MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF RYHALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
11 NOVEMBER 2015 AT THE METHODIST SCHOOLROOMS, MILL STREET , RYHALL

PRESENT Mr P Huddleston (Chairman) (PH),Mrs E Sismore (ES),Mr D Wilby (DW), Mr C Parsons (CP) Mr P Harris (PKH),Mr A Gombault (AG) Mrs S Smith (SS),Mr N Bellairs (NB),Mrs D Rolfe (DR)

01/15 APOLOGIES –Apologies were received and accepted from Mr R Rushby

02/15 DECLARATIONS OF UNREGISTERED DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS FROM MEMBERS ON MATTERS IN WHICH THEY HAVE A REGISTERED DISCLOSABLE PERCUNIARY INTEREST
CP declared a registered disclosable pecuniary interests in agenda item(23 Planning) but did not request a dispensation. There were no further DPI 's or requests for dispensations received from members.

03/15 GUEST SPEAKER - JAYNE HALE , RUTLAND COMMUNITY SPIRIT- due to illness did not attend

04/15 MINUTES OF THE MEETING
Minutes – 2nd September 2015 it was proposed by CP, seconded by SS and agreed unanimously that the **Minutes** of the meeting held on 2nd September 2015 were correct, and be approved and signed. (AG abstained) Clarification was given again by DW on the issue of the bus parking in the cemetery lay by.

05/15 PUBLIC TIME
There was one member of the public in attendance
Trees and overhanging bushes deemed as hazardous on walking routes round the village were highlighted by a member of the public. Clerk to contact those residents / the relevant authorities to ask for assistance in cutting back overhangs.
Highway issues to re- report to Rutland County Council (1) BT cover and Give Way sign felled on Coppice Road junction with A6121 (2) blue pipe work protruding out of roadway Balk Road junction

06/15 MATTERS ARISING
Community Funding Bid outcome- The bid was not successful.

Highways - potholes in Spinney Lane – have been patched by Highways

Request to Rutland County Council to adopt footpath Spinney Close/Coppice Road currently owned by Spire.
The footpath will remain under the remit of Spire who would be responsible should it deteriorate further. Overgrown hedge to be reported to Spire for action

Old Butcher shop – fly tipping and debris – the area was inspected by RCC. However problems still ongoing with rubbish accumulating. The Parish Council wish to ensure it is well maintained as a commercial premises within the heart of the village. The Parish Council to contact the landowner direct to resolve

Street Numbering request Balk Road- RCC has no obligation to highlight house numbers on street name plates. The street name plates are to inform road users of the street they are entering and it is the responsibility of the householder to ensure they clearly display the name or number of their house for emergency or delivery drivers to locate. The NHW have highlighted this information in their October Newsletter.

Vicarage Lane- Carter Jonas have undertaken repair works to remove the tiles and tarmac . There will be white lines to define the footpath area.

AGENDA ITEMS

07/15 St John the Evangelist Church – The Parish Council were asked to consider the final payment to Smiths of Derby for dial restoration. Due to a set of unfortunate circumstances, bees in the tower were the cause of an aborted visit by the clock restoration company who were due to reinstate the dial. It was proposed by NB, seconded by CP to pay the additional cost of £501 plus VAT as a gesture to the community. An amendment by AG seconded by ES, to pay half the cost was submitted. At the vote 2 in favour; 2 against; 3 abstained. The Chair's casting vote meant the amendment was lost. At the vote for the first proposal to pay the full amount; NB & CP plus 4 in favour; 2 against; one abstained. Carried

08/15 Rutland County Council Parking Review
The Parish council considered again the regarding request by RCC to comment on a proposal to impose parking restrictions in Spinney Close .Proposed by ES, seconded by DR an agreed that the Parish Council did not wish to set a precedent on parking restrictions in the village and voted unanimously to reject any RCC proposals on this. It was noted that not one resident had officially approached the Parish Council about parking difficulties.

09/15 Lives First Responder – The Parish Council were asked to consider a request for volunteers to cover Ryhall and Belmesthorpe. Currently there is no First Responder in the villages.
NB offered to co-ordinate with the East Midlands Ambulance Service (EMAS) to seek a Community Lives responder for Ryhall and Belmesthorpe.
Note: Defibrillator battery checked by Nick Bellairs – Guardian on 15/9/15

10/15 Grass cutting contract 2016 - The Parish Council reviewed the first year of grass cutting under the new contractors Glendale Grounds Management. It was concluded that Glendale should continue for the next season March – October 2016 under the proviso they would be monitored to ensure they addressed all Parish Council comments. AG wished to meet with the contractor to highlight Belmesthorpe's requirements. It was agreed to review the grass cutting contract at the November 2016 meeting.

11/15 Telegraph Pole Belmesthorpe –this area appears to be cleared with the removal of saplings.

12/15 Ryhall Emergency Action Plan The draft prepared by DW has been circulated to all Councillors for consideration. It will require regular updates as a living document. The Chairman thanked DW for his work on this project as part of the Four Year Plan and requested that Councillor feedback and contact details be forwarded direct to DW for inclusion.

13/15 Temporary closure of old footpath rear of Ryhall Library/ School- proposal by RCC. The School advocates retaining the path. Even though access is closed off at present, the School felt that it is important to retain should there be a need for it in the future. The path was in use up to 12 years ago. The Parish Council endorses the school viewpoint. DW to take comment back to RCC

14/15 Update on Street Lighting in Parishes
No further action by RCC at present as to whether the Authority will take back control of all street lighting in Rutland parishes. To revisit on a future agenda.

15/15 Four Year Plan
15.1 Library –AG reported good volunteer cover by a committed team of volunteers which is encouraging public attendance and great community spirit. RCC are producing an 'A' Board to indicate opening times; a new coffee machine and *Stamford Mercury* subscription has been purchased (noted in July Minutes) There will be three taster IT sessions run on a voluntary basis in November and December, it is hoped they will be popular and well supported.

15.2 Website – It was proposed by NB, seconded by CP and agreed unanimously to ring fence a budget of £400 to enable the Clerk to switch the current website from the free site to a Leicestershire County Council format, in line with other parishes in Rutland.

15.3 Neighbourhood Watch update- DR reported on the success of the email sign up scheme currently 25% of the village and steadily increasing. New NHW signs and wheelie bin signage are being considered.

16/15 Ryhall Meadows Playing Fields * Minutes of Meeting 4th November – circulated to Councillors.
(1) Committee back up to near full strength
(2) Trim Trail (ring fenced funds) to be considered again in the future
(3) Original drainage/ soakaway works completed 28 September and appear to be successful
(4) Drainage complicated by tree roots – further works required as indicated by correspondence from the School, who seek Parish Council funding to address this. DW to contact the school to discuss in more depth as first action
(5) Cherry Trees Renewal- regrettably the first batch of trees failed – an audit trail was set up to ascertain why. The RMPF Committee will be working in conjunction with the school and a resident to consider replanting another set of trees but in a different location.

16/15 Gala Day 2015
DR reported the success of the day with a healthy profit and donations of £600 to village organisations . The Gala Committee submitted a copy of the (unaudited) accounts to the PC for reference. The Committee hope to purchase a large marquee for future events, though it was noted that the church military tents are available to loan. The date for next year is Sunday September 11th 2016.

17 /15 Allotment Update – Tenancy agreements issued for 1st October 2015 - 30 Sept 2016
Rents to be increased by £2.50 as from 30/9/16. Minutes of the Association Meeting circulated and noted.

18 /15 Snow Warden – (1) It was proposed by CP, seconded by ES and agreed to the criteria from Rutland County Council for the Snow Warden scheme for winter 2015 /16. Mr G Roberts has agreed to continue as snow warden for Ryhall. The scheme is funded by RCC. (2) The Parish Council will take delivery of new larger spreader on loan from RCC. It will be stored at the village hall.
Belmesthorpe - Clerk to check if Mr Flint will spread grit as in previous years on a voluntary basis.

19 /15 Christmas Tree Lights – It was proposed by NB, seconded by ES and agreed to purchase a voucher to the value of £30 to the resident who kindly supplies electricity for the Christmas lights. The electrical testing undertaken on December 8th 2014 included cover for five years(expires 2018)
DR requested more lights as the tree is larger for a better display and offered to supply the electricity for the second set of lights from the Green Dragon Public House. She will research the best options and present to the next meeting for purchase of new lights for Christmas 2016.

20/15 Waste paper bin request. It was proposed by DW, seconded by NB and agreed to ask Rutland County Council to supply a new waste paper bin for the top of Essendine Hill.

21/15 OTHER MEETINGS
Chicken Farm Visit 17/9/15 – Report by SS, who visited the chicken sheds with RR and Andrew Woodhouse (RCC) Agreed that if further communication was required with Mr Hinch in the future , the Parish Council would contact him directly.
Ethical Standards Awareness Course at RCC -15/9/15 – Report by the Clerk- circulated to all Councillors
Parish Forum 20/10/15 –Report by SS
Village Hall Meeting – Minutes circulated to Councillors and noted. PH reported the recent complaint about a party and the response of the VH Committee who will be reviewing the hiring agreement. The Calendar is now on sale for 2016.

22/15 CORRESPONDENCE
Circulated: by email
14/9/15 From Sue Renton - Round Rutland Project
15/9/15 From National Grid Community Relations – re phone signal in Ryhall
16/9/15 Outdoor Gym equipment promo sent to DW for RMPF
22/9/15 Rutland Community Agents
17/9/15 Chicken Shed update.
4/10/15 Smartwheelie bin promotion
5/10/15 Further public

consultation on draft supplementary planning document – Planning obligations Town and Parish Councils. Consultation ends 22 October
5/10/15 LRALC Newsletter
5/10/15 Grant Alert from RCC including Empty properties, power to change scheme, Princes Countryside Fund
5/10/15 Community Health stakeholder survey East Leics and Rutland Better care together
5/10/15 North Beat crime stats
6/10/15 LRR Prepared week Emergency services
23/10/15 VARutland Better Care together
28/10/15 VARutland – Better Care Fund – Falls applications
3/11/15 LRALC Newsletter
3/11/15 Leics Police Deputy Chief Constable – update on Strategic Alliance

To Note
5/10/15 Rutland Local Plan – call for sites- Consultation ended 5 November.
5/10/15 Bus Stop Improvements wish list –Agreed to ask for regular maintenance of existing bus shelters
5/10/15 Rutland Employment Land Assessment Update – deadline for comment 13 November. Parish Council agreed to endorse the fifth point 'the protection of the parish from unwanted development'
23/10/15 Towards 2020 Leicestershire Fire and Rescue Service Consultation, open letter
3/11/15 From RCC Consultation on the Housing Allocation Policy
10/11/15 From Ryhall Primary School re erection of new signs on playing fields land- agreed in principle.
6/11/15 From Waldon regarding the Vodaphone base station upgrade on land off Essendine Road, Ryhall Filling station PE9 4JN. Removal and replacement of the existing 15m high monopole to be replaced with new pole 2m higher to facilitate new 2G, 3G and 4G network coverage for Telefonica. Comment prior to planning application submitted. No objections from Ryhall Parish Council.
11/11/15 From RCC Property Services will be erecting notices on all garages on Spinney Lane, Ryhall in order to gather tenant/occupier information. RCC own the garage bases and the tenants own the garages. This is to update records and assess the current occupancy rates. Following this RCC will be discussing and evaluating the future of this site.

FINANCE
Income received into Parish Account –
21/8/15 From RCC Street Lighting Rebate 1,943.00

Payments made since last meeting	**Nett**	**VAT**	**Total**
CS Johnson Hedge cutting on RMPF	200.00	40.00	240.00
Eon Maintenance	281.34	56.27	337.61
Glendale Grass cutting	485.00	97.00	582.00
Grant Thornton Audit Fees	200.00	40.00	240.00
Lamin & White Admin Fees	30.00	6.00	36.00
Precision Landscapes Drainage RMPF	416.00	83.00	499.20
Mrs C Adams Salary September			610.75
HM Revenue & Customs for September			127.87
EON Street Lighting	155.94	31.19	187.13
Glendale Grass cutting	1,254.00	250.80	1,504.80
Cory Environmental Dog Bins emptying	260.00	52.00	312.00
Mrs C Adams October Salary			610.75
HM Revenue & Customs for October			127.87
Glendale Grounds Grass cutting	418.00	83.60	501.60

Payments to be made at meeting:	**Nett**	**VAT**	
Ryhall Methodist Church Hire of Hall			15.00
Ryhall Neighbourhood Watch (previously agreed 14.01.15 for launch costs)			200.00
Purchase of flag for Commonwealth day (NB)			27.96
Smiths of Derby Dial Restoration Quoted price 2,147 plus scaffolding 963 plus VAT			
Total	3110.00	622.00	3732.00
Smiths of Derby Fee for aborted visit on 23/9/15 See note			501.00 plus VAT

Payments made from Burial Accounts since last meeting

	Nett	VAT	TOTAL
Glendale Grass cutting & Hedge cutting	56.00	11.20	67.20
Anglian Water			19.54
Glendale Grasscutting	84.00	16.80	100.80
Glendale Grasscutting	28.00	5.60	33.60

Payments to make from the Burial Account

Mr D Toone Burial Administrator Gross 950.00, Tax 190		760.0

Income received into Burial Account – None

Payments of the expenditure as detailed above, was proposed by PH, seconded by CP and agreed.

Accounts as at 11 November 2015

Current Account	4,875.32
High Interest	29,012.65
BPA	157.15
Burial Current	1,038.77
BPA	43p
High Interest Burial	425.79

Mandate – The Clerk confirmed that the signing arrangements amendments were now in place and the mandate completed 9/11/15

Notice of Conclusion of Audit – The audit of the Councils Accounts of 2014/15 has been concluded on 1/9/15. The Notice of Conclusion posted on the Notice board for 14 days commencing 4/9/15. Any local Government elector of the parish had the opportunity to inspect or take a copy of the Statement of Accounts and Audit Certificate, now posted on the website.

23/15 PLANNING

Full Planning Permission granted

Convert barn into microbrewery from C3 dwelling to B2 light industrial use. Crown Lodge, Crown Street, Ryhall PE9 4HQ (and listed building consent)

Side and rear extension and render existing and new brickwork- 19 Castle Rise, Belmesthorpe, PE9 4JL

Listed Building Consent- None

Notification of decision in respect of a section 211 Notice proposing works to a tree or trees in a conservation area *Remove to ground level 2 No Cypruss Trees The Birches, Foundry Road, Ryhall*

Determination as to whether the prior approval of details is required (Agricultural and Forestry development)- None

Appeals & Refusal of Conservation area consent- None

Refusal of Full Planning Permission- & Refusal of Non Material Amendment - None

Withdrawal of planning applications – None

OBSERVATIONS on

Fell 8 No Sycamore trees, 11 No Ash Trees, 1 No spruce tree , 1 No Walnut tree, 1 No Birch tree.
South View, Mill Street, Ryhall
Erection of footbridge over River Gwash, South View, Ryhall
Side & Rear extension single storey extension 49 Parkfield Road, Ryhall Stamfrod Lincs PE9 4ER
1 No Walnut Tree crown lift and thinning – Church Farm, The Square, Ryhall
First Floor extension to north elevation – 25 St Johns Close Ryhall
Single storey extension to side and front elevation of dwelling house – Variation of Condition 1. Brelades, New Road Ryhall PE9 4HL

Planning Comment :

2014/1152/FUL Erection of Grainstore 30m x 16m Land to the west of Newstead Road, Belmesthorpe, Rutland Dated 11 Feb 2015 The Parish Council had submitted the following response:
No objections but could Rutland County Council assess if the size and placing of this application have a detrimental impact on the Greenfield locality?
Since the building has been erected there have been complaints from residents as to its size and proximity to the road. It was proposed by AG, seconded by PKH and agreed to write to RCC again to lodge a further comment about consideration of our original observation. At the vote, 7 in favour, 1 abstained (DW) CP did not vote as he had declared a DPI.

National Grid Generator – Clerk to check the detail of the planning application to ascertain if the white building currently in place is a temporary structure.

25/15 OPEN FORUM

DW- the Scouts are still working on 'polite notices' to remind horse riders about horse droppings in the villages
AG- Requested a highways maintenance check on the road surface on Belmesthorpe Lane
CP – Informed the meeting of the barrage balloon to be erected at Woolfox, near Stretton to demonstrate the height of proposed wind turbines.

26/ 15 NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th January 2016 at 7.00pm at the Methodist Church Hall , Ryhall . This is the precept setting meeting when the budget for the forthcoming financial year is agreed.
Tim Hiskens, Melton and Rutland County District Manager for Leicestershire Fire and Rescue service, will attend the meeting to discuss and help identify vulnerable people in the parish for home fire safety checks.
PCSO Eleanor Allam will also be attending the January meeting