

RUSHTON PARISH COUNCIL

A MEETING OF RUSHTON PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 17^h February 2026

at the Jessie Hughes Village Hall at 7:30pm

A G E N D A

Public Speaking time will be restricted to fifteen minutes.

Members of the public are more than welcome to stay for the Parish Council Meeting but are not permitted to speak during this time.

1. **To receive apologies for absence and reason.
To receive Disclosures of Pecuniary and personal Interests**
2. **To agree the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of 20th January 2026**
3. **Public Speaking Time.**
4. **To review draft budget for the year 2026-2027**
5. **Planning matters**
 - 1- **To note planning decisions.**
 - 2- **To consider response to planning applications received
Applications received since the last meeting.**

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Location- 1 Chapel Hill, Eaton Lane, Eaton, Tarporley, CW6 9AG

Proposal – Side and rear first floor extension with rear balcony

6. **To consider highways matters**
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Including any updates on outstanding issues with Highways eg.
7. **To Receive Updates from Working Groups and agree decisions**
Communication
Newsletter, February edition circulated.

Development/Planning/Environment

Picnic Area update

Fruit trees have been ordered and delivered to clerk, date of planting to be determined.

Youth/Social/Community

a- Play Zone Project –

Annual inspection has taken place and report received, Creative Play have supplied quotes for repairs to small defects and highlighted areas that need monitoring, but overall report is good.
Repairs to be undertaken by volunteers and local carpenter.

Footpath between The Jessie and Edgewell Lane

During the meeting with the school, options for safe drop-off and pick-up were discussed, several routes were highlighted as potential.

In 2015 the Parish Council and Jessie Committee looked at whether a path could be created in front of Royal Farm Mews. If this could be created, parents could park at The Jessie and walk their children to the school along Edgewell Lane.

This and other options to be discussed and whether the PC wants to take this further.

Eaton Primary School

Parking and traffic management around the school grounds during drop-off and pick-up can at times pose risk to other motorists, pedestrians and children. Vehicles are parked on the triangle of grass; this is now very churned up. Questions have been raised whether temporary or permanent barriers can be placed here to prevent this activity.

Meeting to discuss parking and traffic management arrangements held to review the response.

E-mail sent to Highways regarding ownership of parking spaces and small piece of land to left of school entrance.

Jessie Hughes Centenary

The celebrations for the centenary kicked off with the New Years Party and will continue through 2026 with a weekend of activities in May and a family fun weekend in September.

To mark the Centenary three new stained-glass windows will be created for the Jessie Hughes Village Hall.

Action - To Consider whether the Parish Council like to contribute towards this with a donation.

Village Green

Update from contractor site visit, awaiting quotes from several contractors

Village entrance signs

Clerk liaising with sign designer and Sign of the Times (SOTT) to get full quote

Cllr. Leslie has liaised with United Utilities regarding funding options for this project and a project of road marking within the village. UU have pledged £5,000 for the entry signs and speed sign replacement where necessary once all works completed on their project.

This has been a very big achievement; a lot of work has been done by Cllr. Leslie to ensure this funding and community works have been undertaken.

Clerk to chase.

Community Survey

Priorities of the Parish residents include road safety and the state of the roads including potholes, ensuring the rural character of the parish is maintained

Wildlife Project

Project to encourage wildlife in the parish, all residents can do small amounts in their gardens

Projects being undertaken at the picnic area, church, village green, Jessie Huges village Hall and also the school. 500 plug plants were planted in the picnic area in October by a small group of volunteers.

Fruit Trees to be planted

Footpath survey

Neighbouring Parish Councils are undertaking surveys of footpaths to ensure the accessibility for all. This requires removing some styles and replacing with kissing gates. The aim of the project is to make Parishes accessible and connect neighbouring parishes through footpaths.

Many of the footpaths within Rushton Parish are already Bridle paths and therefore accessible, but some styles still exist.

Cllr. Chrisp has walked one part of the Parish with Eaton Ramblers on 8th October and found several locations inaccessible, his report has been sent to CWaC Footpath Officer.

The footpath Officer then undertook some walks by herself, letters from CWaC have been received by landowners requesting works to be undertaken within tight timescales, the landowners feel this was a heavy-handed approach.

All footpath actions will first be channeled through the Parish Council to landowners to ensure the good working relationship between landowners and PC remains.

8. To note correspondence received since the last meeting (summary attached)

Reporter	Date	Description	Action
Highways	20/11/24	Eaton Village utility plans	Circulated
UU	20/11/24 onwards	Drainage issues at village green, and road markings needed in village Liaison for funding for projects	On going liaison
Eaton Primary School	13/01/26	Parking and traffic management meeting	Dates circulated
MOP	01/02/26	Serial number of AED needed to add to circuit website, AED already registered on site	Permission given to access serial no.
Cotebrook and Utkinton Cllr.	05/02/26	First designs for signs, some alterations required.	Sent to Chair,
Highways	05/02/26	Streetlight on Royal Lane now repaired	Replied
Clerk	10/02/26	Date for tree planting and details of gardening group speaker	

9. Approve Accounts and Payments:

Accounts for payment (below)

Cheque No.	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	NET (£)	VAT (£)	TOTAL (£)

10. External meetings (in person or virtual)

Eaton Village Police Surgeries 2026

"Please note times and dates for next police drop-in sessions. These are important opportunities to build relationships with our community police officers and share any issues. Note that while members of Cheshire Constabulary always intend to be present, they will understandably prioritise urgent call outs. Thank you for your understanding"

2026 Dates at the Jessie Hughes Village Hall

17 th February 10am	11 August 6pm
12 th March 11am	7 Sept 11am
17 th April 7pm	13 th October 5pm
12 th May 10am	25 th November 5pm
9 th June 5pm	9 th December 2pm
14 th July 11am	

11. Date of next meeting to be held on Tuesday, 17th March 2026 at 7.30pm at the Jessie Hughes Village Hall.

L. Worrall – Clerk
09/02/2026