



**ROCKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
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Minutes of the Meeting of Rockbourne Parish Council held on Monday 13th November 2017 at 7.00pm in Rockbourne Recreation Ground Pavilion.

**Present**

Cllr I Watt (Vice-Chairman)  
Cllr K Kirkcaldy (from Item 6)  
Cllr T Ash  
Cllr J Carmichael

**In attendance**

Mr E Hale – Parish Clerk

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Cllr J Hall  
Cllr N Broadbridge  
HCC and NFDC Cllr E Heron

**2. Declarations of Interest**

None

**3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th October 2017, with amendments previously requested by Cllr Ash, were agreed as a true record and signed by the Cllr Watt.

**4. Report by HCC and NFDC Cllr E Heron**

No report this month

**5. Approval of Payments for the Current Month**

The Clerk asked for approval of the following payments:  
£120 to HCC as the application fee for traffic calming measures.  
£260 to E Hale for Clerk duties from July to October inclusive.  
These were approved by the Parish Council.

The Clerk said there was likely to be a payment of the remaining 50% for the War Memorial cleaning soon. Councillors did not think the lettering had been finished yet and asked if the vase at the back of the Memorial is part of the structure.

**6. Planning Application 17/11479 for West Hayes Oil Tank**

This application is to demolish and remove the existing boiler house and oil tank, and install a new propane gas tank on the boundary with Townend Gate. Councillors had no concerns about this and agreed on Option 3 to recommend approval as it would improve the front of the house. There had not been an objection from Townend Gate.

The Clerk had been notified that the application for shepherds' huts at The Rose and Thistle, which had been supported by the Parish Council in June, had been withdrawn

## **7. Traffic Calming**

The Clerk had previously circulated an email from the HCC Engineer dealing with the Rockbourne applications saying she has other applications to process first.

Cllr Carmichael had been speaking to other residents about traffic issues outside the school. A larger bus is being used which is unable to drive up to the school so waits in the road near the access road. This has made the parking problems worse. There had been discussions with the Village Hall about the bus parking in its car park, but no agreement had been reached.

## **8. Lengthsman Scheme**

The Lengthsman had carried out a final cut of the village footpaths in September which should last through the winter. Rockbourne had used the four allocated days during the year to keep the footpaths tidy and hoped to use the Lengthsman scheme for this again next year.

Councillors were disappointed that the ditch is still blocked to the south of Hendley House and are concerned this may cause flooding through the village during the winter. There had been concerns about damage to the road edge while clearing the blockage, but Councillors hoped a solution could be found as soon as possible.

## **9. Village Website**

Cllr Carmichael has added some details about planning applications to the website. There have been some changes to the Dropbox system used for uploading meeting minutes onto the website and the previous minutes had disappeared, but other details are not affected. Cllr Carmichael will check if this can be resolved by additional payments.

## **10. Maintenance of The Bourne**

Councillors discussed the wearing away of the banks outside Shearings caused by restrictions under the bridges. It was agreed the banks need to be supported to prevent further damage.

## **11. Other Meetings Attended**

No other meetings attended

## **12. Correspondence and Any Other Business**

NFDC are offering to hire out speed monitoring devices for £200 per week plus set-up charges and batteries. These can be speed monitors or speed indicators. This may be an option for the Parish Council as Speedwatch seems unlikely to operate again due to police cutbacks.

The Clerk has found a Memorandum of Understanding between the Parish Council and the Recreation Ground committee from 2007. This could be used as the basis of an agreement with the Cricket Club. They have been asked for their proposals for the trustee meeting in January.

## **13. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be at 7.00pm on Monday 11th December at the Recreation Ground pavilion. The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Edward Hale. 17.11.17