

ROLLESTON ON DOVE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 8th JUNE 2015

PRESENT

Cllr S Sanderson
Cllr J Toon
Cllr B Toon
Cllr B Gooding
Cllr M Robson
Cllr Wyatt
Cllr Simnett
Mr A Bailey, Youth Rep
Mrs J Bucknall, Clerk

There were two members of the public in attendance along with the Burton Mail and County Councillor Fraser.

14. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME AND PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Mr Wyers asked whether the letter which was written to Arriva Buses regarding the removal of one of the services in the morning asked about the rest of the timetable too. The Clerk responded that the question was just about the morning service. It was agreed that a further letter would be written regarding the timetabling of the buses which now arrive in the village within five minutes of each other, then nothing until the next hour.

15. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Evans and Cllr B Toon who arrived late due to a Borough Council Meeting.

16. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 11TH MAY 2015

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record and were signed accordingly.

Note: When Cllr B Toon joined the meeting there were some amendments she wished to make on page 1. The minutes were amended, re-signed for the minute book.

17. REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Cllr Fraser informed Council Members of a new Secondary School which has been planned for Branston. He also mentioned plans for a further four primary schools within the County. One of these will be the one planned in the recent planning application for the Craythorne Road development in Stretton which includes a single form entry school. It was noted that as De Ferrers Secondary School is full, children from the new school would need to travel to Branston.

18. REPORT OF BOROUGH COUNCILLOR

This item was moved further down the agenda due to Cllr B Toon arriving later in the meeting.

19. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Potholes on A38 are still to be completed, and the gully on Anslow Lane is still blocked. Clerk to chase.

The quality of pothole repairs was once again highlighted to Cllr Fraser. He responded that the more complaints that are made against the contractors Amey the more pressure will put on them. Cllr Barnfield to inform the Clerk which potholes on Anslow Lane still need to be actioned.

20. LOCAL PLAN AND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – SIMON ANDERSON

Mr Anderson was running late therefore this item was moved further down the agenda.

21. PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

It was agreed that Cllr Barnfield would put a proposal together to try and get more residents engaged in the work of the Parish Council. The proposal would include trying to get representatives from streets/areas of the village to attend meetings. It was agreed that the first stage would be an article in the Rollestonian.

Getting young people involved in the work of the Parish Council is also important. It was agreed that Arthur Bailey would look into having a PC Twitter account. The first step of this would be the listen to what young people are saying on Twitter about local government and Parish Councils, Rolleston in particular, and what they think the PC should be doing.

22. CLERKS REPORT

1. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P/2015/00748 P/2015/00748 Installation of 2 roof lights to the rear single storey roof slope. 60 Church Road
Cllrs had no objection to this application.

P/2015/00769 Erection of single storey rear and side extension. 29 Hall Road
Cllrs had no objection to this application.

P/2014/00818 Outline application for a mixed use development comprising of up to 385 dwellings, provision of 1.69ha of land for a single form entry primary school and associated infrastructure including details of access with all other matters reserved (REVISED DESCRIPTION AND INDICATIVE SITE LAYOUT RECEIVED 27.5.2015)
It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Stretton Parish Council to see what their response will be and write a letter of objection.

It was agreed that objections should be in line with concerns we have consistently referred to. This would include more traffic and the potential for more accidents; outside of the Local Plan and the Stretton Neighbourhood Plan; outside of the settlement boundary; coalescence of Burton/Stretton/Rolleston; lack of education provision - secondary schools in particular.

P/2015/00722 Solar Farm proposal
The access issues and the lack of environmental impact report were discussed. Councillors were formally invited by Lark Energy to attend the public displays in Rolleston Club on 18th June.

2. PLANNING DECISIONS

The content of the Clerks report was noted.

Post meeting note: P/2015/00516 which has been approved is 31 Beacon Road.

3. BROOK HOLLOWES

The Content of the Clerks report was noted.

Cllr B Toon noted that funding is still being looked into.

Cllr Barnfield suggested moving some of the street furniture into more discreet locations within Brook Hollowes to make the vistas more appealing. It was agreed Cllr Barnfield would put a proposal together. It was agreed that this proposal should include the rest of the village for things such as the removal of the dog waste bag dispensers if it is to be agreed that the trial of not buying the bags is acceptable.

It was further agreed that this should include street signs that have been bleached in the light and may need replacing. Cllr Wyatt agreed to assist Cllr Barnfield with this task.

4. STANDING ORDERS AND CODE OF CONDUCT

Cllrs are reminded that the Parish Council works to the Standing Orders circulated, and the Code of Conduct. It was agreed that this agenda item will be put on the agenda annually.

5. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Robson thanked the Burton Mail for their coverage of the Jubilee Orchard and he will now move forward on planning for community involvement in the upkeep of the orchard.

Cllr J Toon showed the Council Members a poster/leaflet created by Clive Baker who is working on the History of the Parish Council. It was agreed that it could go onto the website and framed and displayed somewhere in the village. It was agreed that a letter be sent to Mr Baker expressing the Cllrs thanks and to ask him to continue his work.

Cllr Gooding reported that the village sign near the Spread Eagle is in poor condition and is need of painting. It was agreed that Mr Deacon be contacted for this to be rectified.

Cllr Gooding reported once again the middle footbridge across the Brook. This will need attention from either one of the contractors. Clerk to arrange.

Cllr Gooding commented on the steps from the Lychgate onto the pavement. It was agreed that Rev. Whitehead needs to be spoken to with regards what he thinks needs doing, then to contact SCC with regards the work. Clerk to action.

Cllr Simnett reported dog faeces in the Tafflands park. She agreed to check the verges in the Meadow View area.

Cllr Wyatt reported that there are some low hanging branches over the pavement from the last house on Station Road before School Lane. This is a hazard to pedestrians and making it hard for drivers exiting the Church Lane. Clerk to write to the Residents involved.

Cllr Wyatt also reported that the white fence along the Brook is in need of sanding and painting. It was agreed that this could be requested from the Neighbourhood Team. Clerk to action.

Cllr B Toon reported that during the earlier part of the day she attended some media training and informed the rest of the Council Members of their duty to be mindful about what they say to the media, and if in doubt about anything, they can always find the answer then call the journalist back, to protect both parties.

Cllr Sanderson reported that Karin Kay has requested a key to Spread Eagle Island to work on the garden on a regular basis. This request was agreed. Clerk to action.

6. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The Clerk reported that signatories are being changed at the bank to ensure that all Cllrs can authorise cheque payments and invoices.

All invoices were checked against the Clerks report and signed by Cllrs B Toon and Barnfield ready for payment on line.

7. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Councillors noted the content of the Clerks report.

In addition to those items within the report, a number of additional items have been received.

Doveside WI have requested use of The Croft for a picnic on Thursday 13th August. This request was agreed. Clerk to respond positively to the group.

Councillors agreed that William Reed would be invited to a future meeting to talk about Emergency Planning, on that occasion the meeting would commence 715pm.

Arriva Bus company have sent a holding response to our lettering regarding the damage to the bus stop. Their investigations have not yet been completed.

8. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Christmas Lighting – Cllr J Toon
Twitter – Arthur Bailey
Neighbourhood Plan/Local Plan
Dog Bin Trial Review

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.

23. MOWING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACT

The Recreational Sub-Committee updated the rest of the Council Members on the evenings meeting with contractors. It was agreed that a further meeting with Mr Gould be organised for the following week. Clerk to action.

It was agreed that Mr Gould could spray rather than trim around the bottom of tree to a maximum of 9 inches. Mr Gould to be informed at the meeting next week.

24. LOCAL PLAN AND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Simon Anderson arrived and updated the Parish Council on the local plan hearings. Chris Boden did very well on behalf of the village. The College Barrister was very vocal. There is no set timescale for the conclusion of the hearings.

Cllr Sanderson thanked Mr Anderson on behalf of the Parish Council for attending.

Mr Anderson informed Parish Council on the latest position with the Neighbourhood Plan. It is still undecided whether the whole Plan will be reviewed or just the relevant parts. There is to be a meeting with Corinne O'Hare in the coming weeks. It was requested that this be held on 24th June, and for the agenda to be written by Mr Anderson and be Chaired by Cllr Sanderson. Clerk to book the Grammar School, for a 7pm start.

Standing Orders were suspended at 930pm.

It was agreed that Mr Anderson write to Corinne O'Hare requesting a decision notice ahead of the meeting.

The Parish Council were reminded that the petition is still being held back, and could be used to force the referendum. This should be noted in the letter to Ms O'Hare.

It was reiterated that the Steering Group is not a separate body, but a sub-group of the Parish Council. It is envisaged that not all of the Steering Group will be in attendance at the meeting, only the four reps plus any Councillors who wish to attend.

The final point discussed was the argument over being classed as a tier one or two village. It was noted that this has not been resolved, and won't be until the Local Plan results are known.

Cllr Sanderson asked Mr Anderson to pass on thanks to the Steering Group.