

ROLLESTON ON DOVE PARISH COUNCIL
CLERK'S REPORT JANUARY 2017

PART 1

1. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P/2016/01755 - Felling of one Plum tree, one Larch tree and crown reduction of one Oak tree, 1 Oak Trees Close

P/2016/01823 - Retrospective application for the conversion of former agricultural building into ancillary residential accommodation including office accommodation, Lane End Farm

P2016/01821 - Erection of a part two storey, part single storey rear extension, and formation of a dropped kerb, 56 Station Road

2. PLANNING DECISIONS

The following applications have been permitted:

P/2016/01407 - Formation of new vehicular access including from kerb and formation of hard standing to form parking area 91 Knowles Hill

The following application has been refused:

Other Planning Matters:

The following email was received from the developers of the retirement homes on Craythorne Road:

I am the planning agent for the planning application for retirement accommodation on Craythorne Road. Following debate at the Committee I thought it would be helpful to set out the drainage position.

'A full flood risk Assessment was submitted with the latest planning application. The flood risk assessment has been prepared in consultation with the Environment Agency, Severn Trent Water and Staffordshire County Council as Lead Flood Authority.

Since submission of the application we have continued to liaise (through our Drainage consultant) with David Hughes , Flood risk management team at Staffordshire County Council , as we have a good relationship with him from the previous Planning Application. David has no objection to the principle of development of the site and is working with us on the finer detail of the proposal.

Historic flood events in the area have been attributable to poor maintenance of drainage ditches fronting Craythorne Road and as part of the development we will clear out the ditches and by the

nature of the development, establish a better maintenance regime for the future.

Within the site, it is the intention to establish a land drain along the Eastern boundary to provide protection to existing properties, the drainage catchment to this boundary is significantly reduced by the onset of the development.

The attenuation facility on the eastern side of the development has been sized to attenuate flows in storm conditions with a controlled discharge.'

I hope that provides you with some assurance.

3. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING**

Decision to be taken at the PC meeting in January:

- a. Amend the plan, consult with residents and re-submit
- b. Receive a decision statement on the current plan, which would obviously say it does not conform to the Local Plan, then re-write the plan, consult with residents and re-submit
Or
- c. receive the decision statement on the current plan and then abandon the plan altogether

PART 2

4. **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

BACS

Jane Bucknall (Salary)	£586.49
HMRC (Tax)	£166.80
Jane Bucknall (Phone and Broadband)	£45.63
Mr J Deacon (Environmental contract)	£769.17
Mr P Gould (Mowing contract)	£1101.99
Lyon Building Services (Buffer Stop Wall)	£3683.80

Civic Trust (Rollestonian printing)	£630.06
ESBC (Bins and Road Sweeping)	£764.40
Sackmarket.co.uk (Sand Bags)	£310

Income

None during this period.

5. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Andrew Griffiths MP and the Burton Mail are supporting a campaign to save the A&E Department at Queens Hospital, Burton Upon Trent. I have included a link to the petition on the Facebook page.

There is to be a formal launch of the ESBC Neighbourhood Fund on Monday 23rd January at 6pm at the Brewhouse Arts Centre, Clerk to attend.

Staffordshire County Council has informed the Parish Council that they are terminating the lengths man agreement. This currently funds £1409 towards contracts. Mowing is not affected at this time.

Clerk has checked with ESBC the status of making the Methodist Church a Community Asset – Clerk has been informed that further information was requested but not sent. The November 2013 Clerks Report stated that the relevant land registry checks were completed. However, after asking ESBC to double check, they are certain an application was never made, and it is not listed as a Community Asset .

With the wall adjacent to the buffer stop at Rolleston-on-Dove station rebuilt, it is time to plan the refurbishment of the buffer stop itself. This piece of railway equipment is unusual and may be a rare relic because, as the photographs indicate, it is positioned touching the end wall with no supporting angles to the rear. The platform behind the buffers is described on an early map of the station track layout as a 'carriage dock' and not a milk dock, as I first assumed. The unusual design of the buffer stop enabled end-loading of horse drawn carriages, it was common practise during the early years of rail travel for the gentry to take their carriage and possibly horses with them when travelling to other parts of the country.

