

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF **ROOKLEY PARISH COUNCIL** HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2016 AT 19.30

PRESENT Cllr V Faithfull – Chairman
Cllr P. Masters, I. RigaudBarrett, S. Vail, C. Willis, E. A. Wills
28 members of the public

From the floor

There was opposition to changing the status of part of the Country Park from holiday accommodation to full-time residential. The new exit on to Main Road was felt to increase the potential for accidents – it had been approved originally just for emergency access. There was opposition to the principle of putting additional residential development on agricultural land in Rookley. The height of housing compared to the barn was raised. There were concerns at the additional traffic making conflicting movements at the junction with Main Rd. There will be an increase in the number of children having to cross Main Rd.

64/16-17 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
M. R. Taplin (Clerk)

65/16-17 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS
None..

66/16-17 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

To resolve comments on applications received:

P01306/16 Rookley Country Park To remove condition 10, allowing 16 holiday cottages to be used as permanent residences

resolved to strongly recommend refusal. The material considerations are the statement on the application form that this application is intended to replace the existing permission for the whole Country Park holiday camp, which if approved could mean that all chalets could become full-time residential. Condition 10 should not be lifted as this is a back-door method of adding residential development without any evidence of need. Condition 10, if it is to be lifted, should only remove the 16 brick built cottages from existing conditions. The proposal to open up the existing 'emergency access' on to Main Road will create a traffic hazard due to its proximity to the bend and the speed of traffic

P1392/16 Land north of Main Rd Demolition of industrial building and development of 21 residences with associated highway works/landscaping

resolved not to recommend refusal, but express disappointment at the loss of agricultural land for residential development. To raise concern that the bridle path adjacent to the development needs to be formally protected, that the existing parking area for the post office needs to be maintained, the footpath (north) leading to the post office from the village should be included in the development frontage.

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There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 20.50

From the floor Nil

Signed ----- Date -----

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 7 December 2016, 19.30 Village Hall,
Highwood Lane.**