

**Whatton in the Vale Parish Council**  
**Minutes of a Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday July 24 2018, at the Jubilee Hall, Whatton in the Vale at 7.30pm**

Coun. Chris Grocock (Chairman)  
 Ray Evans    Chris Edwardson (A) Georgia Elms  
 Jane Morris    Julia Faulconbridge    Gregg Redford

Also present clerk Mike Elliott and Coun. Maureen Stockwood (Rushcliffe Borough Council)

1.     APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE    Coun. Chris Edwardson
2.     DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST    There were none
3.     MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 26, 2018 were accepted as circulated and signed by the chairman
4.     OPEN SESSION FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC  
        No matters were raised
5.     CLERK'S REPORT  
        Red Ensign flag purchased, to fly on September and was handed to the chairman.  
        September 25 meeting re road side verges – how do we advertise it. It was agreed that Coun. Faulconbridge prepared a leaflet and the clerk would print it.  
        Mr Gwyn Owen attended the meeting and was invited to speak. He said he was not totally in favour of a suggested pond to be provided in Queen's Wood, being worried it would not be able to be sustained and in addition it could be a possible danger for youngsters..
6.     REPORT FROM THE BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER  
        Coun., Stockwood, currently Mayor of Rushcliffe, spoke of the Borough reaction to the suggestion from Notts County Council leader Coun. Kay Cutts -- and supported by the Authority – that a Unitary Authority be formed for Nottinghamshire. The council felt for the moment until a final decision had been taken by the County Council there was little more that could be discussed.
7.     CORRESPONDENCE  
        Rushcliffe Borough Council gave details of its free trees offer scheme. It was agreed the council should take advice from Mr Owen as to the requirements for Queens Wood.  
        Rushcliffe Borough Council and Notts County Council and the police had advised that there was a possibility that travellers groups would be in the area after being evicted by the authorities from other sites. Parish councils were being asked to take steps to ensure their grounds were secure.  
        Notts County Council gave early notice of a Great War Commemoration Service at Southwell Minster on November 6 to commemorate the 100-year ending of that war in 1918.  
        Notts CPRE best kept village comments were received from CPRE. It was agreed Coun. Redford arrange for them be shown on the website and to highlight some of the comments that had been made.
8.     PLAYING FIELDS  
        There had been no meeting of the committee since the last council meeting. The chairman said he was arranging for a list to be made of the actions that were being planned for the future.
9.     PLANNING MATTERS  
        Rushcliffe Borough Council planning applications  
        18/01504/FUL. David Nock, 3 Riverside. Single storey rear extension, first floor side extension over existing garage, and replace UPVC windows with wood. Do not object.  
        18/01234/ful Mr Mrs Mussert Hirondezza, Main Street. Convert former barn to ancillary accommodation attached to existing residential property. Do not object.

8/01520/ful. Replace boundary hedge with 1.8m high wooden fence and entrance gates with new laurel hedge. No objection

18/001111CONARE. Andrew Needle, Chatalain Cottage, Main Street. Reduce 3 Silver Birch by 2m, remove limb of Sycamore over drive and crown life sycamore and cheery trees. Grant.

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18/0984/ful. Mr N Bajwa, A52 Tyre Barn Ltd, Road. Whatton. Erect store building.  
Grant.

10. FOOTPATHS

Coun. Redford presented a written report on the statement of all the parish footpath and this was discussed in detail by members. A copy was to be sent to Jane Baines, the footpaths officer at Notts County Council and the Highways authority. Coun. Redford agreed to the provision of a map showing all the footpaths in the parish.

Ulyetts were to be asked to carry out cutting work on and land adjacent to the notice board on Beverleys avenue.

11. FINANCE

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT were approved as per the circulated list

12. ENVIRONMENT

It was felt grass cutting work was needed at Griffins End as well as the replacement of the style between the glass and arable fields. The chairman reported that a resident had reported to him that his car had suffered a broken coil as a result of a deep pot hole on Dark Lane. The Highways department had been less than sympathetic in respect of a claim the driver had made towards costs in the region of £150.

13. QUEEN'S WOOD

Mr Owen said the two new trees that had been planted by the parish council were suffering somewhat by the tremendously hot weather and may need cutting back to about 4 feet to allow re-growth. He said that there was a need for more trees in Queens Wood and he would study the list of trees available in the free offer from the Borough council to see what would be best suited.

Coun. Faulconbridge said she felt provision of a pond would widen the interest of the wood for its visitors. It was agreed the matter be looked at as an agenda item for the next meeting,

14 WW1 COMMEMORATION and COMMEMORATIVE STONE

The chairman confirmed progress was being made in arrangements for the WW1 event to commemorate the centenary of the ending of the War. Coun. Edwardson was to be asked for his opinion in regard to treatment of the stone and the provision of the plaque. The clerk is investigate the type of material for the plaque and Coun. Redford was suggesting the wording for it as follows: "In commemoration of the end of World War One at the Eleventh Hour of the Eleventh Day of the Eleventh Month 1918. And further dedicated to the Honour of all those who made the ultimate sacrifice in defence of their Country and to those who continue to serve the Nation."

The chairman said the plan was to hold the launching ceremony for the Stone at 6-45 on November 11 and that a member of the Royal British Legion be invited to speak. A representative from British Gypsum would be invited as would Coun. Maureen Stockwood, the village representative on Rushcliffe Borough Council and currently its Mayor. It was hoped the ATC would also be represented. The beacon would be lit at 7pm and the church bells rung at 7-05pm in line with the national arrangement. The council would provide refreshments in the way of hot soup etc. in the Jubilee Hall at 7-15pm and it was suggested the bar be organised.

15. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING SEPTEMBER 25 2018

Queen's Wood pond. Highways,