

Rolleston Parish Council

**Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 3rd July 2023 at 7:45 p.m. at The Greenaway,
Rolleston Village Hall**

Present: Cllr. Jane Geraghty (acting Chair) - **JG**
Cllr. Bob Steele. - **BS**
Cllr. Michael Gemson. - **MG**
Cllr. Pati Colman. - **PAC**

Members of the public present: 4

Also in attendance: Cllr. Keith Melton – NSDC

1	Apologies for absence: None Introductions: Each Cllr introduced him/herself with a brief summary of their time and interest in the village. Cllr. Keith Melton summarised his interest and involvement in local politics on behalf of The Liberal Democrat Party and his abiding interest in environmental matters. He is currently the Portfolio Holder for environmental issue with NSDC. Cllr. Melton said that, as of the 3 rd July, the Labour (11), Independent (8) and Liberal Democrat (3) Councillors at NSDC have formed a group in opposition to the Conservative Party Councillors (14)	ACTION
2	Approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 4 May 2023: Approved by Cllrs Geraghty & Colman as the only current officers present.	
3	Matters arising not on the agenda. Rose Haydock requested permission for friends attending her wedding on 29 th July to park a van at the Village Hall. Members gave their agreement. It was later explained to Rose that as the car park is a Village Hall responsibility, she would need to get permission from the Village Hall Committee.	
4	First Open Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No reports from the District and County Council• Public:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- A question was raised with regard to Cllr. Melton's views on two outstanding planning matters in the village; 18 Fiskerton Road (NCC) and the land at The Village Hall. (NSDC). Cllr. Melton explained that he is aware of both matters as he is on the Planning Committee (NSDC) but has not read all the relevant papers yet and therefore could not express an opinion at this juncture.- A question was raised with regard to the BEST application to put battery storage units in Staythorpe. Cllr. Melton explained that, as a resident of Staythorpe directly affected by the proposal, he was not permitted to speak or vote on the matter as this would be deemed to be "pre-determination". However, he is allowed to	



	<p>represent the views of residents and others. Mr Melton explained that the issue is complicated and the chief concern of residents is the noise generated by the cooling systems of 300 batteries.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - With regard to planning, a member of public informed Mr Melton that, if a planning application is withdrawn, all papers relating to the original application are destroyed which means that when considering future planning issue Cllrs are unable to go back to see what was said previously. - Mr Jezewski informed the Parish Council that he is in possession of papers relating to the time when he sat as a Cllr. to which he offered access to the current Parish Council. - Mr Melton reported that he has been in touch with NCC with regard to potholes in the roads between Rolleston and Staythorpe and Rolleston and Fiskerton, some have been filled but he wanted people to be aware that he is "on the case." 	
5	Declarations of interest - None	
6	<p>Planning: Application 23/00817/HOUSE: Extension works at White Rose House, Gorse View, NG23 5SA. Plans were available to the public present. As a near neighbour Cllr Steele explained that the plans are for a flat-roof extension and re-modelling the back of the house. Cllrs voted unanimously in favour of the application.</p> <p>Update on determined applications (if any): 23/00263/ful Siting of Static Caravan for Residential Occupation by Equestrian Key Worker The Stable Yard, Staythorpe Road, Rolleston NG23 5SG. No further information available.</p>	JG & BS
7	<p>Financial Matters: Cllr. Gemson explained that the current banking arrangements, under which former members, Tim Harries and Christine Salter are the signatories on the cheque book, will take some time to change. Cllr. Gemson said that he is looking into on-line banking and switching the PC account to "Unity Trust Bank" which is an independent commercial bank who, "have been helping organisations to prosper and contribute to positive economic, social and environmental change". Cllr Gemson to take the necessary action to regularise the PC banking and to report back at the next meeting.</p> <p>Account:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the main account as at 22nd June 2023 there was a balance of £22,090.82. Transactions since that date leave the sum of £21,899.86 • In the Corner Farm account as at 22nd June 2023 there was a balance of £21,740.39. Transactions since that date leave the sum of £21,660.78 	MG



