Dingle Lane

To be shut for 1 day beginning on December 17<sup>th</sup> over the next five days.

8. Finance

Neighbourhood Plan Account

Urban Imprint £888.00

Balance in account 5.00

Cheques to sign

Raise a cheque for Mrs J Goldstraw - Examiner of Accounts – for £25.00

Cheque signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

Raise a cheque for Mrs J Sherratt - Clerk – for £483.75

April 2020 – September 2020

Salary £450.00 Expenses £33.75

Cheque signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

Raise a cheque for Mr D Hall – use of stump grinder- for £540.00

Cheque signed by Cllr. R Steele and Cllr. D F Trueman

9. Open Forum

9.1 Houses at Marsh Mews, Macclesfield Road, Rushton Spencer

A house has once again been let at “Marsh Mews” without any local people or the Council being consulted.

Following letter to Ben Haywood and Mark James at S.M.D.C. Planning Dept.

- Could we please have a copy of the original agreement when Planning was granted for this development
- Any transfer of documents from Dane Housing to Dane+
- Why is the setting of these houses not advertised to local people?
- Advertised in a Newcastle paper. This is not local
- What are the future plans for the setting of these houses? 3 houses have been let without anyone in the Parish or surrounding Parishes having the chance to apply for one. Is this the way that they will be let in the future? How are local people to be advised that a house will become available?
- Would you like Rushton Parish Council to try and draw up a list of anyone interested in acquiring one of these houses?

9.2 Cllr. D F Trueman

After discussing the matter with Cllr. Steele, Cllr. Trueman does wish to remain on the Parish Council.

The Chairman to write to him re “Zoom” and Meeting by telephone.

9.3 Banking

Cllr. Chester has now sorted out the Building Society Signatures i.e. Roger Steele, Martin Chester, David Trueman and Jackie Matravers

He will now look into the prospect of “Internet Banking”

10. Dates of the next meetings

Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> 2020

Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> 2021

Later postponed by a fortnight

These Meetings will be held by “Zoom”

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_