

Rolleston Parish Council Newsletter – Dec'. 2011

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Meetings take place in the village hall on the first Monday of the month (Except August when we have a holiday). Agendas and minutes are posted on the notice board in the Millennium Garden. Extra meetings are held as and when a planning application comes up, these meetings are held as necessary, often at short notice. The District Council Planning Department at Kelham Hall provide residents living close by to any proposed development with written information with regard to these planning applications. Interested parties should contact councillors to check whether an extra meeting is taking place.

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Councillors.

Alec Jezewski – Chairman	01636 814585
Linda Mason – Vice Chairman	01636 819009
Frank Blacklock	01636 812705
Steve Johnson	01636 819181
Frank Mitchell	01636 813014
Steve Short	01636 815019
John Smith	01636 814686

Lisa Tidy – Clerk to the Parish Council, will be leaving her post once a replacement can be found. Any one interested in becoming the new clerk should contact Alec or Linda for details.

Ian Whitehead resigned from the Parish Council at the last election. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Ian for all the hard work he did for both the village and the Parish Council. For those who may not know, Ian played a major role in creating, designing and overseeing the installation of the Village Play Area.

Parish Precept.

The Parish Council has had to increase it's precept this year due to extra costs associated with maintaining it's facilities in the village. We hope that you can see how The Millennium Garden, The Play Area and The Village Footpaths add to the character of the village and make Rolleston such a nice place to live in.

The Notice Board.

The notice board is in a poor state of repair and we are looking into the possibility of adapting the old telephone box to act as a parish notice board.

Highways & Footpaths.

These are generally in a poor state. We have pressured the County Council for improvements and will continue to do so.

The periodic flooding along Station Road opposite the Manor is being investigated by both the Highways and Severn Trent. They have found problems with the main surface water drains which (supposedly) flows through the village. These problems have been going on for a number of years but there are signs that some progress is being made. We would rather get remedial work done than deal with the emergencies the flooding may cause.

Any parishioner that has concerns over highway/footpath problems can contact 'The County Incident Hotline' on 08449 80 80 80.

The amount paid by the County Council for the Parish Council to manage field path maintenance has been greatly reduced. We will need to look at ways of maintaining the many parish footpaths so walkers can safely enjoy them. Therefore could walkers keep to the designated pathways and respect the landowners property.

The vast majority of dog owners keep their animals under control and 'clean up' any mess – ***Thank You***. A plea to the rest –please keep your dog under control and away from the two play areas used by children, also please 'clean up' any mess left by your dog.

Playing Fields.

These are well used and the envy of many neighbouring villages. Thanks to Bob Marshall for all the maintenance work and Ian Whitehead & Rob Squires for work on the new paved seating area. Please let the Parish Council know if you see any misuse of the playing field facilities. Feel free to remove any of the ever growing weeds and put litter in the bins.

Liaison Meetings.

These occur with both the Power Station and the Police Community Liaison Group. Contact John Smith and Steve Short respectively for further information or any queries you may have.

Anyone wishing to join the Rolleston Speed Watch Group which has made a big difference to the speed at which vehicles drive through the village, should contact Steve Short.

Risk & Resilience.

This is the new name for 'Flood & Snow Warden', Steve Johnson continues in this role to represent the Parish Council at various meetings. Nottinghamshire are trying to set up Community Emergency Volunteers in order to give more focus to emergency services if they have to respond to an incident. Volunteers would receive free training, co-ordinated by The St John Ambulance Service, on aspects such as basic first aid & health and safety. Any qualifications obtained would be relevant not only to the local community but in places of work. Anybody interested should contact Steve Johnson.

Future Events.

Carols Round The Illuminated Xmas Tree

Millennium Garden

This will be in the week before Xmas,
exact date and time will be circulated shortly

Senior Citizens Xmas Dinner

Unfortunately couldn't take place this year.
The organisers are looking towards having a 'Summer Tea' instead

Garden Produce Show

Village Hall
Sat. 2nd August
(Get Planting)

***MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW
YEAR***

To All Residents Of Rolleston

Village Hall Newsletter – Dec'. 2011

I should like to thank all the committee members for their help and contribution throughout the year, which is invaluable and really appreciated. I would also thank the Parish Council representative – Linda Mason and Julian Ellis, the Parochial Church Council representative for their guidance and help.

Over the past year we have had a large number of people moving into the village and this 'new blood' has been vital to the continued success of Rolleston Village Hall.

The regular functions at RVH include the weekly Coffee Mornings, Bowls and Keep Fit classes which continue to be successful and we have even had a few weddings as well.

During the year our very capable Village Hall manager Shane Person left us, but I am pleased to say that Clive Wisdom, the landlord of The Crown has taken over the role and we look forward to using his organisation skills. In order for us to maintain and keep this wonderful facility, and pay for its up-keep, we need to keep raising funds. I am pleased to say that fundraising events throughout this year have raised nearly £12,000 and would like to record my thanks to the organisers and contributors, to these major fund raising events, for their splendid efforts.

The major fund raising events over the past year have included :

**The Rolleston Olympiad
Lottery Bonus Ball
Murder Mystery Night
Ladies Night
Ladies Fashion Show**

However it was the Awesome Auction in April, which raised more than £8000 that receives my greatest thanks.

We started last year with a challenge for the future to manage outgoings and create income. I think we can justifiably say we met that goal but we need to do the same again next year.

We have successfully brought back Village Ventures and the latest production had an audience of over 100 who all enjoyed the evening and we hope to repeat this in 2012.

In addition to our long-standing supporters, we have a lot of new and pleasant people who have moved into the village and we need to ensure that their enthusiasm and drive are directed with regular schedule of events.

We have a fantastic facility here in Rolleston with a reputation for organising 'good does' and long may it last.

Julian Richardson.

Chairman Rolleston Village Hall.