

## Rushton Parish Council

### Minutes of the ordinary Parish Council meeting

held on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

**Present:**

**Councillors:** Peter Hooton (Chair), Bob King (Vice Chair), Joy Brightman, Mike Brightman, Sandy Cruickshank, Beth Milne, Kevin O'Brien, Peter Palmer, Bill Parker

**In attendance:** Emma Fontaine (Clerk/RFO), NNC Councillor Jim Hakewill, Chris Holman (Camgrain) (item 4), one member of public

1	<b>Apologies</b> No apologies were received as all Councillors were present.
2	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest.
3	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022</b> The minutes dated 29.09.2022 were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.
4	<b>Local Issues Updates</b> a) <b>Local Policing:</b> The Clerk will make contact with the Police and ask them to attend the next meeting. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b> b) <b>Mick George Landfill:</b> no representative was present. c) <b>Camgrain:</b> The gas work pipe installation outside the church will take place from 3 <sup>rd</sup> January. Questions were raised in relation to the disruption in the village and how long the remaining work will take. Camgrain will feed back. d) <b>Speeding Issues:</b> We will follow up with the Police regarding the speed van. <b>ACTION: Cllr Cruickshank.</b> e) <b>Roads/HGVs:</b> Cllr Cruickshank asked that any HGV operator details are passed to him, if vehicles breaking the laws are spotted within the village. <b>ACTION: All.</b>
5	<b>Public Open Forum</b> No issues were raised.
6	<b>Updates</b> a) <b>Matters Arising From 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022 Meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Standing Orders will be added to the website (they are currently not displayed there). <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b></li><li>Cllr M Brightman will be the liaison for the war memorial refurbishment. The Clerk will liaise with Northants CALC re their contact in relation to this matter. <b>ACTION: Clerk/Cllr M Brightman.</b></li><li>Cllr Hakewill will respond regarding whether green waste is used/sold on. <b>ACTION: Cllr Hakewill.</b></li><li>Cllr Milne attended the ACRE Parish Council networking event. The focus was the cost of living and warm spaces. She requested 'Litter Picking' be added to the next agenda so that plans for 2023 can be formulated. <b>ACTION: Clerk/Cllr Milne.</b></li></ul> <b>b) Councillor and Clerk Reports</b> Councillor and Clerk reports were noted. Any issues requiring discussion or resolution were added to the agenda.
7	<b>NNC Councillor Update</b> Cllr Hakewill updated on NNC matters. The issue of Pullman Close (an unadopted road) was discussed. The Clerk will forward the correspondence from Highways, the Unadopted Roads Team and a resident, to Cllr Hakewill for review to see if he can expedite a resolution. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b>

8	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>The following was discussed:</p> <p>a) The accounts for Rushton Parish Council and the Community Minibus were reviewed and approved.</p> <p>b) Payments contained in the payment schedule were reviewed and approved.</p> <p>c) The additional hours worked by the Clerk were reviewed and approved for payment.</p> <p>d) The budget presented at the meeting was reviewed and approved for the 2023/24 financial year.</p> <p>e) It was resolved to submit the precept demand for 2023/24 for the sum of £8,610. This represents a 2% increase on the 2022/23 figure. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b></p>
9	<p><b>Village Map and Village Sign</b></p> <p>With regard to the village map, Cllr Cruickshank is liaising with the artist and will update next meeting. <b>ACTION: Cllr Cruickshank.</b></p> <p>A new village sign will cost £2,450, the mounting post is £225 and delivery and erection is £195. The cost of replacing the Pipewell mounting post and cleaning up the sign is £1,800. It was resolved (by a majority vote), to return the grant money for the second village sign and not pursue this matter for the time being. Cllr M Brightman will discuss the ongoing matter of the village sign concrete socket placement with Camgrain. He will report back to the January meeting. <b>ACTION: Cllr M Brightman/Cllr King.</b></p>
10	<p><b>Electric Vehicle Charging Point</b></p> <p>This item will be moved to next meeting. <b>ACTION: Clerk.</b></p>
11	<p><b>Community Minibus</b></p> <p>Cllr M Brightman submitted a report in advance of the meeting. The new Monday route commences on 9<sup>th</sup> January. The Friday route (Corby) is with the Transport Controller for approval.</p>
12	<p><b>Recreation Ground</b></p> <p>The moles will be monitored with a view to asking the pest control contractor to attend the site in February.</p>
13	<p><b>Pocket Park</b></p> <p>The Pocket Park has been awarded a grant of £4,000 from the Wind Farm Fund to cover operational costs and part of the conservation work.</p>
14	<p><b>Wind Farm Fund</b></p> <p>Just over £11,000 remains in the fund for distribution this financial year.</p>
15	<p><b>Neighbourhood Plan</b></p> <p>It was resolved to receive an update each meeting of the status of the grant funding for the Neighbourhood Plan. <b>ACTION: Cllrs Cruickshank and O'Brien.</b> It was resolved to add the payment of £290 in relation to expenditure that sits outside the grant, to the next agenda. <b>ACTION: Cllr Cruickshank/Clerk.</b></p>
16	<p><b>Planning Committee</b></p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0617</u></b> Application for an agricultural building on agricultural land on Glendon Road Glendon. It is to be used for housing livestock and agricultural machinery. We had no comments and permission has been granted.</p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0685</u></b> This was simply a notification for work on trees at Rushton Parish Church. Views were not sought.</p> <p><b><u>NK/2022/0503</u></b> This was an application to convert a studio into residential accommodation. It has been approved.</p>
17	<p>The meeting closed at 9.39pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on <b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b> in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.</p>

ACTION LOG

<b>Item</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Who?</b>
4a	The Clerk will make contact with the Police and ask them to attend the next meeting.	Clerk
4d	We will follow up with the Police regarding the speed van.	Cllr Cruickshank
4e	Cllr Cruickshank asked that any HGV operator details are passed to him, if vehicles breaking the laws are spotted within the village.	All
6a	The Standing Orders will be added to the website (they are currently not displayed there).	Clerk
6a	Cllr M Brightman will be the liaison for the war memorial refurbishment. The Clerk will liaise with Northants CALC re their contact in relation to this matter.	Clerk/Cllr M Brightman
6a	Cllr Hakewill will respond regarding green waste being used/sold on.	Cllr Hakewill
6a	Add 'Litter Picking' be added to the next agenda so that plans for 2023 can be formulated.	Clerk/Cllr Milne
7	The Clerk will forward the correspondence from Highways, the Unadopted Roads Team and a resident, to Cllr Hakewill for review to see if he can expedite a resolution re Pullman Close.	Clerk
8e	It was resolved to submit the precept demand for 2023/24 for the sum of £8,610.	Clerk
9	With regard to the village map, Cllr Cruickshank is liaising with the artist and will update next meeting.	Cllr Cruickshank
9	Return the grant money for the second village sign. Cllr M Brightman will discuss the ongoing matter of the village sign concrete socket placement with Camgrain. He will report back to the January meeting.	Cllr M Brightman/Cllr King
10	The Electric Vehicle Charging Point item will be moved to next meeting.	Clerk
15	It was resolved to receive an update each meeting of the status of the grant funding for the Neighbourhood Plan. It was resolved to add the payment of £290 in relation to expenditure that sits outside the grant, to the next agenda.	Cllrs Cruickshank/O'Brien/Clerk