## Minutes of the Meeting of Rushock Parish Council held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2014 in Rushock Village Hall at 7.30pm

**Present:** Cllrs. L. McCurrich (Chairman), J. Nicholls, J. Cutress, T. Jennings, and G. Wilson, Mr. W. Waldron and the Clerk

**To Receive Apologies and Approve Reasons for Absence:** Apologies were received from Cllrs. D. Cutler and T. Green, District Cllr. S. Williams and the Police. Cllr McCurrich reported the death of Cllr Hayward's son and a letter of condolence was to be sent.

**Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest

**Minutes:** Minutes of the Annual Meeting and Parish Council Meeting 28.5.14 and Planning Meeting 18.6.14 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Progress Reports not Covered Elsewhere: There were none

**Reports from District and County Councilors if Present**: It had been hoped that the Council could be briefed on WFDC adoption of Affordable Housing Policy. Cllr McCurrich reported on the change in registering to vote.

**Police:** PCSO Niall Ryland had provided a report detailing a case of arson involving a portaloo close to Rushock Trading Estate, suspected travellers driving away from a farm at high speed in a white van and a suspicious male at the gates of Rushock Trading estate in a purple Mondeo. Cllr McCurrich to advise PCSO Ryland that he had reported to West Mercia Police his daughter observing a white van and maroon Mondeo behaving suspiciously at Broad Alley on the A442. Cllr McCurrich had the registration number of a car being driven recklessly in the lanes which he would forward to PCSO Debbie Johnson.

**Planning:** Application No. 14/0293/FULL Erection of agricultural steel portal framed building at Rushock Court Farm, Rushock and 14/0301/FULL two storey side extension to existing office, single storey extension to existing storage building and erection of new storage building at TEC Electric Motors Ltd, Building 2, Rushock Trading Estate, Rushock had been approved. Cllr Cutler had written to S. Shaw confirming agreement with his view that Parish Councils should benefit from Business Rates. The Re-Wyre Autumn Conference was to take place on 13.10.14. It was agreed that the Planning Sub Committee should be comprised of Cllrs. J. Nicholls, D. Cutler, J. Cutress and T. Jennings.

**Highways:** Cllr Nicholls reported that the visibility splays and grips needing attention had been dealt with. Cllr Nicholls, the lengthsman and Mr. Pardoe had put scalpings on the verges in New Farm Lane and part of Park Lane. More scalpings were needed but another load could not be justified at the moment. Cllr Wilson reported some big holes in Cakebole Lane. Drainage work at Gabbs Farm was still outstanding. A £500 emergency community assistance grant had been verbally promised to deal with flooding between Greyholme and the crossroads. The potholes in New Farm Lane had been filled in but the whole lane really needed attention. The Parish bench had gone black and this was to be cleaned off and oiled again. The broken slab had been replaced.

Footpaths: Nothing to report

**Finance:** The new Lloyds Bank account had been opened and £3000 deposited. It was agreed not to undertake electronic banking or to draft new Financial Regulations at the moment. The account with the Coop to eventually be closed. The Audited Annual Return had been concluded and there had been no charge by

Grant Thornton. Cllr McCurrich reported on the Big Lottery Workshop being organized by Mark Garnier which he would pass to Mr. D. Hamilton.

**Cheques:** A cheque for £48.58 had already been issued to WFDC for election expenses. Cheques were signed for £456.25 for Mr. W. Waldron and £19.10 for Cllr McCurrich for materials purchased for the bench.

**CALC** and **Other Meetings:** Cllr Nicholls thought the provision of poppy seeds was in hand. Cllr Cutress reported on the CALC Area Meeting 17.6.14 which had dealt with dog fouling and localism issues. Cllrs Cutress and Green to attend next Area CALC/Joint Parish Forum 29.9.14 if possible. Cllr Cutress to attend CALC AGM 26.11.14. A letter of support for CALC had been written to Clare Marchant, County Council Chief Executive, prior to their meeting with WCC.

Minutes from Neighbouring Parish Councils: Minutes had been received from Elmbridge 20.5.14

**Emergency Plan:** Cllr Cutress would do a write up in the Magazine on the example pack received from Western Power and would attend the next Emergency Planning Meeting 29.10.14.

**Communications with residents:** Cllr Green would be asked to communicate the updated version of the Rushock Parish Council Information and Community Emergency Plan to all councillors.

**Training:** Cllrs L McCurrich, D. Cutler, J. Cutress and T. Jennings wished to attend the next WFDC Planning Training on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014.

Correspondence: There was nothing significant to report

**Points for Information and Items for Future Agenda:** Cllr Nicholls agreed to work alongside Cllr McCurrich on the records and deeds of the village hall which are kept by the Parish Council as custodian trustees. Cllr Green to be asked to report on new bus time table for publication in the magazine

Date of Next Meetings: Wednesday 19th November 2014 at 7.30pm in Rushock Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Pauline Trimble Clerk