



ROCKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting of Rockbourne Parish Council held on Monday 11th September 2017 at 7.50pm in Rockbourne Recreation Ground Pavilion

Present

Cllr K Kirkcaldy (Chairman)

Cllr N Broadbridge

Cllr T Ash

Cllr J Carmichael

In attendance

Mr E Hale – Parish Clerk

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr I Watt

Cllr J Hall

HCC and NFDC Cllr E Heron

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th July 2017 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman

4. Report by HCC and NFDC Cllr E Heron

Cllr Heron was not able to attend this meeting

5. Results of External Audit for 2016-17

The Clerk had received the report from BDO LLP which had only raised one 'issue'. This was that the Internal Auditor had put 'not covered' in answer to the item asking if salaries to employees were paid in accordance with PAYE and NI requirements. The remedial action is for the Clerk to provide details of tax paid on his salary for the next audit.

6. Approval of Payments for the Current Month

Councillors agreed to transfer £1,000 to the Recreation Ground to pay for removal of the concrete base, replacement of the water pipe, and the new gate, as discussed at the Trustee Meeting. A payment of £120 to BDO LLP for carrying out the external audit was also approved.

7. Planning Applications

Application 17/10659 for an all-weather riding arena at Brook Cottage has been approved.

An application to extend Hillcrest Cottage without full permission has been ruled as lawful.

Orchard Cottage has applied to fell a large conifer because of shading to Yew Tree Cottage.

8. Traffic Calming

The Clerk has submitted two applications for Community Funded Traffic Calming to find out the costs involved. The schemes recommended by Ms Ware of HCC were an advisory limit of 20mph outside the school, and new gateways at each end of the village. Cllr Ash suggested the works should include removal of the small Rockbourne sign near Hendley House.

9. Lengthsman Scheme

The Lengthsman is due to work in Rockbourne for a day this month. Cllr Ash asked if the Lengthsman could be asked to tidy up around the War Memorial in early November.

10. Village Website

A resident had contacted the Clerk to ask for recent minutes to be added to the website.

11. Maintenance of The Bourne

No issues to discuss this month

12. Other Meetings Attended

No other meetings attended

13. Correspondence and Any Other Business

The Pensions Regulator have written about pension auto-enrolment. The Clerk has investigated and been told that the Parish Council is exempt.

New Forest Disability have applied for a grant. Clerk to ask if they have contacts in Rockbourne.

HCC are offering opportunities for 'traffic management schemes'. The Clerk to find out the difference from the 'community funded' schemes

The Damerham and Western Downland Royal British Legion has published events for early November. Cllr Carmichael will upload the details onto the website.

HCC are offering a Fordingbridge Taxishare scheme covering local villages. The Clerk will display the details on the Parish Council notice board.

HALC 70th Birthday Event on 10th October in Winchester. The deadline for applying has passed.

HCC has issued a poster on watercourse responsibilities. To be displayed on the notice board.

14. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Monday 9th October at the Recreation Ground pavilion. The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Edward Hale. 13.09.17