Rolleston Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 6th Feb 2023 in the Village Hall

Present:

Cllr Tim Harries (In the Chair) Cllr Chris Baillon-Saunders

Cllr Pati Colman Cllr Christine Salter Cllr Lucy Sole

Cllr Richard Thackeray

Members of the Public: 9

Also in attendance Cllr Saddington NCC and Cllr Blaney NSDC

		Action
17/23	Apologies for Absence	
	Apologies received from Cllr Jane Geraghty	
18/23	Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 9th Jan 2023 were accepted as a correct	
	record and signed by the Chair.	
19/23	Matters Arising not on the Agenda	
	One item of finance to be added -Invoice from PKF Littlejohn (External auditors) £40 plus	
	VAT	
20/23	First Open Session	
	County Council	
	Cllr Saddington has been investigating what parking provision for the Village Hall may	
	have formed part of any original planning applications or agreements relating to the hall, to	
	establish whether this included any overspill parking on the land proposed for	
	development. She reminded the meeting of the lengthy road closure notified by Network	
	Rail over Rolleston Crossing. Cllr Saddington is organising a Musical Evening to be held in	
	Muskham Community Hall on Saturday 25th February. Tickets are £10 per person, with	
	proceeds going to a children's bereavement charity.	
	District Council	
	Cllr Blaney reported back from the meeting held with Network Rail. He informed of 3	
	possible positive outcomes from the meeting: improved signage giving information if there	
	is a problem at a crossing, an investigation into alternative crossings for emergency	
7	vehicles to access the village in the event of a road crossing failure, and for Network Rail to	
	station a reactive operative closer to Newark to attend faults on the line.	
	Cllr Blaney reminded people that if the rail barriers are down for more than 7 minutes the	
	public should report this by using the yellow phone at the crossing or telephone the	
	number given on the information board.	
	Cllr Blaney expressed concern about the road closure and in particular noted that the	
	indicative pedestrian diversion for passengers from Nottingham direction involved having	
	to walk through the Racecourse to the Rolleston Mill Crossing.	
	Cllr Blaney was asked about the requirement for Severn Trent to give information about	
	the frequency of use of the Pumping Station and the sewage issues in Rolleston to NSDC as	
	part of the planning process for the current application on land off Greenaway, as such	
	information is not available to members of the public. He advised that Severn Trent would	
	be required to provide such information only if the applicant or planning officers requested	
	it.	
	General Public	
	A member of the public suggested that part of the 2 acre field might be more suitable for	
	development for housing instead of the land leading to the Village Hall. There were many	
	comments raised about the latest amendments to the subject planning application	\ \d
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	store, the flood risks, and the suggestion made in the supporting letter that that the hard standing at the play park could be used as overspill car parking. In the latter regard it was noted that the village hall and play park are of course in separate ownerships and that the hardstanding in question is in fact a basketball court.	
21/23	Declaration of Interest None	
22/23	Planning Application: 22/01840/FULM Land south of Staythorpe Road Staythorpe Construction and operation of Battery Energy Storage System and associated infrastructure. The Parish Council voted unanimously to oppose this application for the reasons discussed at a previous meeting and lodged with NSDC.	
	22/02176/FUL Land at Greenaway Rolleston Amendments to application for Demolition of 2 bungalows and construction of 8 dwellings and parking and amenity space The proposed amendments were discussed and it was agreed unanimously that they fail to address any of the key reasons for objecting to the application, as previously lodged with NSDC. None of the amendments alter in any way the adverse impact of the proposals on the village hall, deemed an essential village amenity. Cllr Harries will submit further comments to NSDC, and also specifically clarify the following 5 additional issues: (i) that the Play Park is owned by Rolleston Parish Council and not the Village Hall, and the hard standing (basketball Court) would therefore never be available for parking, (ii) the revised plans are likely the impact adversely on future exercise of the legal rights of way through the scheme to the field to the rear, (ii) the revised plans show the approach road to the village hall to remain unadopted, with consequential issues relating to maintenance costs and access, (iv) that the Housing Needs Survey referred to in the application relates to the whole of the NSDC region and not Rolleston and therefore fails the sequential test, and (v) concern over the lack of provision for relocation of the Resilience Store and the size of trees proposed to be planted adjacent to a high, shaded hedge.	
	23/00147/FUL Bramble Liveries Yard, Staythorpe Road, Rolleston NG235SG Application for a non-material application to planning permission 22/00915/FUL to amend the approved plans to insert doors to the NW elevation and remove the mezzanine level. This was for information only, as permission has already been granted by NSDC.	
23	Financial Matters. Councillors unanimously approved the following payments from Main Account: a. Invoice from ICO Data Protection £40 no VAT b. Invoice from PKF Littlejohn £40 plus VAT £8 = Total £48	тн
	Cllr Harries reported the following balances in the Parish bank accounts: £20,507.49 in the Main Account and £22,080.59 in the Corner Farm Account. Current expenditure to date remains broadly on budget.	
24/23	Footpaths and Highways Cllr Harries and Cllr Colman had attended the meeting with representatives from Network Rail on 12th January. They were able to explain more fully the financial impediments to suggested improvements such as a footbridge over the railway at Newark Castle and digital signage at crossings.	
25/23	Flooding and Emergency Plan	
26/23	Nothing to report PC Owned & Managed Amenities a. Reminder that there is a working party for Play Park on Saturday 11th February 9.30 a.m.	
	b. Update on Jubilee Garden and area immediately in front of Jubilee Garden. The County Council Highways department have given permission to clear and grass the dilapidated	alles
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	and overgrown raised area in front of Jubilee Gardens. The land to the left where the large	
	tree, waste bin and seat are sited is also now revealed to be owned by Nottingham County	
	Council. A member of the public is in contact with NCC in respect of the tree adjoining their	
	house and await further news.	
	A working party will be arranged soon to improve this area.	
27/23	Community / Neighbourhood	
	Nothing to report	
28/23	Ongoing improvements to Village Amenities	
	a. Village pub - The Parish Council are delighted to hear that the pub will open soon as the	
	Vinery.	
	b. Plans for the celebration of the Coronation of King Charles - a working party is being	
	formed from all groups in the village.	
	c. Cllr Salter attended the Staythorpe Power Station Liaison meeting held 24th January.	
	The independently monitored noise levels were within the parameters set by NSDC	
	planning. The most interesting discussion was about a possible de carbonising unit. The	
	Power Station would like to be part of a joint initiative with the government to send the	
	carbon dioxide via a pipeline to the North Sea. If built this would extend the life of the	
	Power Station which without the de carbonising would finish in 2035.	
	d. Cllr Colman informed the meeting that in 2022 the Kate Greenaway Action Group	
	contacted East Midlands Railway for permission to put up some KG figures / information	
	boards at the station. KGAG were then approached by Nancy Roberts Gordon, their	
	Customer & Communities Representative, who suggested that the group might wish to	
	adopt Rolleston Station which would make KGAG eligible to apply for monies from the EMR	
	Customer & Communities Improvement Fund. [Grants up to £1000 can be made without	
	conditions, larger grants require percentage match-funding.] To do this we need to appoint	
	a number of adopters who will undertake to be involved in the planning and execution of	
	projects, for example, planters, information boards etc as well as cleaning, litter picking etc.	
	As an incentive, adopters will be offered perks such as a small allocation of 1st class	
	railway tickets. Although KGAG is keen to proceed, in order to forward our own purpose of	
	promoting the connection between Kate Greenaway and Rolleston, the group is keen for	
	this not to be exclusive, and if there are others in the village who would be willing to offer	
	up their time and become involved, they should contact Pati Colman on 07786 937266 /	
	pati.colman@icloud.com.	
29/23	General Correspondence Received	
	a. E mail regarding impact of amended planning proposals on rights over land on	
	Greenaway re the Haulage Way. Previously noted as part of the earlier discussions	
<i>(*</i>	b. Information from NALC regarding the employment of clerks, reminding all councils that	
	clerks need to be employed by each Council and not self employed.	
	c. Request for use of part 2 acre field ancillary to a wedding function in the Village Hall was	
	agreed.	
30/23	Second Open Session	
,	A request for 2 new litter pickers at a total cost of £60 was agreed.	
	The plans for improvement of the railway station include the installation of a cycle store.	
31/23	Matters Raised in Open Session or received after publication of the Agenda (for	
01/20	report only)	
	None	
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34/43	Date of next meeting:	
	Cllr Harries closed the meeting at 8.45 pm. The next meeting is scheduled to take place at 7.30pm on <i>Monday 6th March 2023</i>	
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