

ROLLESTON ON DOVE PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 8th DECEMBER 2014**

PRESENT

Cllr J Toon, Chairman
Cllr J Adams
Cllr Evans
Cllr B Gooding
Cllr Robson
Cllr S Sanderson
Cllr K Simnett
Cllr B Toon
Cllr C Warren
Cllr J Wyatt
Mr. A Bailey
Mrs H. Light, Clerk

Seven members of the public, Miss Akroyd, ESBC and a representative from the Burton Mail were in attendance.

62. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME & PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Mr Edwards asked for it to be recorded that as it was the clerks last meeting, that he would like to convey thanks on behalf of the community. He named amongst the projects that the clerk had made a significant impact on as Tafflands, the Neighbourhood plan and the entry into the Daily Mail, Spring Clean for the Queen competition in which the village was awarded a £5,000 cash prize. The Clerk was presented with a gift by Mr Edwards.

Mr Gawthorpe presented the clerk with a gift on behalf of Rolleston Civic Trust as a record of thanks for the work that she had undertaken for the village.

Mr Edwards asked why the Parish Council had made the decision to remove the climbing cube. Cllrs advised that the cube had been removed as it was considered to be unsafe and that upon removal it was observed that the supporting posts were rotten.

Mr Edwards advised the meeting that the planning application for Apple Acres had been approved and asked if members of ESBC support the plan moving forwards to referendum, as it is the member's decision and not that of the officers who are making misleading representations. Cllr Toon advised that she would follow this up at the Borough Council. Cllr Adams replied that he was at the meeting, and that he was at the initial meeting with ESBC when the delay of the plan was discussed and that when this meeting took place, it had not even been called in so the statements that the officers were making were incorrect. Cllr Sanderson added that he felt that ESBC were making erroneous comments. Mr Edwards suggested that the Borough Council ask for the constitution of the planning committee to be amended to allow the Chairman to question the speaker.

Miss Ackroyd, ESBC introduced herself to the meeting and advised that she had taken over from James Bennett who had moved on from his post with ESBC to become a PCSO.

Mr Morris asked what the Parish Council have done about the removal of the tree on 19 Station Road. Cllr Sanderson replied that the occupants had given notice to ESBC that they would be removing the tree with 5 days' notice and that this had been accepted by ESBC. It was noted that the Parish Council had registered its disappointment that the tree had been removed.

63. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Barnfield.

64. TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

65. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10TH NOVEMBER 2014

The minutes of the previous meeting were signed as true record.

66. REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Councillor Fraser did not attend the meeting.

67. REPORT OF BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

Councillor Toon advised that Brook Hollows had been discussed at ESBC Council meeting. She added that it was being arranged for professional people to meet Mr Mason, ESBC on site and that Mr Mason had agreed to try and arrange some funding for works to be undertaken on the site.

68. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

61:9: Tractor/Trailer: It was noted that someone still needed to be sought to repair this. It was noted that graffiti had been spray painted on the side of the trailer and Cllr Wyatt asked for it to be removed. Cllr Adams advised that he would be happy to make some new wheels.

61:9: Kissing gate: Cllr Wyatt advised that he still had the gate which needed to be re installed.

61:15: Station Road Bus shelter: It was noted that 50% of the project costs had been secured through ESBC Neighbourhood Priorities grant.

69. CLERKS REPORT DATED 1ST DECEMBER 2014

1. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members commented on the following planning applications:-

P/2014/01499 Erection of a detached bungalow, Proposed dwelling, 2 Walford Road.

It was concluded that members were against the infill development and feel that the proposals constitute overdevelopment of the site.

P/2014/01523 Crown reduction by 30% of one sycamore tree, 2 The Lawns

Members had no objections to this application.

P/2014/01473 Erection of part first floor and two storey side and single storey rear and front extension and chimney to side elevation (Amended Scheme), 86 Meadow View.

Members had no objections to this application.

P/2014/01536 Felling of 1 Willow tree and crown reduction in height by 50% of 1 Conifer tree, Three ways, Hall Grounds.

Members had no objections to this application.

P/2014/01522 Crown reduction by 30% and small crown lift to one Beech tree, 18 Brookside.

Members had no objections to this application.

P/2014/01493 Crown reduction by 10% and crown lift by way of the removal of the lowest 3 branches of a beech tree, Brookside Cottage, 10 Alders Reach.

It was agreed that the photographs do not allow members to make a fully formed judgement on the application and agreed that members would like ESBC to seek a professional opinion on the application.

2. PLANNING DECISIONS

Members noted the details of this item from the Clerks Report.

Members voiced concerns about the loss of trees and agreed that any loss of trees should be compensated with suitable replacement planting.

3. PRECEPT / 2015 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The clerk advised that this information had not yet been received from ESBC.

Cllr Wyatt suggested that members should consider projects for the 2015/16 financial year.

4. NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Chairman advised that Cllr Adams had resigned as Chairman of the group. Cllr Adams advised that he felt that there was still a significant amount of work to be undertaken by the group. Mr Edwards was invited to speak. He advised that it all hung on the decision of the Secretary of State on the College playing fields. It was noted that the most frustrating position was that ESBC would not make a decision on the plan and until this decision was made and until this time the group were hanging in limbo. Mr Edwards re iterated that the Parish Council should ask Members of the Council to make a decision on the plan. Cllr Sanderson asked Cllr Adams if he thought there was anyone within the group that would take on the position of Chair. Cllr Adams suggested that the Parish Council push members of ESBC to make a decision.

It was agreed that Cllr Toon formally request that members of the Council make a decision in terms of the plan. Cllr Toon suggested that the planning committee members should be lobbied in the first instance. Mr Edwards advised that if the Parish Council wanted this to be debated by the Full Council, then a petition of 200 signatures would be required. It was agreed that Cllr Adams would work with Mr Edwards on this item.

5. COLLEGE FIELDS PLANNING APPEAL

Members noted the details of this item from the clerks report.

6. EAST STAFFORDSHIRE LOCAL PLAN EXAMINATION

Members noted the details of this item from the clerks report.

7. RECREATIONAL

Climbing Cube: This item was covered under Public Questions and presentation of petitions. Cllr Robson suggested that the Parish Council consider a suitable replacement. Cllr Gooding suggested that any replacement equipment should be sought from professionals and conform to British Standards. Mr Edwards advised that a risk assessment was undertaken with each piece of equipment and that these had been submitted as part of the grant application and approved prior to the funding being released.

Jinny Trail: Members noted the details of the correspondence received from Mr Baker. It was agreed that members should meet with TREATS on the next working party, scheduled to take place on 3rd January.

8. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

- Cllr Toon advised that the Marston lane streetlights were still out of order.
- Cllr Sanderson advised that the water butt and guttering for Spread Eagle Island had been received and was awaiting installation.
- Cllr Simnett advised that the signage for the new Meadow Fields development stated Meadow View and this was causing issues with deliveries etc. Cllr Toon advised that she had reported the situation to ESBC.
- Cllr Simnett advised that there were several plant lorries parking up outside of peoples properties at 7am in the morning.
- Cllr Robson advised that Mr Deacon had made an excellent job of the strimming and hedge cutting within the Orchard.
- Cllr Sanderson advised that he had been asked to see Mrs Galloway with regards to her concerns about the tree notification for Brooklyn, Chapel lane. The Clerk confirmed that she had notified ESBC of the suggested discrepancies with the map.

The Clerk was presented with a gift from members of the Parish Council and thanked for her service during the past nine years.

9. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

It was resolved that the accounts below should be paid:-

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| HM Revenue & Customs (Tax & NI) | 2808 | £61.06 |
| Rolleston Cricket Club (Grant for defibrillator) | 2809 | £1,000 |
| Rolleston Club (Grant for defibrillator) | 2810 | £1,000 |
| Midshire Business Systems (Photocopier charges) | 2811 | £115.92 |

Cllr Wyatt and Cllr Sanderson signed the corresponding cheques and invoices.

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| Mr. P Gould (Mowing Contract) | £853.33 |
| Mr. J Deacon (Environmental Contract) | £428.22 |
| Mr. J Deacon (Play Areas Contract) | £216.00 |
| Mr. J Deacon (Removal of climbing cube / ground works) | £258.00 |
| Mr. J Deacon (Strim Orchard / Cut hedge) | £156.00 |
| Mr. J Deacon (Path/Drain Craythorne Playing Fields / Tafflands) | £1152.00 |
| Rainbow Waste (Bin emptying) | £255.48 |
| Mrs. H Light (Salary) | £788.34 |
| Mrs. H Light (Telephone & Internet) | £44.23 |
| JRB Enterprises (Dog Waste Bags) | £237.60 |
| Original Organics Ltd (Water Butt – Spread Eagle Island) | £95.90 |

10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Members noted the details of this item from the clerks report.

11. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- 2015/2016 Precept
- Chairmans Chain of office.
- Neighbourhood Development Plan
- Footpath Walks Leaflet John Philips / Quote for printing
- Craythorne Car Park

The Chairman moved 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.

12. MOWING & ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACTS

It was agreed that the clerk should re-issue copies of the existing contracts to members and members were assigned to review the following areas:-

Cllr Sanderson: Village Gateways / The Croft
Cllr Gooding: Brookside / Spread Eagle Island
Cllr Robson: Orchard / Elizabeth Avenue
Cllr Simnett: Meadow View
Cllr Adams: Craythorne Playing Fields

13. CLERK & RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

Cllr Sanderson advised of the status of the interviews. Discussion took place around the storage of the PC records. Cllr Adams offered to store some of the documents on a short term basis. Discussion took place about the storage of the records on a long term basis.

It was agreed that the Interview committee, should have autonomy to offer the successful applicant the position without first having to go back to the Parish Council and that the offer would be subject to the receipt of satisfactory references.

14. SHOTWOOD CLOSE OPEN SPACE

It was noted that no further information had been received from ESBC with regards to this item.

CHAIRMAN