It is with the deepest sadness that we learned of the passing of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Her Majesty was a much loved and hugely respected figure, ruling for longer than any other British Monarch, she has been ever present for so many of us throughout our life.

Renowned throughout the world for her leadership and dedication to the people of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth, she will be sadly missed, and we mourn her loss.

On behalf of Rushton Parish Council, I express our heartfelt condolences to the Royal Family at this extremely sad time. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.