

# ROLLESTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## Meeting of Rolleston Parish Council

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025 at 7.30 pm, in The Greenaway, Rolleston**

**Present** – Cllr Steele in the chair, Cllr Gemson, Cllr Colman and Cllr Kyte, Cllr Keith Melton, Cllr Sue Saddington, the clerk (D Bryant) and 2 members of the public.

## Minutes

### 1. Chair's Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7.30pm

### 2. Apologies

Cllr Jane Geraghty apologised

### 3. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest

### 4. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025

The Minutes were received as a correct account, the vote was unanimous, and the minutes were signed by the Chairman

### 5. District/County Council Reports

Cllr Melton reported on the appeal for the land at Greenaway. He stated that there had been little progress. He stated that he had raised the issue of a perceived lack of transparency regarding the decision to go to Appeal at the Planning Committee meeting and to the Chief Executive. The Chair of the Planning Committee had responded to the whole committee. The Chief Executive responded that there should have been a Portfolio Holder involved in the decision to go to appeal. However, the NSDC officers' delegated powers meant that the decision could be made within a normal officers meeting, and this did not need to be minuted. Cllr Melton plans to raise the issue at the Planning Review Board to see if the NSDC Constitution needs to be amended to cater for these circumstances.

Regarding the tree project, Cllr Melton understands there may be some doubt if NCC will continue to fund "Trees for Climate". However, as this is a DEFRA funded project, this may not be the case. Cllr Steele reported that he had contacted Lynn Preece (NSDC) who had said that she would escalate the Rolleston project and would ensure the plans and planting suggestions would be produced asap. Cllr Steele agreed to email Lynn Preece regarding this commitment and copy Cllr Melton on the email.

Cllr Melton recommended that Rolleston PC should consider developing a Rolleston Neighbourhood Plan. He reported that he had discussed the need for Neighbourhood

Plans with Matt Lamb (NSDC Director of Planning and Growth) and they were evolving a plan to invite all Cllr Melton's Parish Councils to a meeting to learn what was involved and discuss best practises. Cllr Melton to chase Matt Lamb for progress on organising this. Cllr Steele agreed to write to Matt Lamb and offer Rolleston Hall as the meeting place.

Cllr Saddington reported that NCC had little progress to report. All Nottingham County Council Committee Meetings had been cancelled for June by the current leadership. These committees are vital to enable progress on issues affecting local residents.

Cllr Gemson thanked Cllr Saddington and the NCC team for all the hotboxing road repairs that have been done recently in Rolleston.

Cllr Steele asked Cllr Saddington and Cllr Melton about the licensing request for non-racing events at Southwell Racecourse as he had emailed both Cllr Saddington and Cllr Melton requesting them to escalate.

## **6. Public Participation**

No matters were raised.

## **7. Planning**

- a. No planning applications have been received as of the date of this meeting.
- b. Update on Appeal APP/B3030/W/25/3360525 for 24/00402/FUL, Demolition of two bungalows and erection of five dwellings including parking provision and amenity spaces on the land at the Greenaway, Rolleston.

No update as reported by Cllr Melton

- c. Any other items notified to Rolleston Parish Council prior to this meeting and requiring submission of comments before the following scheduled Parish Council meeting.

None

## **8. Finance**

- a. To approve payments as listed on payment schedule if any.  
The payments were approved, voted unanimously and the Chair signed.
- b. To receive and approve bank reconciliation and bank balances.  
The bank reconciliation was received, voted unanimously and signed by the Chair.
- c. To review the renewal of the insurance policy  
Cllr Gemson reported that he had reviewed the insurance policy. He confirmed that the "Flying Fox" apparatus in the playpark is not a zip-wire for the purposes of the insurance policy. Cllr Gemson asked the clerk to investigate with Mr Bosworth the ownership of the shipping container used as the flood resilience store and the insurance/asset register implications. Cllr Colman asked the clerk to request a public liability insurance document and to send this to Cllr Steele so that it can be displayed on the website.
- d. To review the progress on obtaining an interest-bearing bank account  
Cllr Gemson had reviewed options for an interest-bearing bank account with HSDB. He reported that there were two types of interest-bearing account
  - i. – Business Money Market account: The Council would commit to invest a certain amount of funding for a certain duration.

- II. Business Money Manager account: This account gives the Council more flexibility but returns less interest.

Following discussion, Cllr Steele proposed that Cllr Gemson move £17,500 from the Corner Farm current account into a Business Money Market account for 12 months. Cllr Colman seconded this, and the Council voted unanimously to support this. Cllr Steele also proposed that £15,000 of the Parish Council current account should be invested in a Business Money Manager account as the increased flexibility would be needed for the current account. Cllr Kyte seconded this, and the Council voted unanimously to support this.

- e. Any other matters appertaining to finance.

There were no other matters

## **9. Footpaths and Highways**

- a. To progress with Notts CC the issues identified with Footpath 5

Cllr Colman reported that NCC had received the report and Cllr Colman had been informed that it would take 5-10 days for an NCC officer to receive and review the reported issue. Cllr Steele reported that he was also finding out who owns and manages of the land.

## **10. Flooding Issues and Emergency Plan**

- a. Flood Warden Report  
Nothing to report.

## **11. Parish Council Owned and Managed Village Land and Facilities**

- a. Tree planting/wildflower gardens meeting update.

This had been reported on by Cllr Melton and minuted in item 5

- b. Playpark Committee update

Cllr Steele reported that the latest Playscape report had been circulated by Cllr Colman. Cllr Colman reported that the bushes in the children's play area needed trimming back and the Flying Fox needed to be replaced. Cllr Colman asked the clerk to order the replacement. Cllr Colman reported that the adult exercise area contained equipment that needs to be removed. After discussion it was agreed that Cllr Colman would design a survey to solicit the views of the village. It was also agreed that photos would be collected showing village children using the equipment in order to support future grant applications.

- c. Gateway to 2-Acre Field

Cllr Steele agreed to email Steve Bosworth regarding progress.

## **12. Community / Neighbourhood Issues**

- a. Potential licensing proposal for non-horse-racing events at Southwell Racecourse.

This had been discussed with Cllr Melton and Cllr Saddington and is minuted in item 5.

- b. Rolleston Neighbourhood Plan

This had been discussed with Cllr Melton and minuted in item 5.

- c. Potholes update.

It was decided to put this on the agenda for the July meeting.

- d. Speeding in Rolleston / Speedwatch Initiative

Due to a lack of volunteers, it was decided to remove from the July agenda.

### **13. Correspondence**

None received.

### **14. Agenda items for next meeting**

Co-option of Dan Sanders.

### **15. Date of next meeting – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

Given there was no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was closed at 20.51.

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