

As the NDP had stalled, it was decided to hold a public meeting with to gauge the villagers' opinion on whether to continue with the plan submission, modified to include the College Fields development, or to not have a NDP. This public meeting took place on 20 March 2017 with the Parish Council, the remaining members of the NDP steering group, villagers, ESBC planning department representatives and ESBC Deputy Leader present. Following presentations and debate, it was agreed that the village should have a NDP.

At the next Parish Council meeting, councillors agreed to progress with a revised NDP. The Steering Group also received new members to assist with revising and updating the NDP.

The first meeting of the newly formed NDP Steering Group took place on 2 May 2017. The steering group agreed a strategy for going forward with the plan and a project plan devised. A successful grant application was made to Locality to finance the work up to Regulation 14. This resulted in the appointment of Urban Vision (UV) as consultants.

Recent activity

Over the last few months, the NDP Steering Group has met regularly and also reviewed other successful NDP documents. There has been a lot of research to ensure the most up-to-date information and statistics have been included.

The UV consultant has been present at some of those meetings where the NDP has been reviewed and updated, including the important policies section.

The NDP is now in conformity with ESBC's Local Plan and is currently undergoing the screening phase with ESBC and statutory consultee bodies. The planned submission date for Regulation 14, Pre-submission Consultation, is 21 April 2018.

The NDP was finalised at the Steering Group meeting held on 13 April 2018. A period of consultation and communication with villagers will soon take place. Copies of the draft Plan will be available in the village and information will be delivered to every residence in the village; A "drop-in" session is also being arranged.

The production of the NDP is on target to go to Referendum in November 2018 and be "made" at this end of this year.

FLOODING

The Parish Council have ordered 1,500 sand bags which will be distributed to properties at the greatest risk of flooding shortly along with a letter explaining the best way to use them.

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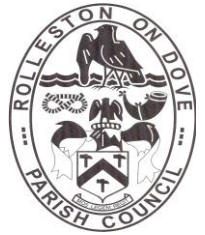
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NEW PARISH COUNCIL WEB SITE AND VILLAGE WEB SITE ARCHIVING

After over 20 years of voluntary work to set up and maintain the Rolleston on Dove village web site, Richard Bush will step down from his role as Village Web Master. On behalf of the whole village the Parish Council would like to thank Richard Bush for his time, effort and passion in collating and publishing historic information and photos, news, events and coverage of Parish Council matters including monthly agendas, meeting notes and financial information.

Richard has worked tirelessly to give the many village organisations a voice on the web and has contributed to the success of events in this vibrant village across two decades. His work has also undoubtedly enabled those with connections to the village stay in touch with life in our village wherever in the world they might be. Thank you Richard and we wish you well for the future.

The Parish Council have agreed to fund the minimal cost of archiving the current village web site so that it is available on line as a historic record of events in the village for the future, but no further updates will be made after 31st July 2018. To ensure the Parish Council continue to publish the information required of us by law, we have established a Parish Council web site <https://rollestonondovepc.co.uk/> . It has been developed at no cost to the Parish Council or residents by Cllr Steve McManus. It is intended initially that this web site will cover only Parish Council matters, but with the scope to cover contact details for village organisations as it develops.

Please visit the new web site for all Agendas, Meeting Minutes and Financial reporting from now on.

BELLWAY HOMES PRESENTATION OVERVIEW (college fields development)

Outline planning consent for 100 homes on the former College Field site had been awarded by the Secretary of State in December 2016. However before any construction work is started the developer is required to submit a detailed development plan with access, drainage, size and orientation of homes etc. Prior to the start of the March Parish Council meeting we invited Bellway Homes to present to a public meeting ahead of their detailed planning submission for the College Field site which was expected in mid-March.

The presentation was attended by Parish Councillors and 24 members of the public and a summary of the questions asked can be found on the Parish Council noticeboards and website. We are expecting Bellway to come back to discuss the Construction Management Plan.

VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT WORKS

In the last Rollestonian we set out the causes behind the increase in the Parish Council precept and the priorities for improvement works to the village to respond to village feedback. We are pleased to give an update on progress:

Road signs Cllr Wyatt has identified 18 damaged / unreadable / missing road signs around the village which we have requested replacement for from ESBC. We estimate work to be done by August 2018

Railings Cllr Stewart has surveyed the condition of the railings along Burnside, Brookside and The Lawns and prepared a detailed summary of works required (including post straightening, brook bank reinforcing and cleaning and painting) which once we have confirmed ownership of the railings we will work on the next steps for tender to carry out the work required during Spring / Summer. We are aware of the very recent damage to one of the posts and have informed the relevant authorities to enable this to be repaired too.

Contracts After a 3- year contract period we have completed the re-tendering process for the environmental and grass mowing works. They also now include the Jinny Trail and the Community Orchard, which represents better value for money than in previous years. Ads were placed on line and in the Burton Mail, as a result four information packs were sent out. We are pleased to announce that the current contractors have successfully retained their contracts.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Rolleston on Dove Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) has been in the making since 2011 and is now close to Regulation 14, one of the first steps in making this NDP a legal document.

A brief history

In December 2010 the Localism Bill was introduced in parliament and this Bill included details of Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP).

The very pro-active Parish Council met ESBC Head of Regulatory Services to discuss producing a NDP. As a result of this meeting the Parish Council called a public meeting, with 200+ villagers in attendance, on 3rd October 2011 and all present were enthusiastic about producing a NDP. At that time, Rolleston on Dove was one of the first to begin the NDP process.

A team of hardworking volunteers made up the NDP steering group and started the long process to produce a NDP for the village of Rolleston on Dove, attending many meetings and producing lots of statistics. In the meantime, ESBC had designated the village as a Tier 1 Strategic Village and were still in the process of formulating their Local Plan.

The formal consultation of this Neighbourhood Plan took place in July/August 2013. The two objections to the NDP were from ESBC and Burton College; ESBC wanting 125 houses to be built in the village (Tier 1 requirement) with 100 being built on the College Fields site.

The NDP steering group and the Parish Council objected to the determination of the Rolleston as a Strategic Village. The Independent Examiner published his report in October 2013 which recommended, subject to some minor alterations, that the plan should proceed to Referendum. ESBC did not agree to this as the plan did not include the College Fields development.

Over the next three years, the College Fields development planning application was rejected firstly by ESBC on prematurity grounds, resulting in Burton College going to appeal and finally, the planning application was "called in" for the Secretary of State (SoS) to make a decision. Two more years of delays and legal challenges took place which resulted in the SoS granting planning consent.

In the meantime, the NDP was amended as recommended by the Independent Examiner. The draft plan was finalised in August 2015 waiting for the next stage. ESBC then published its Local Plan which meant the NDP was not in conformity with the ESBC Local Plan due to the Tier 1 Strategic Village element.