

Rolleston on Dove Parish Council



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The Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month in the Old Grammar School Rooms. Meetings start at 1930, and are open to the Public. The agenda for each meeting can be found on the village website and on noticeboards during the week before the meeting is held. Should you wish to ask the Parish Council any questions or raise any points with us, 15 minutes at the beginning of each meeting are set aside for you. If you believe you have particular skills that the Parish Council or the village could utilise we'd love to hear from you. We still have one vacancy.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

At a Public Meeting on Monday 20th March we heard from lots of you (66 in attendance) and your views on the Neighbourhood Development Plan. You quite rightly aired your frustration at the history of our Plan, but many of you stated your wish to continue with a Neighbourhood Development Plan. We even received pledges of help from three of you who volunteered to join the Steering Group. The meeting finished on a very positive note and we wish to thank all of you who were there for your honest and valued opinions.

It was subsequently decided that we would continue with the Plan by using the current document as a starting point. The first step will be to meet with the Planners who were in attendance at the Public Meeting to confirm exactly how far back in the process we must go. We will keep you updated as and when we move forward.

We would also wish to publicly thank those residents who have been involved in the Steering Group along the way.

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

All Planning Applications submitted to East Staffordshire that effect Rolleston are published each Monday and can be found on the Council noticeboards outside Starbucks and the jitty to Meadow View. You can view all relevant documents on the East Staffordshire Website at www.eaststaffsbc.gov.uk

There is no decision made on the retirement bungalows proposed for Craythorne Road under application number P/2016/01507.

FLOOD ALLEVIATION

A meeting was held on Monday 3rd April with representatives from Staffordshire County Council, Severn Trent, Environment Agency, John of Rolleston Primary School, and several Residents to discuss concerns over flooding.

Organisations present were asked whether there were any plans for flood defences such as those built recently in Scropton, and other surrounding areas. Unfortunately there are no feasible solutions to the food risk in Rolleston on Dove therefore there are no plans for any defences. However for those properties affected by surface water flooding will be able to benefit from funding for property defences. If you believe you would benefit, and haven't been contacted by anyone from the County Council please let me know.

They also confirmed that the de-silting of Brook Hollows would not contribute to further flooding in the area.

Further work to ensure gullies are cleaned by the County Council is also planned by this group.

We have enquired with the Environment Agency about removing the two silt 'islands' which have built up, the first opposite the Spread Eagle below the weir, and the second next to the former Brook House Hotel. However they have stated this is part of 'environmental flood management' which can help with slowing the water, and distributes silt more evenly down the river instead of depositing it all in one place.

Call the Environment Agency incident hotline to report:

- o damage or danger to the natural environment
- o pollution to water or land
- poaching or illegal fishing
- dead fish or fish gasping for air
- o watercourses blocked by a vehicle or fallen tree
- flooding from main rivers
- illegal removals from watercourses
- unusual changes in river flow
- collapsed or badly damaged river or canal banks
 Telephone: 0800807060 (24-hour service)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 8th 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting, presentation of Rollestonian of the Year

May 13th 9am-noon Village Clean Up Day (meet on The Croft)

June 8th 6pm Village Footpaths Walk (1)

June 11th 10am Village Footpaths Walk (2)

June 12th 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting



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