

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF RUSHWICK PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th MARCH 2017 AT 7.30 PM
IN RUSHWICK VILLAGE HALL**

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

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

1. Apologies for absence: District Councillor Godwin (Audit Meeting).
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
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4. Minutes: The minutes of The Parish Council Meeting of 08.02.16, having been previously circulated, were signed as a true and correct record. Cllr Deakin to complete the minutes for the Planning Committee meeting of 20.10.16.
6. Progress Reports: No Matters arising from previous minutes. The Action Plan was reviewed and updated.
7. Parish Lengthsman Scheme: An update was received as per worksheet
RESOLVED: To renew the Lengthsman's Contract of Services from 01.04.17 to 31.03.18.
8. Reports from representatives: The following updates were received:-
 1. County Councillor –The report was noted.
 2. District Councillor – Cllr Chambers
 - Council Tax will increase by £5.00 per year for a Band D property.
 - Waste Procurement Exercise has been granted formal approval and will revert to alternate weekly collections from April 2017, saving £250K per year.
 - Great British Spring Clean – Grot Spot went ahead successfully
 - Working with Graphic Design students from Worcester – Elgar trail
 - Annual Sports Award to take place at the Bank House on Thursday 13th July 2017.
 3. Report from Village Hall Committee
Series of events to take place in March 7 & April 2017 regarding tackling rural isolation and loneliness.
Village Hall AGM to take place on 24th May 2017 at 8.00pm.
 4. Footpath Officers report –Nothing to report.
 5. Report from Playscape
 - a. Update on Football Contract – A meeting is to be arranged with Oldbury Park Tigers.
Cllr Deakin & Parker repaired some of the pot holes in the car park with loose aggregate, lopped some tree tops and cleared up rubbish.
Cllr Parker is to report some anti- Social behaviour to the police.
 6. School Representative report: Report form Cllr Wigglesworth
The contractors will make good the grass verges and ensure all litter is cleared.
Demolition has been completed to the south extension. Footings for the extension are underway.
Work is on schedule.

9. Finance
1. Payment of accounts as per schedule were authorized.

10. The following planning applications were considered:-

Application No: 17/00253/CLE

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

Proposal: Certificate of Lawfulness for the use of former
School building from B1 (c) use in excess of 10 years

Comments: No Objections

Application No: 17/00131/FUL

Proposal: Construction of up to 106 dwellings, the formation of a new vehicular access onto
Bransford Road, the laying of public open space, landscaping and associated infrastructure.

Location: The Gardens Bransford Road, Rushwick, Worcestershire, WR2 5TA

Clerk to request a time extension. A separate planning committee meeting will take place to discuss.

11. Update on Section 106 application - Clerk to request a meeting with Jo Cross from MHDC.
12. Correspondence for Information – Clerk had circulated information electronically.
The Annual Parish Meeting is to take place on Wednesday 10th May 2017 at 8.00pm.
A suggestion for a Guest Speaker was Hartlebury Recycling Plant – Chairman to make enquiries.
13. Councillors’ reports and items for future agendas
Cllr Elcock confirmed the new build for the village hall would cost in the region of £634K
The railway has installed a new fence.

Meeting closed 8.50 pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk

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

Standing Orders were adjourned for Public Question Time

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Rob Matt

Questioned if there was any news on the building on the Ashpath - land adjoining Nursery Bungalow?
He was advised this had been refused.

Standing Orders were reimposed.