

ROLLESTON ON DOVE PARISH COUNCIL
CLERK'S REPORT APRIL 2017

PART 1

1. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Considered outside of the meeting via email:

P/2017/00296 – Construction of boundary wall to land adjacent 4 Marston Lane
Councillors had no objection to this application.

P/2017/00305 - Felling of 2 cypress trees, 3 ash trees and 1 birch tree, St Mary's Church, Church Road
Councillors and Civic Trust objected to the removal of the trees set back from the wall by about one metree.

P/2017/00310 - Felling of Poplar and two sycamore, 4 Brookside
Councillors had no objection to this application.

P/2017/00372 - Erection of a detached garage, Dale Cottages 10 Dovecliff Road

P/2017/00371 – Replacement of six front windows, Topiary Cottage 1 Station Road

2. PLANNING DECISIONS

The following applications have been permitted:

P/2017/00110 – Erection of a two storey side and single storey front and rear extensions, 32 The Lawns

P/2017/00062 - Listed Building application for the re-pointing of front, rear and side elevations 6 Bladons Yard

P/2017/00145 - Crown lift one Ilex tree and one Sorbus tree by 2.5 metres and removal of dead branches of one Sycamore tree, Spread Eagle Pub

P/2017/00127 – Erection of two storey side and single rear extensions, 46 Walford Road

P/2017/000189 – Coppice to 50 cm above ground 3 Leylandii trees, coppice to ground level 1 Poplar tree, and 5 Hawthorn trees of TPO 1

P/2017/00121 – Erection of an external brick skin and alterations to parking arrangements, 49 Beacon Drive

P/2017/00310 – Felling of 1 poplar and 2 sycamore trees, 4 Brookside

The following application has been refused:

P/2017/00022 – Conversion of two agricultural buildings into two dwellings, Rolleston Lodge Farm, 6 Lodge Hill Tutbury

“The existing buildings are predominantly open sided and as such the buildings would not be capable of functioning as dwellings without substantial building works which would include the construction of substantial exterior walls.

The level of construction works required to create 2 No. dwellings from the existing buildings would go well beyond what could reasonably be described as conversion, and notwithstanding the reuse of the existing concrete uprights as the main structural element for the building, the works would be so extensive as to comprise rebuilding. It is therefore concluded that the works necessary to create 2 No. dwellings from the structure on site would not fall within the scope of that permissible under Part Q.

2 The vehicular access indicated on the location and block plans submitted would amount to development. It is therefore concluded that the works necessary to create an access to the dwelling houses from the highway would not fall within the scope of that permissible under Part Q.”

3. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

Minutes from the Public Meeting have been published. Copies are included in Councillors information packs. Two members of the public have come forward to help with the project along with Philip White should the decision to continue be made by Councillors.

PART 2

FINANCE

4. BANK RECONCILIATION

	Q4 ending 31.03.17				
Opening Balance	50881.84	11116.42			
	61998.26				
Payments	14969.51				
Receipts	1511.81				
Closing Balance	35912.33	12628.23			
	48540.56		As per bank statement		
	48540.56		as per my records		
Plus petty Cash	39.29				

5. **ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

BACS

Jane Bucknall £472.97
(Salary)

HMRC £118.20
(Tax)

Jane Bucknall £45.72
(Phone and Broadband)

Jane Bucknall £54.73
(Repayment of vista print banners)

Mr J Deacon £769.17
(Environmental contract)

Mr P Gould £1101.99
(Mowing contract)

Barnett Tree Service £60
(Jinnie Trail Pillar)

ESBC £764.40
(Bin collections Q1 2017-18)

Income

Reimbursement of £819.88 for materials used on the Jinnie Trail from the Station Heritage Group.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Concern raised via email that the footpath may be being moved across the field from Beacon Road to Craythorne/Tafflands. Have forwarded the link to report a concern about a footpath with SCC.

Email received from Dave Hughes regarding flooding surveys and funding.

Hello Jane,

I'll be coming along to the Flood Action Group meeting on the 3rd April. [CLERK WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE].

Our investigations have so far been into flooding from surface water and ordinary watercourses. Our conclusions have been that although we can improve the flooding situations that occur at Craythorne Road, Beacon Road, Chapel Lane, School Lane and Station Road, we probably will not be able to eliminate this flooding entirely. So we are carrying out some works to improve the current system and we are also offering property level protection for those properties who may still be at risk in extreme events. We also intend to

install a flood bund at Meadow View which we hope will defend the properties further down the hill completely.

A letter was sent to all properties who might benefit from property level protection and a large proportion have replied saying they would like an individual survey of their property to assess what protection might be necessary. We are waiting for contractors to organise these survey visits.

The flooding at Brookside is from the Rolleston Brook, which is a Main River under the supervision of the EA. So no, I have had no involvement with Brookside lately. Enquiries about the flooding from the Rolleston Brook need to be addressed through the EA.

Regarding the £30k, I believe this has been assigned to you by the EA as funding, but only to go toward protecting properties from flooding. How you spend it on flooding issues is down to the parish. I am happy to advise you on this. It may be spent further improving the systems we are looking to do work on. But it would be best to wait till our works are done to see what additional works might be necessary and most cost effective. So I would advise your auditors to carry it through to next year for the time being. I would tell the auditor that this pot of money has been allocated for flood improvement works only. Any problems, give me a ring.

Dave

Letter received from Rolleston United Foundation – information about the Year 13 students small grants scheme. Information gone on Website, Facebook and Noticeboards.

Email received from Timothy Buxton, Highways Neighbourhood Team

Good afternoon All

We have now been advised that there will be a limited availability of a shared NHT crew available for the period roughly between the 24th of April and the 27th of October this year. Unlike previous years, we are not going to set a fixed programme for the visits this year, but rather try to fit in and around any events or amenity initiatives that you may have planned around your parish or patch. As it is a shared resource with parishes and member divisions in the Stafford Borough, the visits will need to be based on a similar timeslot allocation to last year, and although we will try to be as accommodating as possible where events are being organised for fixed dates, it may not always be possible.

If you already have something planned, then please let me know when, where, and the extent and the kind of work that may be required.

I look forward to hearing from you soon

Kind regards

Tim Buxton

Community Traffic Management Officer