

**MINUTES OF ROSTHERNE PARISH COUNCIL  
BI-MONTHLY MEETING  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2022 AT 8PM**

**Present:** Councillors: - Chair, D. Fenton (DF), T. Burgess (TB), B. Beverley (BB), A. Marsland (AM)

**Also Present:** Ms. S Booth (Parish Clerk - PC) & Cllr R Finch (Mere PC)

The meeting was opened at 8.05pm.

**1 Parish Clerk (PC) to welcome and receive apologies:**

1.1 **Resolved** that the below apologies were received and accepted.

- 1.1.1 Cllr E. Wakefield (EW) – Sick leave
- 1.1.2 Cllr J. Gate - Chair (JG) – Sick Leave.
- 1.1.3 Ward Cllr C Leach (WCCL) – Work Commitments
- 1.1.4 C Blackburn (TE) - Leave

**2 Declaration of Interest:**

2.1 **Resolved** that there were no declarations of Interest on the below agenda items.

**3 Guest speakers:** Guests have been invited to speak on behalf of local organisations.

3.1 **Tatton Estate:** Apologies received from TE

3.2 **Fisher German:**

3.2.1 **Resolved** that there were no representative present.

3.3 **Knutsford Police:**

3.3.1 **Resolved** that there were no representative present.

3.4 **Cheshire East Highways department:**

3.4.1 **Resolved** that there were no representatives present..

3.5 **Cheshire East Ward Councillor Report:** Apologies received from Ward Cllr C Leach (WCCL)

3.6 **Save our Swan:** Cllr R Finch from Mere PC was invited to offer an update at the meeting.

3.6.1 An update was offered to the Cllrs present on what work has been done by Mere PC. Cllr Finch asked what the opinion of RPC was.

3.6.1.1 **Resolved** that the following has already been agreed and submitted to CEC in reference to the planning application 21/2975M - The Swan Hotel. The Cllrs present agreed that Cllr Finch could use the comments submitted to CEC and discuss these at a planning meeting to be held at CEC on 23/03/22.

*It was unanimously agreed that the Parish of Rostherne feel strongly that the public house with car parking facilities and accommodation should be kept on this site as it does have a strong heritage status which is akin to Rostherne Parish itself.*

*Rostherne PC did submit their comments to the planning department on the 08/07/21 - Case no FS347812450 detailing the above and to 'Archaeology East 'on 16/07/21 airing their concerns about the building being demolished.*

**4 Public Participation.**

4.1 **Resolved** that there were no MOPs present.

**5 Minutes of the previous meetings presented to the Council:**

5.1 Council to agree the minutes from the bi-monthly meeting held on 12/01/22, [P248 to 250] were a true and accurate record.

5.1.1 **Resolved** that no matters arose from the set of minutes.

5.1.2 **Moved** by AM, seconded by BB.

**6 Update on Actions:** Updates on actions from the previous meetings.

6.1 **Queens Jubilee:** Councillors to discuss and offer any updates in reference to the attached document and proposals from the last meeting.

6.1.1 TB sourced a quote for a 'Quercus Oak tree' at £150 each. Qty to be decided.

6.1.2 The Cricket Pavilion area is still the number one place for planting the tree.

6.1.3 Mr Brooks to be at the opening ceremony.

**Action:** *The Cricket Club committee are to be invited to the next meeting and added as an agenda item.*

## 7. Planning Applications:

7.1 The following planning applications for January 2022 to March 2022 were received.

### 7.1.1 22/0069T - Apple Tree Cottage, Rostherne Lane, Rostherne, WA16 6RZ

T1 - Holly - Reduce sides by up to 1 metre and reduce height by 1 metre  
T2 - Cyprus - Trim sides and reduce height to previous cuts  
T3 - Conifer - Fell as suppressed by other trees  
T4 - Rowan - Reduce crown by up to 1.5 metres  
T5 Willow - Reduce by up to 2 metres  
T6 - Apple - Thin and prune back to previous cuts

Registered 13/01/22 Comments by 22/02/22

### 7.1.2 21/2975M – The Swan Hotel, Chester Road, Bucklow Hill, Cheshire, WA16 6RD

Demolition of all existing buildings on the erection of a residential development [use class C3] with associated open space, landscaping, access, car parking and infrastructure.

Registered 24/01/22 Comments by 07/02/22

### 7.1.3 22/0831M – Marsh Farm, Marsh Lane, Rostherne, WA16 6SD

Agricultural determination for grain store.

Registered 28/02/22 Comments by 03/03/22

## 8. Exclusion resolution:

8.1 The Chair RESOLVED that as there were no members of the public attending the meeting, this item is not required.

## 9. Casual Vacancy

9.1 CEC notified the PC that no claim by ten electors has been received, therefore RPC can fill the vacancy.

9.2 A letter of expressed interest has been received and circulated to full Council.

9.1.1 **Resolved** by the Cllrs in attendance that the letter of interest was received, and the candidate will be offered the post.

9.1.2 **Moved** unanimously.

**Action:** *PC will write to the successful candidate.*

## 10. Defibrillator

10.1 The PC informed the Council that the defibrillator is now registered and will be serviced.

## 11. Finance: Cllrs to be updated and agree Income & Expenditure.

11.1 To note the current financial position at the **3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021** (Statements P193)

Current Account: £9,150.70

### 11.2 To approve the following payments.

11.2.1 RPC/RA/110 – KCFRT (Defib) - £90.00- Chq 000467

11.2.2 RPC/RA/107 – Clerk Salary Mth 1 & 2 - £AR- Chq 000468

11.2.3 RPC/RA/108 – HMRC PAYE Mth 1 & 2 - £66.66 - Chq 000469

11.2.4 RPC/RA/109 – Fentons Farm Food - £65.00 - Chq 000470

12. **Any other Business:** Cllrs were asked if they have 'any other business' they wish to discuss.

12.1 DF: Asked the Cllrs what their thoughts on purchasing our own litter pickers and PPE.

12.2 DF: Informed the PC that there were still some bags that needed to be collected after the litter pick.

**Action:** *Clerk will email ANSA and source quotes for PPE and litter pickers.*

12.3 Cllr TB offered his apologies for the next meeting.

## 13. Date of next meeting:

The Bi-monthly meeting is scheduled to take place at Egerton Hall on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 8pm.

Meeting closed at 9.40pm.

**LIST OF ACRYONIMS**

RPC – Rostherne Parish Council

CLLRS – Councillors

WC – Ward Councillor

PC – Parish Clerk

AR – Agreed Rate

CEC – Cheshire East Council

HO – Highways Officer

FG – Fisher German

TE – Tatton Estates

CC – Cheshire Constabulary

MOP – Member of Public

MPC – Millington Parish Council

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Chairman Councillor D Fenton  
Rostherne Parish Council