

ROLLESTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting of Rolleston Parish Council

Monday 2nd March 2026 at 7.30 pm, in The Greenaway, Rolleston

Present: Cllr Steele in the chair, Cllr Gemson, Cllr Geraghty, Cllr Kyte, Cllr Melton (NSDC), Cllr Saddington (NCC) the clerk (D Bryant) and 5 members of the public.

MINUTES

1. Chair's Welcome

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7.30pm

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Sanders.

3. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

4. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd February 2026

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 that the Neighbourhood planning meeting is to be held on 5th March. Cllr Steele reported that he had emailed Mark Sanders of the Village Hall Committee to notify him of the ongoing negotiations. He also stated that the village hall land is rented from NSDC. Cllr Melton added that the negotiation progress was slow due to the number of NSDC parties involved. Cllr Melton confirmed that nothing else was needed from the PC to confirm the Parish Council's expression of interest.

Cllr Saddington reported that the NCC budget meeting had been held and that the Council are looking to reduce the cost of transport for SEND children. She noted that many of the local roads are still to be repaired and that there was to be a public demonstration on the state of the roads. Cllr Bert Bingham (Chairman of NCC Highways and Transport Committee) is the correct person to contact to complain. Cllr Saddington reported that there will be an increase in the NCC council tax of 3.999%. Cllr Saddington is scheduled to meet the NCC Chief Executive on Wednesday 3rd March where she will be highlighting the state of the roads in her district. Cllr Saddington informed the council that her contribution to the Village Fun Day to be held on 27th June 2026 is being approved and would be paid shortly.

6. Public Participation

A Rolleston resident, who had previously sent an email of complaint to the Parish Council, raised the issue of parking incidents resulting from Southwell Racecourse events. The resident noted that parking is becoming a real issue and incidents are happening more frequently as more third-party events are being organised. It was also noted that Sat Navs are directing vehicles to access the racecourse via Rolleston. Cllr Melton reported that the NSDC Licensing Committee could organise a meeting for all the affected parties. Other residents confirmed that they too had had issues with racecourse parking and a double-decker bus which had blocked the level crossing.

7. Planning

- a. No planning applications have been received as of the date of this meeting.
- b. Any other items notified to Rolleston Parish Council prior to this meeting and requiring submission of comments before the following scheduled Parish Council meeting.

There were no other items

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. Any other matters appertaining to finance.
The Clerk informed the Council that £912.59 of VAT had been claimed.

9. Footpaths and Highways

- a. NSDC litter picking equipment purchase
Cllr Kyte proposed that she would purchase 2 packs of 4 litter pickers, 4 hoops and bin bags from Amazon. Cllr Geraghty proposed a budget of £100 be sent for the purchases which was seconded by Cllr Steele and voted on unanimously. Cllr Steele also proposed a litter picking weekend be arranged which was seconded by Cllr Gemson and voted on unanimously. It was agreed that the date is to be organised at the next meeting and publicised at the Annual Parish Meeting. It was also agreed to ask Cllr Melton if NSDC would provide NSDC volunteers to assist.

10. Update on Tree Planning project

Cllr Gemson reported that 500 mixed variety bulbs have been planted in 2 Acre Field and Corner Farm. Funds have been re-claimed from NCC.

11. Flooding Issues and Emergency Plan

- a. Flood Warden Report
Mr Bosworth reported that the flood team are struggling because the County flood action team group has got so large and the administration workload is becoming unmanageable. Cllr Steele asked if the soakaway on Station Rd had been cleared. Mr Bosworth stated that it had not been done and he would liaise with Cllr Saddington to progress this. Mr Bosworth asked if the Parish Council could arrange for the pumps to be serviced by a reputable company to ensure they remain fit for purpose. Mr Bosworth to organise.

b. Emergency Plan Update

Nothing to report.

c. Defib pads and battery report

Cllr Kyte reported that she has received information regarding the defibrillator and that the purchase is within the budget that was voted and approved at the last meeting.

12. Parish Council Owned and Managed Village Land and Facilities

a. Playpark Committee update

Cllr Steele noted that the annual playpark inspection report states that the condition of various pieces of equipment was deteriorating and now needed replacement.

b. Review costings for Playpark reparations.

Cllr Steele reported on the cushionfall costings and potential replacement. Cllr Steele wondered if the recycled rubber covering and would that be a better and more longer lasting solution. This would be investigated further.

13. Community / Neighbourhood Issues

a. Financial Implications of Village Hall land acquisition

This had been covered earlier and minuted in agenda item 5.

b. Licensing update for Southwell Racecourse.

This had been covered earlier and minuted in agenda item 5.

c. Rolleston Neighbourhood Plan update.

It was reported that the plan was in hand and that a letter had been prepared which would be sent out to residents.

d. Potholes, Occupation Lane and road repairs

This had been covered earlier and minuted in agenda item 5..

e. Dog fouling

Cllr Gemson has been contacted by the NSDC Community Protection Officer who had asked for evidence so that he can progress it and a fine issued.

f. "Stop the Bleed" packs for defib

Cllr Gemson and Cllr Kyte to investigate further.

g. Planning for Annual Parish Meeting

It was agreed that the Parish Meeting would start at 7pm and the Clerk apologised for any confusion caused.

14. Correspondence

There was no additional correspondence.

15. Agenda items for next meeting

Update from Cllr Melton on progress of land transfer of Land At the Greenaway.
Litter picking weekend organisation.

16. Date of next meeting – Monday 13th April 2026 (please note date change)

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for participating and the meeting was closed at 20.50



I declare that the above is a true account of the meeting held on 2nd March 2026 (approved at the PC meeting held on 13th April 2026).

Signed Date

Chair Rolleston Parish Council

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