

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF **ROOKLEY PARISH COUNCIL** HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL
ON WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH 2017 AT 19.30

PRESENT Cllr E A Wiils – Chairman
Cllr I RigaudBarrett, S. Vail, C. Willis
Mr M. R. Taplin, Clerk,
PCSOs J. Keefe and T. Campany, 1 member of the public

From the floor

None

99/16-17 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllr V. Faithfull, Cllr P. Masters

100/16-17 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS
Cllr E. A. Wiils declared a personal interest in planning application P00161/17 and took no part in the discussion on this item.

101/16-17 TO CONFIRM AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON
1 FEBRUARY 2017
The minutes of the meeting held on 1 February were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

102/16-17 MATTERS ARISING NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION
The Clerk had written to A. E. Brown Farms Ltd, and had been contacted by the District Steward, who said Island Roads were keen to see a solution to the run-off problem. The farm company had telephoned the Clerk to acknowledge the problem and say they were working on a solution, which they hoped to get in place in April. The Clerk said he had received notification from Island Rd that Mrs Hughes complaint regarding run-off in Niton Rd had been resolved. Cllr Willis would check if the promised drain had been installed.
Cllr Wiils had put the laminated notices on the litter bins, but one had disappeared already.
Clerk to obtain an alternative quote for tree work on the Green.
Cllr Willis said the funding for defibrillators had expired before a bid could be made. The ambulance service was offering a package, but this was too expensive for the Parish Council to fund alone. The Clerk had received no reply from the Co-op.

Cllr Willis in the Chair
103/16-17 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING
To resolve comments on applications received:
P00161/17 Pidford Manor Demolition of garage/stores and construction of
Main Rd replacement garage block
Resolved to recommend refusal. The material considerations are: the size of the proposed structure. Although the height is marginally less than that of the similar structure refused in February 2016, the footprint is larger, with the back wall increased to 19.3m and the side wall to 17.3m. The development would be of overbearing and unsympathetic size and character in proximity to a listed building (and there is no corresponding application for Listed Building Consent). The proximity to the border of the site means that the development would be intrusive for the neighbouring property.
P00163/17 Quiet Hills Conversion of garage to accommodation
Harts Lane
Resolved no objection but to seek a condition that the occupant of the accommodation should be a family member of the occupants of the main property.

104/16-17 Cllr Wills resumed the Chair
TO REVIEW THE COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL RISK ASSESSMENT
The existing Risk Assessment had been circulated and was discussed. It was felt to be adequate but should be expanded to include due diligence on any company handling the Council's finances, such as payroll, with regular review of supplier performance.

105/16-17 CORRESPONDENCE
The Clerk read correspondence received.

106/16-17 CLERK'S REPORT
Administration
None.
Authorisation of payments
It was **resolved** to make the following payments

		£	
952	IWALC	104.42	Subscription
953	Island Roads	165.60	Bin emptying
954	M. R. Taplin	16.67	Clerk's Expenses 2/17
Transfer	M R Taplin	154.02	Clerk's salary November
Transfer	HMRC	102.80	PAYE payment

107/16-17 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.
PCSO J. Keefe said he had prevailed on the Isle of Wight Council Environment Officer to act in a dog fouling case. It was agreed to seek a cost for buying in to this service in future. It was agreed to increase the dog bin emptying to twice weekly during the summer. There had been incidents of shoplifting at the Co-op, and anti-social behaviour, with the perpetrators spoken to.
Cllr Wills said there had been further flooding in Highwood Lane and Island Roads had closed it for a day to carry out more work. They were planning reconstruction and resurfacing in four weeks time.
Cllr Willis said there were still problems in Niton Rd.
It was noted that the Local Area Co-ordinator for My Life and Full Life covering Rookley was Rich Lloyd, and it was agreed to invite him to attend a meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 20.26

From the floor Nil. The Clerk reminded everyone that nominations to stand as a Parish Councillor in the 4 May election needed to be submitted to IW Council by 16.00 on 4 April.

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

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 5 April 2017, 19.30 Village Hall, Highwood Lane.