

# Rudston Parish Council

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting held in the Village Hall  
on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2014

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(Meeting commenced 7.50 p.m. following Parish Meeting)

1. Present: Mr. N. Watson (Chairman)  
Mr. S. Rhodes  
Mr. T. Smallwood  
Mr. P. Wood  
Mr. A.S. Ezard  
Mr. B. Warcup  
Mrs. A. Starkey  
Mr. R. Van Der Heijden  
Mr. P. Crossland (Clerk)  
Also: Mr. C. Shanks observing
2. Apologies: Mr. R. Overfield  
Mr. J. Moorfoot
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting  
The Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2014, were agreed and signed as a true record.
4. Election of Chairman & Vice-chairman  
Mr. Ezard proposed that Mr. Watson continue as Chairman, seconded by Mr. Smallwood. All agreed, and Mr. Watson agreed to continue in the post.  
Mr. Ezard proposed that Mr. Warcup continue as Vice-chairman, seconded by Mr. Wood. All agreed, and Mr. Warcup agreed to continue.
5. There were no Declarations of Interest.
6. There were no Public Representations.
7. Matters Arising:
  - (i) Old School Garden (item 6 iii)  
The Chairman remarked on imminent erection of fencing on the site, and Mrs. Starkey relayed information that it would be in two weeks. Mr. Smallwood and

Mr. Warcup had produced a map showing intentions for the site, and the perimeter pathway was queried. Mr. Smallwood explained that it was not a complete circular route in order to remove the possibility of it becoming a “racetrack” for young people. There was further discussion during which it was agreed that trees could be left until a later date.

(ii) North of Westcroft (item 7 i)

Plans for erection of dwelling refused by East Riding of Yorkshire Council. Nothing more heard by the Clerk, but the Chairman understood that an appeal had since been made to the Inspectorate.

There was then further discussion on current building work North of Westcroft, especially as this had been a particular subject of the preceding Parish Meeting. It was known that E.R.Y.C. were “keeping an eye” on happenings there, and Clerk to investigate through Planning Compliance. He would also look up original plans.

(iii) Neighbourhood Watch (item 15 i)

There had been no response from the village following newsletter mention, and it was agreed not to continue the idea at present.

(iv) Parish Meeting (item 15 iii)

An Annual Parish Meeting had taken place in the main hall immediately prior to the Parish Council Meeting. It had been attended by 15 village people, including some parish councillors, and East Riding councillors Evison and Owen. Following the Chairman’s Review of the Year, there had been lively discussion and questions, and it was agreed to have been a success. To be continued in future years.

(v) South of Westcroft (item 6 ii)

Extra item as news had been received since distribution of agendas that the Planning Inspectorate had refused the appeal, and agreed (broadly) with county and parish councils on this occasion.

8. Matters Arising from Previous Minutes:

Cheque Signing (item 9, 29/1/14)

This was another extra item as the Clerk had just received a letter from HSBC Bank that day advising that the mandate form they had provided to accommodate the third signatory, Mr. Warcup, had been out of date. A new one was enclosed which, it was agreed, could be completed by all signatories at the end of the meeting.

9. Planning Applications

(i) 1 Lamb Row (Access)

Plans had been received for construction of a new vehicular access. Members had been mostly in favour of the proposal in principle, but there was strong concern regarding access onto the main road. The Parish Council had urged Planning dept. consultation with Highways, which it was understood was now taking place.

(ii) Springdale Amendment

An amendment to the plans recorded at the last meeting (item 7 ii) had been

received, regarding position of one of the buildings. Approved by members.

(iii) Byways – High Caythorpe

A consultation regarding upgrade of a byway to “open-to-all-traffic” roadway had been received. This was the route from High Caythorpe to Boynton Lane with only the first short section in Rudston parish. A map had been included and this was passed around the meeting. There was some discussion, but it was agreed not to oppose the proposal.

10. Co-option of New Member

No further nominations or applications for the vacancy had been received, and Mr. Shanks was co-opted as previously agreed. Appropriate forms were passed to him, and completed Register of Interests form collected from Mr. Van Der Heijden.

11. Accounts/Audit

The annual accounts had been duly completed and approved by internal auditor. Copies of the Receipts & Payments account had been circulated with agendas. After minor observations the accounts were approved, and signed by Chairman and Clerk.

Connected matters were raised. Mr. Ezard had approached owners of the newly-opened Bosville Arms to acquaint them with the village recycling facilities. It was expected that their use would reverse the £200 reduction in receipts shown in the accounts.

Mr. Ezard also reported difficulty in contact with Parish Paths department. The Chairman asked that when he did succeed, to mention Dark Lane footpath (item 15 ii, last meeting). There was discussion on that and related issues.

(Clerk’s note: Books to be available to view by appointment at the Chairman’s home from Monday, 12<sup>th</sup> May).

12. Insurance 2014/15

The new insurance schedule from Aon showed a small increase, but they were offering a 5% reduction for a three year renewal. The potential hazards were discussed, but it was agreed to apply for that. Clerk to set in motion, as payment due before end of month.

13. Committee Reports

The Chairman announced that the Playing Field A.G.M. would take place on the following Monday, when that committee would be seeking a new Treasurer as he had stepped down from the post.

14. Members’ Village Issues

Mrs. Starkey raised the matter of new licensing hours at the Bosville Arms. There had been some disquiet in the village when first published, and objections had actually prevented an Easter opening. An article in the current newsletter from the owners explained the situation. There was some discussion, and it was agreed that it would have been

preferable for such an explanation to have appeared in January. It was agreed that the opening of the Bosville Arms would be beneficial to the village as a whole.

#### 15. Payment of Accounts

Payment was authorised and cheques signed for:

NPower (Street Lighting, year to 31/3/14)	£716.62
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The Clerk remarked that this was a similar amount to last year as the price increase already announced would take effect from next year. (Item 14 i, last meeting).

Clerk's Expenses	£ 20.00
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Rudston Village Hall (Hire)	£ 7.50
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The Clerk also reported receipt of Precept £3,800.

#### 16. Correspondence

- (i) After approach by a resident, a traffic survey had been undertaken to determine speeding on Eastgate. That resident had been present at the Parish Meeting and given background explanation on the subject. The results had shown that only two vehicles per day exceeded the 30 mph. speed limit and the average speed over the week was 24.8 mph. The Council and Police had therefore concluded that no further action was to be taken. It had been agreed at the Parish Meeting that the Chairman would meet with the resident to discuss what measures could reasonably be taken.
- (ii) Advertising for flags & bunting, in the light of various nationwide events to take place this year. Decided not to purchase.
- (iii) Two editions of Parish News. Nothing much to report, but it was agreed that the Clerk could make mention of a Bogus Callers article in the next newsletter.
- (iv) Letter from Prime Minister trumpeting a government Employment Allowance, had been found not to apply to small parish councils.
- (v) Police News for March recorded "theft of medical oxygen concentrators from Rudston storage unit". Mr. Warcup knew of this and explained.
- (vi) News of a Cluster Meeting to take place on 21<sup>st</sup> May had been received. Chairman and Mr. Warcup were booked to attend.
- (vii) More literature on Emergency Planning had been received. It was remembered that Mrs. Turner had taken on responsibility for this subject, but as she was expected to be passing details over to Mrs. Starkey, this item was passed on also.
- (viii) Before this week's Bosville Arms re-opening, most members had been consulted about a possible letter of support. This had belatedly been submitted.
- (ix) Anti-Social Behaviour figures for 6 months to March showed one warning letter for Rudston. No details known.

#### 17. Any Other Business

- (i) Mr. Smallwood requested authorisation for purchase of paint for the War Memorial. Though likely expenditure was not known, this was given, as money from recycling would be available.

- (ii) More roadway pot-holes were mentioned, which the Chairman advised had been reported.

18. Date, Time & Place of Next Meeting

To be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2014, at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.





