



## **ROCKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Meeting of Rockbourne Parish Council held on Monday 10th April 2017 at 7.45pm in Rockbourne Village Hall Committee Room

### **Present**

Cllr J Hall – Acting Chairman  
Cllr N Broadbridge  
Cllr T Ash  
Cllr J Carmichael

### **In attendance**

Mr R Carrington – For items 5 and 6A only  
Mr E Hale – Parish Clerk

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Cllr K Kirkcaldy  
Cllr I Watt  
HCC and NFDC Cllr E Heron

### **2. Declarations of Interest**

None

### **3. Acceptance of Previous Minutes**

Cllr Ash asked for the wording of third paragraph of Item 12 from the previous minutes to be amended to include: 'when the build is complete' and 'bookings available outside Cricket Club bookings'. Apart from this change the previous minutes were accepted as a true record and signed as such by the Chairman

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

No report this month

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

The Clerk had circulated the end-of-year accounts which showed the Parish Council had income of £12,336.77 and expenditure of £10,994.14 in 2016-17. This meant an increase in the total funds held in the two bank accounts from £16,025.05 to £17,367.68. It was agreed the £12,000 previously allocated to traffic works should be shown as 'Restricted Funds'

Councillors reviewed the Annual Governance statements and agreed that Rockbourne complies with these requirements. The figures entered on the Accounting Statements were agreed and the two pages in the Annual Return were signed by the Chairman

Councillors approved £166 payment to Hampshire Association of Local Councils for affiliation fees

## **6. Planning and Tree Applications**

### **A. Application 17/10336 for Roof Alterations at Charities**

The applicant, Mr R Carrington, had joined the meeting and explained about the proposal to raise the roof in part of a first floor attic room so this could be used as a bedroom. The alterations would use bricks and tiles to match the current building and the raised roof would not be visible from the front. Councillors asked about the window alterations. There would be a new dormer window, but an existing dormer would be removed. NFDC had confirmed there were no concerns about the increased floor area. Councillors voted to recommend Permission under Option 3, as this would improve the utility of the house without any impact on other properties

Councillors thanked Mr Carrington for attending and he left the meeting

### **B. Application 1710324 for Alterations at Nicada**

The application is to enclose an open loggia at the front of the house, and extend the dormer at the rear, with other window alterations. Councillors had no concerns about this work and voted to recommend Permission under Option 3 as the work would improve the appearance and not impact on any neighbours

## **7. Lengthsman Scheme**

The Clerk had not had a reply from Cllr Heron about tree works on the footpath near the Church. The Lengthsman has been booked to cut footpaths on Monday 24th April

## **8. Speedwatch and Speed Reduction Measures**

The Clerk confirmed that repainting the road edge lines from Hendley House to 50m beyond the Whipps Hill junction has been approved by NFDC to be completed by 25th May

Mr M Banks had emailed the Parish Council to give an update on the ditch outside Hendley House and to ask for information on speed reduction measures. Councillors were surprised Mr Banks had been visited by an HCC Senior Engineer when Cllr Heron had not been able to arrange for an Engineer to make recommendations for the Parish Council. HCC had arranged ditch works when they have previously said owners are responsible for ditches outside their own properties. Cllr Carmichael offered to contact HCC Engineers direct to ask for someone to confirm what options the Parish Council has for traffic calming and to see if anyone from HCC would attend the AGM

## **9. Village Website**

The local British Legion branch has asked if their details can be included on the Rockbourne website. It was agreed the best option would be a link to their website

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

Cllr Hall has a DVD about stream bank restoration which she will arrange to show anyone interested after Easter. There are trout in the stream

## **11. Other Meetings Attended**

No other meetings attended

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

The Rose and Thistle have applied to prune and fell some trees. There were concerns about felling a yew tree, but overall Councillors did not want to object to proposals which could bring more business to the village

Tenantry Farm has applied for a licence to sell alcohol for a Minifest from 7th to 9th July

The Cranborne Chase Landscape Trust is advertising for Trustees to help run this new charity

Cllr Hall asked if anyone knew who had seeded the area around the bus shelter

Councillors discussed the current arrangements for funding the Recreation Ground pavilion works. It was agreed to support the proposal from the Trustee meeting to reduce the loan from £4,000 to £3,200 so the additional £800 was available for the 63amp supply. It was noted that the current Trust funds were nearly all spent and there was not enough remaining to repay the loan. It had been expected some funds raised by the Auction of Promises would be transferred to the project. The Clerk was asked to check on this with the Cricket Club

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

The next meeting is the Annual Meeting at 7.30pm on Thursday 11th May at the Village Hall.  
The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Edward Hale. 12.04.17