

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF  
RUSHWICK PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST 2019 AT 7.30 PM  
IN RUSHWICK VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Deakin (Chairman), Cllr Parker, Cllr Jenkins, Cllr Williams, Cllr Khan, Cllr Rowley & Cllr Haywood

In Attendance: Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer Sharon Baxter plus 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence:  
Cllr Wigglesworth (Personal) - accepted  
County Councillor Grove (Personal) & District Councillors Walton & Chambers (MHDC) - 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.

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| <p>The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes.<br/>Reports from County/District Councillors were circulated</p> |
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4. Minutes: Having been previously circulated the minutes of The Parish Council meeting of 10.07.19 were signed as a true and correct record.
5. Progress Reports: Cllr Williams confirmed he had now purchased a hedge trimmer to assist with footpath clearance at a cost of £40.00. The Action Plan was reviewed and updated.
6. Parish Lengthsman Scheme: Updated as per worksheet.
7. Reports from representatives:
  1. Report from Village Hall Committee: Cllr Rowley  
No further progress on the handover of the car park. No response to the letter issued to Kier requesting that the handover takes place by end of July  
We have kindly received the donation of a silhouette soldier which will be installed near the flag staff.  
In the process of constructing a new website.
  2. Footpath Officers: Cllr Williams  
Cllr Williams continues to strive to clear footpaths by cutting overgrown vegetation to make them accessible. The purchase of a new hedge trimmer is of great benefit in helping to clear footpaths to a distance between 1-1.5 metres wide. Whilst attending to footpaths he has exchanged contact details with a wildlife expert who has huge knowledge of this area, which will be very beneficial.  
Cllr Parker to liaise with the tenant at Brookend Farm regarding a huge pile of branches/clippings left in the farm gateway. He update at the next meeting.
  3. Report from Playscape: Cllr Parker  
The security gate continues to be opened/closed each morning and evening.  
A quote has been received from Hags for both refurbishment of some of the existing play equipment and to provide new play equipment, of which S106 monies will be used. It was highlighted S106 funding cannot be used to repair existing play equipment.  
A Working Party was set up consisting 4/5 members - called Toddler Playscape who will liaise with suppliers to obtain further quotes and to try and establish what play equipment would be most suitable for the younger age group.

4. School Representative report: Cllr Wigglesworth - Nothing to report.
5. Village Hall Development Committee: Cllr Khan - Nothing to report.
8. Update on the Parish Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Jenkins  
The Village survey has been carried out with a good response of over 50%. By the end of this week, the questionnaires will be referred to the consultants who will analyse the survey results. It is anticipated a public meeting will then be held in September .
9. Finance
  1. Payment of accounts as per schedule were authorised.
  2. Bank Reconciliation Statement - For Information.
10. Planning:  
Planning Application No: 19/00990/HP  
Location: The Hollies. Holly Tree Lane, Rushwick, WR2 5AQ  
Proposal: Construction of a new garage to replace existing store, and alterations to roof and fenestration  
of existing porch.  
Comments: No Objections
11. Correspondence for Information: Clerk has circulated electronically  
Cllr Deakin declared an ODI in respect of the request from Scope, as he used to work for this Charity.  
Councillors considered a request from Scope to place a Clothing Bank at a suitable location in the village.  
Unfortunately they were unable to identify a suitable location for this request. They did suggest Scope should contact local businesses to see if they could help.
12. Councillors' reports and items for future agendas –  
Cllr Khan requested an item for Better use of Social media.

Meeting closed at 8.40 pm

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

*Standing Orders were adjourned for Public Question Time*

## PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A parishioner expressed his dissatisfaction with the progress made to combat speeding in the village.

The Chairman explained WCC had cancelled the meeting scheduled for July due to holidays and this will now take place in September. He will also speak to the Lengthsman to ask if he would be interested in moving the mobile VAS signed around the village.

*Standing Orders were reimposed*

