CRAYTHORNE ROAD

Planning Application P/2016/01507 was received in December for outline permission for the erection of up to 32 retirement living bungalows a communal hub with 2 non retirement living apartments above it and details of access on land at Craythorne Road. The site in question currently has permission for three detached dwellings. This application was objected to by the Parish Council as the land is outside of the settlement boundary of the village. The Parish Council submitted comments to the Planning Officer for the latest application that it is some distance from village amenities therefore it may mean additional cars on the roads making the already congested roads at certain times even worse. Comments were made however that retirement bungalows would be more welcome than large detached dwellings.

All documents are available to view on the ESBC website Planning Section, details given earlier.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February 13th 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting

March 13th 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting (Andy Mason of ESBC will be in attendance to talk through the Brook Hollows work and Rollestonian of the Year Consideration and Voting)

April 10th 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting

April 24th 7pm Annual Parish Meeting

May 8th 7pm Parish Council Meeting

May 13th 9am-noon Village Clean Up Day

June 8th 6pm Village Footpaths Walk (1)

June 11th 10am Village Footpaths Walk (2)



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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. 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.

We have recently been joined by Councillors Steve McManus and Ellen McManus of South Hill. They have lived in the village for a year and they are already proving to be useful additions to the Council.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN / EAST STAFFORDSHIRE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

You may now be aware that the decision has been taken to allow the building of 100 homes on the site known as College Fields. This will be a huge disappointment to you all, as it is to the Parish Council.

This has an effect on the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Its effect is that we will need to amend the current plan to fall in line with this decision, and include these 100 houses. However a decision needs to be taken on whether this will be moved forward, and in what format. Not all Neighbourhood Plans are concerned with the number and locations of new houses to be built, for example some areas closer to the centre of Burton

may be more concerned with issues of parking and as such policies are included to ensure any changes to buildings do not get rid of parking spaces.

Rolleston's plan could include something similar, with all new builds having space for at least two cars for example to protect the village from further on street parking. We could also include a policy on landscaping and screening also for example.

The Parish Council remains thankful to those who put in so much time and effort to get the plan ready. We will be holding a public meeting in March to talk through the implications of the decision and to talk through the options for the plan. We hope as many of you as possible will join us for this important subject.

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

BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

During the next few months you may attend a village organisation gathering and hear about the Best Kept Village competition. We know you are proud to live in Rolleston are we are hoping that many of you will come out and support us entering this competition. You may already be starting to think about which areas of the village you think could be improved. The PC cannot do all of this work without support.

Features to be judged will be:

Knowledge of the competition, Children's Posters, Noticeboards, Local information, Church Surroundings and Burial Grounds, Community Buildings, Public Houses, Bus Shelters, Telephone Boxes, Street Furniture,

War Memorial (not a Lychgate unfortunately), Large open Spaces and Play Areas, Private Gardens and a Map.

BROOK HOLLOWS

Residents have for a long time been concerned about the state Brook Hollows is falling into. The land is owned by ESBC and as such is their responsibility. However their resources are finite, and there is a huge amount of work to be done to the area to improve access, clear the lake and work on the trees to name but a few tasks. ESBC, Cllr Beryl Toon and some local Residents have been working on a funding bid to the Lottery Fund to improve Brook Hollows. An initial bid has been successful to help with investigating and designing the future improvement of the area.

A future bid will be required to actually carry out the work, but the initial bid is a good indication that this too will be successful. This is not an overnight fix and it may take up to two years for the work to be completed.

FLOOD RISK ALLEVIATION

Some of you may be aware of residential surveys being completed by Mr Dave Hughes of Staffordshire County Council. If your home is in an area deemed 'at risk' of flooding you may be able to get flood defences for your home. This may include flood gates for your garden to help stop flood water reaching your property.

We are aware that after flood water has receded, a road clean-up is required — such as near the ford on Brookside. If your road needs this please contact the Clerk who can try and arrange for a road sweeper to visit.