



# East Rudham Parish Council

## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 15 November 2022, 7.15pm

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Parish Councillors present: Malcolm Pearson MBE (Chairman), Tony Elburn (Vice Chairman), John Dawson, Sue Jones, Rosemary Weeks, Trevor Davis, Mark Tozard, Chris Morely (Borough Councillor) and Michael Chenery (County Councillor). Also in attendance: Jodie Bond (Parish Clerk). There was one member of the public present.

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**1. Welcome and to receive apologies for absence**

The Chairman welcomed those present.

There were no apologies received.

Cllr Pearson announced that Cllr Wade has decided to step down from the Parish Council. Cllr Pearson wished to thank Cllr Wade on behalf of the Council, for all the hard work, help, support and dedication she has given during her time as a Councillor.

**2. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and consider any requests for dispensations**

There were none.

**3. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18 October 2022**

The minutes were approved without amendment and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**4. To report progress on items not on the agenda from the last meeting**

The Chairman reported that the tree on Broomsthorpe Road was unhealthy and should be removed. Some consultation was carried out with members of the public and no objections were met. Cllr Elburn therefore removed the tree for safety reasons. Thanks, given.

**5. Receive reports from Local PC, NCC Cllr & BCKL Cllr, if attending**

Michael Chenery (County Councillor)

The County Council report included an update on health and wellbeing events, a winter program with the elderly and the members fund projects. It was suggested that the bus shelter might be a project that would benefit from the Members Fund. Cllr Chenery agreed to confirm how much funding will be available to us but estimates it will be approx. £800. Thanks were given.

Chris Morley (Borough Councillor)

The Borough Council report included an update on the pay increase which has been approved, information on the forthcoming council tax for 2023, waste collections and recycling and recruitment at the Borough Council. Cllr Morley also confirmed that the planning application for 54 Bagthorpe Road did go to appeal which was refused, so there will be no development there. Thanks were given.

**6. Open forum for public participation: an opportunity to hear from members of the public**

Mrs Wade thanked the Parish Councillors for allowing the Christmas market. Over 150 people attended. The picnic benches have now been removed from The Green and the area left in good order.

Mrs Wade also wished to thank Cllr Morley for his support with Essentials Corner as a small business.

Mrs Wade went on to say that since the signage rules were changed there is a business that has left their signs out overnight at least 3 times within the last 10 days, which is not acceptable and requests that the

Council looks to have all the signs removed overnight. The Chairman noted that he has been in contact with the business in question.

The Chairman also advised that Rachel would still be happy to support other Parish Councillors with the play park project and car charging points. Cllr Tizard commended Rachel on the work that has occurred at the play park so far. All agreed.

## **7. To receive updates from council members**

### **7.1 Jack's Lane Windfarm Community Fund**

Cllr Pearson advised that there is still no further update until funding becomes available, but he has referred other organisations to the Windfarm Fund.

### **7.2 SAM2 & Speeding report**

#### Speed Watch

No further update.

#### SAM2 report

Location	Groveside (East Bound)
Average speed	29.5
Max speed	75mph on 4 <sup>th</sup> October at 5.55am
85 <sup>th</sup> percentile speed	34.2mph
Volume	115,512

## **8. Open Spaces & Highways Issues**

### Highway Issues

The two footpaths, up to the egg shop and by the bus shelter, have been reported to Highways.

The overgrown hedge outside a property on Station Road near the junction with The Green has now been cut. This work was organised by the Parish Council following receipt of a financial donation from the owners. Reports have been received from parishioners regarding the recently replaced West Rudham sign which appears to be sitting higher than before, and is obscuring peoples visibility, also it seems unlevel. Clerk did mention that this has been reported to Highways via West Rudham Parish Council and is in hand.

### Flooding Issues

Cllr Pearson reported that the ditches have been cleared somewhat and communications with the Estate are ongoing and work will continue towards clearing them. Anyone who wishes to help may get in touch.

Church Clock – Cllr Elburn has been unable to get it working so it needs to be fixed by Smiths of Derby who will charge approx. £150 to survey it. The alternative is to wait until the next service is due, next year. Cllr Tizard proposed that we go ahead to get it looked at and repaired now, as it is an asset to the village, and it is the Parish Councils responsibility. Cllr Dawson seconded the motion. All AGREED. Cllr Elburn to action.

### Play Park Visual Check

Cllr Jones agreed to take on the regular visual check of the play park. Rachel will drop the record book to Cllr Jones. Thanks, given.

### **8.1 Receive update on new bus shelter on Eye Lane**

Clerk obtained some prices which were made available to Councillors. The ballpark figure was in the region of £11,000. Following discussion, it was agreed to submit a funding application to the NCC PPS for 50% of the cost and apply to Jacks Lane Windfarm and the NCC Members Fund for the shortfall. Cllr Elburn agreed to contact the suppliers of the existing bus shelters, to establish whether they could also provide a quotation. Once received all the information will be circulated to councillors via email for decision and an application will be submitted.

8.2 Receive update on electric car charging point

Cllr Pearson suggested that an information bundle is put together and circulated to Councillors for consideration. Clerk is awaiting comments from the insurance company. Cllr Pearson thanked Rachel for all help with this project to date.

8.3 Agree for PCC to hold a summer fete on the Village Green on 15th July 2023

Following discussion, the Council agreed that the PCC may hold their summer fete on The Green on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Clerk to confirm this to the PCC.

8.4 Consider plans for the Royal Coronation next May

Cllr Pearson proposed that West Rudham Parish Council or the Playing Field Committee may wish to lead on organising a community event for the coronation celebrations and raise some money for the community. This will be considered further at the January meeting.

**9. East Rudham Cemetery**

The A-board signs for the church have been purchased and delivered. Cllr Pearson advised that once the weather is fairer the west side of the site will be marked out and next spring a working party will be organised to tidy up and lift fallen graves etc. Cllr Dawson kindly volunteered to help with this. Thanks given.

**10. Newsletter**

Cllr Weeks asked for the Clerk's report to be sent as soon as possible following this meeting. Clerk agreed to include a note regarding the amended rules for displaying signs on The Green. Cllr Dawson and Cllr Jones agreed to deliver to Cllr Wades' route. Thanks, given.

**11. Planning Matters**

11.1 To receive results of applications.

Old Butchers Site

Two updates have been received from the case officer

The first update suggests that action will be taken, as the demolition required planning approval and also constitutes relevant demolition that potentially constitutes a criminal offence, and also allows the council the ability to serve an enforcement notice requiring its re-building. Discussions will continue with the owner/Agent regarding potential options regarding the reinstatement of the building, which in our view would initially be the best way to try to move this matter forward.

The second update suggests that confirmation from the agent has assured in the meantime no further dismantling or demolition without the relevant requisite permission/s is intended and the Planning Dpt are actively liaising with the Agent and the Conservation Team regarding the former smoke house with a view that a meeting with officers can be agreed to and an agreeable solution can be reached.

Clerk to follow up on this again soon.

**21/01373/F** | Land Adjacent To 54 Bagthorpe Road East Rudham King's Lynn

Proposed new residential dwelling **Appeal** reference: APP/V2635/W/21/3288964

PC comment - SUPPORTED –No further comment | BC decision – Appeal has been dismissed.

**22/00777/F** | Unit 2 Coxford Abbey Farm Old Fakenham Road Coxford Norfolk

Re-building of workshop units following fire and part demolition

PC comment – SUPPORTS | BC decision - PERMITTED

**22/01146/F** | at Land NE of 5 Eye Lane and S of The Bungalow Fakenham Road East Rudham  
Variation of Condition 3 attached to Planning Permission 21/00498/FM: Proposed residential development of 10 dwellings. PC comment – No further comment | BC decision - PENDING

**22/01377/F** | Faize Cottage 21 Station Road East Rudham King's Lynn Norfolk PE31 8SU  
Erection of single storey outbuilding to provide a games room and store  
PC comment – SUPPORTS | BC decision - PERMITTED

11.2 To receive applications for consideration

**22/01816/F** | Nor-Ray House The Green East Rudham KINGS LYNN Norfolk PE31 8RD.  
Rear two storey extension, removal of garage roof to make open courtyard, alterations to front of house windows  
PC comment - SUPPORT

Cllr Dawson attended the recent planning meeting at the town hall and reported that it was a good presentation from Amanda Driver regarding the CIL. It was reported that staffing is a major issue at the moment and coping with the heavy workload is causing delays and other issues. Thanks, given.

**12. To receive and consider any correspondence**

Clerks & Councils Direct magazine – Made available to Councillors.  
Email from Janes Coffee Corner regarding other business signs being left out on The Green - Cllr Pearson has been in contact with the business in question and they apologised. This will be monitored.  
Email re free gov.uk email addresses - Cllr Tizard suggested that this would be a good idea. Clerk to action.

**13. Financial Matters**

13.1 To approve the bank reconciliation and payment of accounts list

The Council RESOLVED to approve the bank reconciliation and payments list (below).

Donator	Partial Refund of Donation	£50.00
Clerk	Salary (Oct-Nov)	£489.80
Hempton PC	Clerk Expenses	£27.33
K&M Lighting	Street Lights	£32.89
Councillor	Fireproof Wallets	£105.76
CHT	Annual Defib Support	£198.00
East Coast Signs	Cemetery Aframes	£194.40
BCKLWN	Newsletter Printing	£80.89

**14. Receive items for inclusion on the next agenda and note the date of the next meeting**

Items for inclusion on the next agenda: Second 'Archives Day' (February agenda). Consider extending the trod by the bus stop on The Green. The next meeting will be held on 17 January at 7.15pm.  
The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.42pm.

Signed by Chairman: ..... Date: .....