

**pMINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF
RUSHWICK PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 7.30 PM
IN RUSHWICK VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Deakin (Chairman), Cllr Parker, Cllr Khan, Cllr Wigglesworth and Cllr Rowley

In Attendance: Sharon Baxter (Parish Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer) plus District Cllr Godwin.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Williams (Personal), Cllr Jenkins (Holiday), Cllr Haywood (Holiday) - accepted
District Cllr Chambers – received.
2. Declaration of Interests
 1. Members were reminded to update their register of interests.
 2. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary: None
 3. Other Disclosable Interests: None
3. To consider written requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011): None requested.

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes.

4. Minutes: The minutes of The Parish Council Meeting of 08.08.18 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.
5. Progress Reports: Matters arising from previous minutes – None
The Action Plan was reviewed and updated.
The Football lease is now completed and is to be sent to the solicitor to finalise.
The mobile VAS sign will be inspected by the Chairman and moved to suitable locations to help reduce speeding. Locations include 30MPH by the Village hall, 30MPH by Claphill Lane, 20MPH by the School and opposite the Pub and 40MPH along the Bromyard Road.
6. Parish Lengthsman Scheme: No timesheet submitted this month.
7. Reports from representatives: To receive an update
 1. County Councillor – Cllr Grove – No report available
 2. District Councillor – Cllr Godwin
Engineering Works have started at the Council House and the car park is now closed to the public.
The Woodland Trust has 400 free saplings available to schools for planting this autumn.
A new officer has been appointed to Housing & Communities.
MHDC to distribute a magazine this month to every household.
Five year housing supply is in good order.
910 submissions for land consideration across all the counties have been received.
Worcester Leaders Board have agreed 50 Syrian refugees to be placed into families/foster care by early November 2018 onwards

NOVEMBER 2018 onwards.

Brunel House has now been sold, The Grange has been let and the sale of Priory Road has fallen

through.

Local Democracy Day for Secondary Schools is being held on 10th October 2018.

Parish and Town Council Forum - Monday 22 October, 6pm

3. Report from Village Hall Committee – Cllr Rowley – Nothing to report as no meeting had taken place.
4. Footpath Officers report – Cllr Williams
Walked Footpath 515B (beside The Whitehall Inn, as far as the field) and removed 18 black dog poo bags. Dog Fouling hotspots to be reported in the Parish Newsletter and also reported to the Street Scene Officer /Dog Warden at MHDC.
Footpath 519B (between the railway bridge and the far end of the Ash Path) and cut back nettles.

5. Report from Playscape – Cllr Parker
The fence has been tightened. Seeking to install a new gate before winter.
6. School Representative report – Cllr Wigglesworth
School has returned. Some minor snagging works to the playground have been completed.
7. Village Hall Development Committee – Cllr Khan
 1. Committee held last meeting on 06.09.18 at 6.30pm at the Village Hall.
 2. Focus was on planning for Rushwick Village Hall – Open Afternoon Saturday 29th September 2-4pm
 3. The purpose of the Open Afternoon is to explain more about the funds allocated to the redevelopment of the village hall and get the views of local residents about how the funds could be used.
 4. The Open Afternoon will consist of various activities and displays for the families living in the village.
 5. Most of the groups that use the hall for their activities will have tables to explain what they do and possibly attract new members.
 6. The Parish Council also has a table allocated to them which they will use to display the work of the Parish Council and promote The Neighbourhood Plan.

8. Finance
 1. Payment of accounts as per schedule were authorised.
 2. Bank Reconciliation Statement – For Information
 3. Conclusion of Audit year ended 31 March 2018 – For Information Only

9. Planning Application Decisions:-

For Information Only

Planning Application No: 18/00608/FUL

Location: School House, Crown East, Worcester, WR2 5TU

Proposal: Proposed new access onto Crown East lane to serve Old School House (retrospective)

Application Approved

10. Update on the Parish Neighbourhood Plan - This will be promoted at a stand at the Village Hall Open Day on Saturday 29th September 2018 2-4pm. . An introduction to the Neighbourhood plan will be presented, its

purpose and how people can help to be involved in this project.
Cllr Khan kindly agreed to liaise with CALC regarding advice and funding opportunities to assist with developing a robust Neighbourhood Plan.

11. Correspondence for Information - Circulated electronically by the Clerk
12. Councillors' reports and items for future agendas
Cllr Parker highlighted a parishioners concern over a potential planning application regarding a garden site.
Cllr Parker reported an overgrown pathway from Claphill Lane beyond October Cottage. The Chairman will ask the Lengthsman to cut.
District Cllr Godwin queried who owned a redundant post/vent over the railway bridge. This was confirmed to belong to Severn Trent.
Some Poo Watch posters are to be delivered to Cllr Williams.

Meeting closed at 8.43 pm

Signed Chairman..... Date.....