

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF RUSHWICK PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th JANUARY 2017 AT 7.30 PM
IN RUSHWICK VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Deakin (Chairman), Cllr Parker, Cllr Elcock, Cllr Bennett, Cllr Rowley and Cllr Haywood.

In Attendance: District Councillor Chambers plus 2 members of the public.

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr Wigglesworth (Holiday) & Cllr Williams (Personal) – accepted.
2. To appoint a new councillor by co-option – Item deferred
3. Declaration of Interests
 1. Members were reminded to update their register of interests.
 2. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary: None
 3. Other Disclosable Interests: None
4. 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

5. Minutes: The minutes of The Parish Council Meetings stated below, having been previously circulated, were signed as a true and correct record:-
 - Wednesday 14th December 2016
 - Planning Committee Minutes 15.12.16
 - Planning Committee Minutes 22.12.16
6. Progress Reports: No Matters arising from previous minutes. The Action Plan was reviewed and updated. Cllr Elcock is looking to purchase a flag staff and is due to visit the factory to gain prices.
7. Parish Lengthsman Scheme: An update was received as per worksheet
8. Reports from representatives: To receive an update
 1. County Councillor – No report available
 2. District Councillor – Cllr Chambers
 - Waste Procurement Exercise is under review. A decision will be made in January 2017.
 - Worcestershire County Council is looking to consult with residents on the Worcestershire's Local Transport Plan 4.
 - Lower Broadheath had received a briefing concerning 1500 student accommodation associated with Worcester University.
 3. Report from Village Hall Committee
Cllr Elcock confirmed the 1st draft for the proposed extension to the Village Hall had been completed by the architects. A Public Consultation is anticipated in March 2017.
 4. Footpath Officers report
Cllr Elcock confirmed the new dog gates are due to be installed shortly.
He reported an accident where somebody had tripped on the footpath located at the rear of Brookfield's Farm. The trip hazard is to be attended to.
 5. Report from Playscape – Cllr Parker confirmed the bollards had not been opened/closed as they were frozen due to the weather conditions.
 - a. Update on Football Contract – In progress
 6. School Representative report: Report from Cllr Wigglesworth
Building is due to begin 30th January and complete 20th October 2017.
Phase one is due to finish on 4th August. This is imperative as there are two new classrooms to be built on the south end of the site one of which will be the new Reception class for 30 children.

I have asked that all site traffic and deliveries should enter the site from the roundabout on the A4440 and turn left into Upper Wick Lane. There should be directional signage in place! Parking I am sure will be a problem but we shall have to wait and see. It is recommended that families car share or if they live in the village walk!!! There are going to be weekly progress meeting on site.

9. Finance
 1. Payment of accounts as per schedule were authorized.
 2. Agreed budget and precept 2017/18- For Information Only
 3. The budget comparison to December 2016 against budget 2016/17 was reviewed.
 4. The Risk Schedule and The Model Scheme of Delegation were both reviewed and adopted.

10. The following planning application was considered:-

Planning Application No: 16/01688/HOU

Proposal: First floor side extension

Location: 1 Minett Avenue, Rushwick, WR2 5TQ

Comments: No objections as long as the materials used are sympathetic to the surrounding.

11. Correspondence for Information – Clerk had circulated information electronically.
12. Councillors' reports and items for future agendas
Cllr Bennett reported that straight up Claphill Lane on the left hand side a cone had been placed over a piece of iron protruding from a fence. Cllr Parker/Deakin to investigate further.

Meeting closed 8.38pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk

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

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

John Scott – Broadmore Green

Confirmed he had attended a meeting on 19.12.16 at WCC to discuss and identify the flooding and water issues in Broadmore Green. A report is to be available by the end of January 2017.

Abigail Tilling – Bransford Road

Requested an update on the building development next to the Village Hall. Is this likely to go to Area Committee Meeting and if so when? She questioned would the Parish Council make representation at this meeting?

It was confirmed this is likely to happen on 1st February 2017. The Parish Council had already submitted their comments.