

ROLLESTON ON DOVE PARISH COUNCIL
CLERK'S REPORT TO MEETING TO BE HELD ON
MONDAY 12th MAY 2014

1. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications have been received for consideration:-

P/2014/00463 Felling of 2 sycamores and 1 ash tree, Apple Acres, 14 Knowles Hill.

It was necessary to comment on the following application outside of a meeting:-

P/2014/00477 Replacement of windows and patio door with UPVC, 9 Shotwood Close.

Members of Rolleston on Dove Parish Council object to this application as the original development conditions specified that timber doors and windows should be installed. However, members understand that precedence has been set with other approved applications within the development and would therefore ask that the replacement windows and doors are in brown upvc which is more in keeping with the appearance of timber.

2. PLANNING DECISIONS

The following planning applications have been approved:-

P/2014/00240 Erection of a part two storey, part single storey front and side extension, 22 The Lawns.

P/2014/00353 Crown thinning of one Walnut tree by 15% and cut back branches from the roof of the house (T1 of TPO222) Alderbrook House, 2A Station Road.

P/2014/00300 Retention of air conditioning unit, Meadow lodge, Home Farm, Church Road.

3. SCHOOL COMMUNITY DAY

The following request has been received from FOJORPS:-

“This year’s Community Day will take place on Saturday 7th June from 11.00 am until 4.00 pm. In previous years the Parish Council has kindly supported us by allowing the use of the Elizabeth Avenue playing fields for car parking and by making a generous donation towards one of the day’s attractions. I am writing to enquire whether you are in a position to do the same this year”.

“In addition, the Parish Council usually has its own stall at Community Day and I was wondering whether you would like to have one again at this year’s event”.

4. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Attached for members consideration is a copy of the letter received from ESBC and a copy of the report made by Mr Edwards at the Annual Parish meeting.

5. EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL – CONSULTATIONS & LOCAL PLAN

Revised Settlement Hierarchy Topic Paper: - The revised Settlement Hierarchy Topic Paper is now available to view on ESBC website and for ease an electronic copy has been circulated to members for consideration.

Alliance of Parish Councils: - A copy of the Settlement Hierarchy Update 2014 has been circulated to members of the Alliance of Parish Councils. Members are asked to consider if they feel it would be useful to call a meeting of the Parish Councils where the Settlement Hierarchy Update could be discussed along with various strategies on approaching the Local Plan Inquiry.

6. DEFIBRILLATOR / COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDER SCHEME

At the April Parish Council meeting it was agreed to defer this item until further information could be sought on the Community First Responder Scheme.

The information on the defibrillators has been previously issued. Attached for information is a leaflet on the Community First Responder scheme.

7. RECREATIONAL / TAFFLANDS MAINTENANCE

Cllr Barnfield asked for this item to be added to the agenda.

8. WEB PROVISION

Cllr Wyatt will be invited to provide members with an update on this item.

9. DOG FOULING

The following email has been received from ESBC:-

“The whole Borough is covered by a Dog Control Order in respect of Dog Fouling. The Dog Control Orders supersede/override any byelaws in place. So Rolleston is covered. (I am aware you didn’t require any dogs on leads, dogs excluded etc.) It is not the intention of the Council to make any further Dog Control Orders as in October there is due to be a change to the legislation and other provisions will be brought in”.

“I am aware that several fines have been issued however our first action when we do not have an Offender is to educate and as such you have seen the stencils being used. Patrols can also be carried out along with residents assisting Officers and working with us by identifying Offenders and reporting them into us. Carol will assist with further details of what her Officers are able to provide in terms of patrols and education/enforcement activity. If you have any queries regarding the Dog Controls Orders and the legislation please do not hesitate to contact me”.

The following email has been received for consideration:-

I thought I would drop you a line, as I have been concerned now on three occasions recently when I have visited Tafflands with my small children, that there has been dogs running loose on the play area. I think it is a great area for dog walking but feel strongly that all dogs should be kept on a lead at all times and not allowed to run around. One dog has recently approached my 2 year old boy and jumped up. I also wanted to point out that over the Easter bank holiday weekend there was "dog poo" all over the children's' slide. Because this has bothered me more than once, I have got in contact with yourselves to put you in the picture.

10. SCC HIGHWAYS

It was agreed at the April meeting to defer this meeting to the May agenda.

The following correspondence has been received from Mr Vernon for consideration:-

“As local members of the Parish Council I am forwarding my concerns as a resident over the continuing problem regarding traffic speeding along Knowles Hill and associated dangers at the junction with Anslow Lane and including the Burnside shops parking. Despite continued efforts to SCC Highways on the matter the only solution provided to-date has been a temporary mobile speed sign provided on Knowles Hill for traffic survey purposes as a deterrent to motorists”.

“The situation will only be worse in the future with the ‘ Apple Acres’ housing development and major developments off Rolleston Road/Burton Road (School + 500 dwellings) and Tutbury Road (500 dwellings) as further traffic is generated in and around the village with potential short-cuts to the A38 and A50”.

“Without going into further detail I will forward previous e-mail correspondence to respective parties outlining concerns and issues on this matter. I appreciate the Parish Council is presently addressing a number of planning and development issues with the Council authorities at this time but if this can be included on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting a formal approach in writing to SCC Highways could be considered”.

“My concern is that it is just a matter of time before a serious incident occurs (previous accidents recorded over the years) along what is a major access route into the village used by school children and residents alike”.

11. BROOK HOLLOWS

The following email has been received from ESBC:-

“As promised I can now provide you with a response. The position of ESBC is unchanged at this time. The information you have provided has indicated that the cost benefit of removing the silt from the lake would be undermined by the speed at which the silt would return”.

“The feasibility of an engineered solution to divert the brook would be an undertaking that again is likely to have a significant cost and is unlikely to have a sufficient cost benefit. This is work that would not be commissioned by the Borough Council. If the parish wanted to undertake a project to do this study and subsequent works then the neighbourhood team would be happy to support the parish in searching for external funding to support it. It may be that the parish would want to consider making an approach to the Asset Team at ESBC with a view to the parish/civic society acquiring the site”.

The clerk has advised ESBC that there is evidence that children have been venturing onto the silt as there are footprints in the build-up. An adjacent homeowner has also advised that she has witnessed children playing on the silt build up.

12. JINNY NATURE TRAIL

An email has been received via TREATS with concerns to the badger sett on the trail. This has been circulated to members electronically.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman are attending a meeting of TREATS on Tuesday 6th May and will be invited to update members at the PC meeting.

The walk between the two councils has been scheduled for Sunday 11th May, commencing 10am, Stretton end.

13. JOHN OF ROLLESTON SCHOOL GOVERNOR

Following the passing of Cllr Haywood the Parish Council is invited to submit a nomination of a Parish Councillor to stand as a School Governor.

14. ANNUAL MAINTENANCE PLAN FOR PUBLIC OPEN SPACES / TREE WORKS

It is recommended that members consider an annual maintenance plan for the Public Open Spaces under their ownership. It is suggested that the Highways committee could meet to review the areas and put together a long term proposal.

15. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Members will be invited to make a short report on any items that they have either dealt with or been approached with regards to since the last meeting.

16. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following invoices have been received for payment:-

Mrs. H Light (Salary)	2719	£772.55
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HM Revenue & Customs (Tax & NI)	2720	£50.22
Mrs. H Light (Telephone & Internet)	2721	£41.31
Mr. P Gould (Mowing Contract)	2722	£853.33
Mr. J Deacon (Environmental Contract)	2723	£419.84
Mr. J Deacon (Play Areas Contract)	2724	£216.00
Rainbow Waste (Bin emptying)	2725	TBC
Rolleston Scout Group (Donation 2014 Scout Carnival)	2726	£150.00
Rolleston Scout Group (Flags for flag pole)	2727	£45.72
Zurich Municipal (2014/2015 Insurance Premium)	2728	£3124.05
Mr R Bush (Web fees)	2729	£50.80
JRB Enterprises (Dog Waste Bags)	2730	£132.90
Petty Cash	2731	£106.62
Staffordshire Parish Councils Association (Cllr Wyatt, Planning Training Course)	2732	£40.00
Mr. J Deacon (Concrete round removable posts on Croft)	2733	£300.00
Mr. J Deacon (The Croft, Various works)	2734	£510.00

17. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Agenda for Tutbury PC Meeting, Monday 28th April

Agenda for Tutbury Annual Parish meeting, Thursday 8th May

Complaint with regards to use of weed killer

Email complaint with regards to Shotwood Close Open Space

Verbal complaint from 58 Church Road with regards to Shotwood Close, Public Open Space

Copy of the next "Chalked Crusader" poem.

Invitation from Stretton PC to attend a meeting on Wednesday 7th May to discuss WW1 Fayre.

18. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Members will be invited to submit items for the June agenda.

19. UNRESOLVED MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Registration of Footpath 18, Cinder Hill sub Station, Parish Councillor Vacancy

The Chairman will move that due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted that the Public and press should be excluded for the remainder of the meeting.

5th May 2014