



ROCKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

All Rockbourne residents are invited to attend Parish Council meetings and to raise issues with Councillors at the start of meetings.

MINUTES of the meeting to be held (virtually via Zoom)

on Tuesday 1st December @ 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr Kirkcaldy (Chair), Cllr Ash (Vice Chair), Cllr Whitworth, Cllr Carmichael, Cllr Bradwell

1. To receive apologies for absence: Cllr Broadbridge.
2. To receive declarations of interest. None.
3. To review minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 10th November:
 - The section of the riverbank on the roadside, opposite West Hays, has collapsed. Hampshire Highways informed - Enquiry Reference: 21527957.
 - The section of the riverbank on the roadside, opposite Old Timbers, has collapsed. Hampshire Highways informed - Enquiry Reference: 21527959.
4. To review council finance – see Appendix 1. The Councillors were pleased to see a healthy bank balance but keen to stress how much of the budget was committed to ongoing projects, including the Traffic Calming Scheme, purchase of the marquee for the recreation ground/pavilion and the environmental survey of St. Andrew's churchyard.
5. To discuss planning applications.
 - a. Planning Applications Received:
 - APPLICATION NO: 20/11221
TYPE: Listed Building Alteration
SITE: MALTHOUSE FARM, ROCKBOURNE SP6 3NA
DESCRIPTION: Installation of an 18 panel solar PV system to the west facing roof pitch of barn (Application for Listed Building Consent)
APPLICANT: MR ATKINSON
EARLIEST DECISION DATE: 11 December 2020

After some discussion the councillors agreed that such environmental projects are welcome in the village provided that they do not detract from the conservation area and rural character of Rockbourne. It was agreed, therefore, that this scheme should be recommended for PAR1 and recommend PERMISSION, for the reasons listed, but would accept the decision reached by the District Council's Officers under their delegated powers.

b. Planning Application Decisions:

c. Tree Apps:

- Application Number CONS/20/0647

1 YONGES COTTAGES, ROCKBOURNE, FORDINGBRIDGE, SP6 3NJ

Application Type Fell Trees

Registration Date 16/11/2020

Decision to be issued by 28/12/2020

Description Douglas Fir x 1 Fell - The Douglas Fir is 40 years old and has been found to be dying. The tree is in close proximity to a native sycamore and it is not intended to replace the Douglas Fir.

d. Other Planning Matters:

6. To discuss traffic management issues, roads and ditches.
Meeting to be arranged with CCllr Heron. **Action:** Clerk to arrange meeting.
7. To hear reports from other meetings.
None reported.
8. To discuss correspondence and any other business.
 - NFDC Waste Strategy – the councillors applauded the effects of NFDC to increase recycling in the district. However, there were safety concerns that in some Rockbourne properties, without pavements and on narrow parts of the road, wheelie bins would be totally impractical. There was also a lack signposting in the strategy to other local recycling initiatives that cover material not recycled by NFDC. The strategy did not address the number of visitors to the district and concerns were expressed by the councillors that a reduction of bins in public areas would increase incidences of litter. It was felt that the Waste Strategy should also give recognition and capacity for significant additional packaging created by on-line purchase activity.
Action: Cllr Kirkcaldy to speak to Head Mistress at Rockbourne School re: recycling shed.
 - Census 2021 – the councillors were aware that the census was imminent and if called upon would be willing to lend any assistance.
 - County Council Rural Broadband Scheme – councillors were keen to explore this scheme further and asked the Clerk to investigate.
Action: Clerk to report to Parish Councillors on potential options/benefits.
 - Valuation Office Agency – Club House & Sports Ground – Cllr Kirkcaldy reported that due to an error on the part of the VOA an invoice had been sent to the Parish Council for the rateable value of the Recreation Pavilion. This error was due to an incorrect address being listed for the pavilion and VOA not acknowledging the pavilion as being run by a charity. Cllr Kirkcaldy phoned the VOA to inform them of the correct details.
 - Annual Playground inspection – councillors asked the Clerk to organise inspection in readiness for spring.
Action: Clerk to organise inspection.
 - 12th edition of Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration – councillors agreed to purchase a copy. Cllr Kirkcaldy proposed. Cllr Broadbridge seconded.

Action: Clerk to purchase copy.

- Remembrance Sunday: the Parish Councillors discussed the Royal British Legion criteria for public parades and memorial events at the War Memorial in the village. The Councillors decided that Rockbourne Parish Council should not, in future, organise any Remembrance Sunday events. These events will be organised by private individuals instead, who are prepared to accept full liability.

9. To arrange the date for the next meeting: *Tuesday 5th January @ 7pm*, via Zoom.

Appendix 1 – review of Parish Council finance.

ROCKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL - Report to Councillors			
ACCOUNTS April 2020-March 2021			
<u>INCOME</u>			
Apr	1	Current Account (carried over)	23,059.79
	30	NFDC - Precept	6,166.50
Jun	23	Co-operative Bank - complaint credit	10.00
Sep	28	NFDC - Precept	6,166.50
	29	RCC - grass cutting contribution	646.34
Nov	13	RCC - grass cutting contribution	775.61
			36,824.74
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>			
Apr	6	Clerk wages - January	240.00
		Clerk wages - February	324.00
		Clerk wages - March	510.00
	21	J G Bonello	110.00
May	1	Came & Co - insurance	673.99
		HALC - affiliation fees	197.69
		Clerk wages - April	260.00
	6	M Castle - pavilion building regs	4,252.40
		St. Andrew's Church - grant to graveyard*	1,000.00
Jun	1	Clerk wages -May	260.00
	25	M Castle - fixing water leak	1,272.67
	26	High Speed Training	252.00
	29	Jamie Carmichael	407.56
Jul	1	Clerk wages - June	284.00
	8	M Castle - pavilion int/ext painting	4,566.96
Aug	1	Clerk wages - July	260.00
		D S Tree Services	1,080.00
		DD 1&1 Internet Ltd	11.99
	21	M Castle - playground equipment	3,182.36
Sep	1	Clerk wages - August	260.00
		DD 1 & 1 Internet Ltd	11.99
Oct	1	Clerk wages - September	260.00
	6	DD 1&1 Internet Ltd	11.99
	26	Transfer to deposit account	8,000.00
		Southern Fire Protection	433.80
Nov	2	Clerk wages - October	260.00
	2	Zoom subscription	143.88
	4	DD 1&1 Internet Ltd	11.99
			28,539.27
		<i>*c/f grant promised in 2019</i>	

			Income	36,824.74
			Expenditure	28,539.27
			Total	<u>8,285.47</u>
Apr	1	Deposit Account		12,128.87
Oct	5	Bank credit interest		12.36
	26	Transfer from current account		8,000.00
				<u>20,141.23</u>
Apr	1	Rec Ground Account		<u>45.59</u>
			Grand total	<u><u>28,472.29</u></u>