



ROCKBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

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12th March 2020

To all Members of Rockbeare Parish Council

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Rockbeare Parish Council to be held at **7.30 pm**, on **Wednesday 18th March**, at **Rockbeare Village Hall** for the purposes of transacting the following business:

Carolyn May

Clerk to Rockbeare Parish Council

AGENDA

To: Cllrs. Jeremy Wollen (Chairman), Colin Please (Vice Chairman), Jonathan Allen, Mark Readman, Ron Forrest, Simon Brodie, Susan Wollen and Phil Franklin

All councillors are politely reminded of their obligation to declare interests under the Code of Conduct

- 1.0 APOLOGIES:** To receive apologies for absence.
- 2.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** To receive declarations of interest.
- 3.0 TO RECEIVE QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Members please remember that you must declare any personal or prejudicial interests at the start of the meeting. Please ensure that you state the reason for your interest as this must be included in the minutes. If your interest is a 'Declarable Pecuniary interest', then you must leave the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

- 4.0 MINUTES:** Minutes of the last meeting of Rockbeare Parish Council held on **Wednesday 19th February 2020**, to be signed as a correct record of that meeting (Appendix A)
- 5.0 REPORTS**
 - 5.1 Chairman's Report
 - 5.2 County/District Councillor Report
 - 5.3 Any other reports
- 6.0 TRIP – Update – Sharon Thorne**

7.0 PLANNING

7.1 To consider Planning Applications (Appendix B)

7.2 To consider and make comment on any planning applications received since the date of this Agenda.

7.3 To receive details of determinations since the date of this Agenda.

8.0 SOUTHWOOD CROSS SIGNPOST – Cllr. Brodie

9.0 INTERNAL AUDIT

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Play Group Support Request

10.2 Rockbeare Primary School Garden

11.0 BUSINESS & FINANCE

11.1 To approve payment of invoices as follows:

Cheque	Payee	Sum
400797	RVH	15.00
400798	HMRC	220.00
400799	PARISH CLERK SALARY	534.00
400780	PARISH CLERK EXPENSES	89.50
Total		858.50

12.0 UPDATES

12.1 Speed Signs

12.2 Defibrillator

12.3 Marsh Green Signs

13.0 Flooding Update – Mr. Ivan Randall

Date of next meeting: 15th April at Marsh Green Village Hall Commencing at 7.30 pm.



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MINUTES OF ROCKBEARE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD ON

WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2020

AT

MARSH GREEN VILLAGE HALL

The Parish Clerk advised the Meeting that the proceedings would be recorded.

PRESENT: Cllr Jeremy Wollen (Chairman) and Cllrs: Colin Please, Jonathan Allen, Ron Forrest, Mark Readman, Susan Wollen, Phil Franklin and Simon Brodie

Also, in attendance –two members of the public and Cllrs Ray Bloxham and Sara Randall-Johnson (CC)

Parish Clerk: Carolyn Y. May

APOLOGIES: None

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr Please declared an interest in matter relating to Marsh Green Village Hall - Correspondence

Public Participation Session:

Mr John Tredant, owner of Carradale Farm, raised the issue of the proposed 'Grange Development' He stated that he had concerns about the access to and from his property (at Rewe Lane), should the development go ahead.

The Chairman advised Mr Tredant that the Parish Council, as a body, was opposed to the proposal but that it was currently at a very early stage. There were no plans to discuss the matter at the extant meeting.

Cllr Ray Bloxham (Cornwall Council) stated that the proposal is not compliant with the DPD.

Mr Ivan Randall raised the matter of the planned road layout from the proposed development. Although it is not shown on the available plan, Mr Randall assumes that there would have to be a roundabout at the point of entry/ exit from Gribble Lane and the old A30. If the Planners permit ingress and egress from the development, by way of the access created on Gribble Lane, this will cause problems in the village.

At that juncture, Cllr Wollen stated that the existing layout would be changed. Mr Randall responded by stating that if there was to be a roundabout, it should form part of a one-way system, to avoid problems in the village. Cllr Wollen advised that the proposal is at an early stage and not yet being consulted upon.

AGENDA

486.0 MINUTES

486.1 The Minutes of the last meeting of Rockbeare Parish Council, held on Wednesday 15th January 2020, at Rockbeare Village Hall, were considered. Cllr. Allen raised a query relating to any decision made in respect of the proposed mapping of grey water areas in the village. It was **agreed** that no decision had been made about the proposal. However, it was ascertained that the required information should be held by Devon County Council (Highways Dept). The Chairman advised the Meeting that he would discuss the matter with Helen Selby.

486.2 It was **proposed** by Cllr Susan Wollen, **seconded** by Cllr Franklin and **RESOLVED** that the minutes for the meeting held on 15th January 2020 would be approved and signed as a correct record of that meeting. Seven in favour and one abstention. **Carried.**

487.0 REPORTS

Chairman's Report

487.1 The Chairman reported that, on Tuesday 28th January 2020, he had attended at the Independent Examination of the Cranbrook Local Plan. This meeting had been set up to address draft matters, issues and questions relating to the four Expansion Areas for Cranbrook. Over 230 questions were raised.

487.2 Many interested parties attended the meeting, including developers. The Chairman was, fortunately, in a position to voice the concerns of Rockbeare Parish in relation to the proposals under consideration (particularly those appertaining to the Grange and Cobden areas).

487.3 The Inspector in charge of the Examination, listened to the many opinions offered and took many notes in relation to, inter alia, perceived conflicts with the Rockbeare Neighbourhood Plan.

487.4 On Wednesday 29th January 2020, the Chairman attended the Airport Consultative Committee meeting. Attendees were given a tour of the airport terminal, security measures and of the Gate 5 Terminal, which is being utilised for the new Ryanair routes. Attendees were advised that Ryanair requires an aircraft turnaround to be completed in 25 minutes, therefore, the new facility has been designed to facilitate the speedy boarding of passengers.

487.5 It was reported, at the meeting proper, that the annual passenger figure is likely to be less than the 1 million plus, reported for the previous year. The fall will be slight but is attributed to the recent Flybe re-organisation.

487.6 Long Lane improvements are scheduled to commence in early course, with plans to divert traffic behind the Flybe Academy during the period that major alterations are being carried out. The Chairman has also been advised that the FAB project is still considered to be viable, with work on the same possibly commencing in 2021.

County Councillor Report (Cllr Bloxham)

487.7 Cllr Bloxham advised the Meeting of the new requirement, that websites should be accessible by everybody. This must be addressed by Parish Councils by September 2020.

487.8 Helen Selby is attempting to set up meetings in order to discuss each Parish's priorities for the next year. On March 3rd and 4th at the DCC Highways Sowton Offices. Cllr Wollen will book an appointment for the 3rd March 2020.

487.9 The Cranbrook Plan hearing has been stopped for the present. There is a document from the Inspector, which had been published on the EDDC Website, relating to the decision. There have been disagreements over the viability because the infrastructure in the expansion areas has to be addressed by the developers. To date no agreement has been reached between the developers and EDDC Planners in relation to the same. The Inspector has advised that there are issues to be resolved, prior to the matter continuing. There are issues of viability to be addressed, if these cannot be resolved then development cannot be undertaken. It must be remembered that the Cranbrook Development is zero rated for CIL, everything is dealt with under S106 therefore no additional monies will be available for infrastructure. All infrastructure has to be provided for locally, under the development. A matter of concern relates to the situation that could arise if the Cranbrook Development does not go forward. That is, under the local plan, Cranbrook is scheduled to provide 8,000 houses by 2031, EDDC has to deliver 17400 homes in the same period of time. If things do not work out, there would be no '5-year land supply' and that could mean 'open season' for developers.

487.10 At that juncture, the Parish Clerk requested permission to address the Meeting. Once permission had been granted, the Clerk stated that she would like to publicly thank Cllr. Bloxham for the support provided to the Parish Council by him, over the past month. The Clerk stated that it had been sterling work, outstandingly carried out.

Cllr Sara Randall-Johnson

487.11 Cllr Randall Johnson advised the Members that the Devon and Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service approved the Council Tax rise for the coming year by 1.99% (maximum possible), that amounts to a Band D increase of £1.72 per household for the whole year. The increase will be re-invested in the 'on-call' firefighters at Honiton, Ottery and other Stations, to provide payment and contracts.

487.12 The Chairman asked about the plans for closure of other fire stations in the area. Cllr Randall-Johnson stated that stations earmarked for closure were 'low-usage' facilities. There are eight such facilities in total but only two are closing: Topsham and Budleigh Salterton. Staff from these stations will be relocated to Exmouth and Clyst St George.

488.0 PLANNING

Cllr Allen raised a query relating to the Developments in the SE Corner. He queried if there were two separate developments scheduled. Cllr Bloxham explained that these two proposals were actually the same development. The Development Plan Document, published by EDDC, is effectively a masterplan for the area. This does not apply to any developer at all. Within that Plan there is an outline Planning Application, which has been brought forward by the landowner, citing the DPD to bring that forward. However, the application does not comply with the DPD.

PA20/0347/LBC – No comment.

489.0 WESTCOTT GREEN

489.1 **Cllr. Forrest** reported that Westcott Green continues to sustain substantial damage from vehicles driving across the same. Since November 2019, there have been five, 45-ton trucks that have driven over the green, leaving trenches (at various depths). On 16th February, a large truck was witnessed being driven at a fast rate, and in a reckless manner, towards the green. When the driver reached the green, he skidded the vehicle round and proceeded to drive over the top of the green, causing considerable damage. **These actions did not amount to rational behaviour.**

489.2 There are five children, under the age of 12 years, who reside in the neighbouring two houses. These children often play on the green and are, therefore in potential danger.

489.3 The Chairman of Rockbeare Parish Council attended at the location in order to witness the damage.

And Cllr Forrest has asked the Chairman and both County Councillors to treat this matter seriously. He has written to Cllr Bloxham, requesting that a 7.5-ton weight limit should be imposed on the road to Westcott. There is no reason for 45-foot trucks to come into the hamlet.

- 489.4 Cllr Forrest then formally requested that the matter is revisited by both County Councillors and the Chairman and asked that the situation is remedied.
- 489.5 Cllr Brodie agreed that the problem is serious and that he had experienced difficulties when moving his ponies. The road is used like a racetrack.
- 489.6 Cllr Forrest quoted from the case of 1965 1 (All England Law Reports 78 – TDPP v Jones) ‘highways must keep highway users on the highway and off of land which is not tarmacked highway’. This law is absolute and was heard in the House of Lords.
- 489.7 Cllr Bloxham referred to a previous discussion about protecting the green, recommendations from which have not been followed up. However, this current issue relates more to vehicle speed.
- 489.8 The Chairman stated that the recommended boundary markers would not have prevented the damage that was witnessed on the 16th February. There is a need to consider the matter further. Members were invited to consider the matter and bring their proposals to the Parish Council meetings.

490.0 **CORRESPONDENCE**

- 490.1 Letter from Play Group (Mrs Rebecca Peek) – request to reinstate the previous agreement whereby the Parish Council met 50% of the costs of the hall hire. The group has recently been resurrected and is very well attended. Also, would it be possible for the Parish Council to provide a grant for equipment? It was **agreed** that the Clerk would design an appropriate proforma, which can be forwarded to those who wish to ask for assistance, so that the precise requirements can be considered.
- 490.2 Letter from Helen Selby, relating to the lighting in the village. The matter has now been resolved.
- 490.3 Marsh Green Village Hall – a request for a grant to undertake electrical and building work at the Marsh Green Village Hall. Quotations have been received (£2,085).
- 490.4 It was **proposed** by Cllr. Readman, **seconded** by Cllr Franklin and **RESOLVED** that the sum of £2, 085 would be granted to the Marsh Green Village Hall Committee, in order to effect repairs. Unanimous. **Carried.**

491.0 **BUSINESS & FINANCE**

- 491.1 It was **proposed** by Cllr. Allen **seconded** by Cllr Forest and **RESOLVED** that the schedule of invoices for payment would be approved. Unanimous. **Carried.**

492.0 **UPDATES**

- 492.1 **Marsh Green Flooding** – Tree came down and was moved onto the bank by Cornwall Council Highways Department. However, this is unsightly, and the Clerk should contact the householder (Danson House) and request that the detritus be removed. It was also **agreed** that at the appropriate time (Spring), the ditches should be dug out at the expense of the Parish Council.
- 492.2 **Speed Signs** – Chairman met with Helen Selby and discussed the speed signs. Two suitable sites, one at either end of Rockbeare, have been identified as being suitable for the signs (one close to the Vicarage and one on the Triangle opposite the village hall). Awaiting written proposals relating to the same, from Helen. Once received, these will be disseminated to Members for consideration.
- 492.3 **Defibrillator** - Chairman visited Mr & Mrs Ruscoe, who live in the old church. They have agreed to pay for the electricity for the defibrillator, if the Parish Clerk can ascertain how much that would be annually. The Parish Council would then reimburse the cost. This would negate the need to attach the power source to an

electricity pole. It was **agreed** that the Clerk would find out the average charges. A double waterproof electrical socket will then be placed in the bus shelter inside an appropriate, lockable, box. It was also requested that the Parish Council should pay for an appropriate slatted seat for the bus shelter. It was **agreed** that the Chairman would obtain a cost for the same.

492.4 **School Garden** – Plans were disseminated to Members. Cllr Wollen stated that the Sensory Garden was not now being created. However, the Parish Council requires an amended quotation for the reduced amount of work. Therefore, this should be provided prior to further discussion.

492.5 **TRIP Voucher Project** – The Clerk reported that the proposed voucher scheme had been well received by TRIP and it was felt by the organisation that it was a project that could be rolled out across the area. It has been agreed that Sharon Thorne from TRIP would attend the March Parish Council Meeting in order to provide an update of the work being planned/ carried out in the Parish.

492.6 **Cllr Please** reported that fence panels have been placed in the Millennium Field, up against a resident's fence. – **Noted**. Also, Marsh Green Village signs are required, the person asked to arrange these has left the village.

493.0 **FLOODING UPDATE – Mr Ivan RANDALL**

493.1 Mr Randall alluded to para 485.1 asking if there was any update on the matter. The Chairman advised that this would be raised with Helen Selby at their next meeting.

493.2 Also, Para 485.2 – Mr Randall advised the Meeting that several of the drains from Rockbeare Village Hall to Rag Lane are chocked and require sucking out and cleaning, to ensure they are working properly.

493.3 Mr Randall alluded to the benefit of the Met Office computer to the area.

493.4 Para 485.5 – we require the plans for grey water and flood water. The Chairman will raise this with Helen Selby.

493.5 There are car tyre marks on the grass verge outside the old people's bungalows in Rockbeare.

493.6 The footpath to the Church in Rockbeare is not being used as such and people are parking on the same. This could represent a danger to those walking to the Church. The Chairman stated that, hopefully, the parking at the site would stop once the building work is completed. Burrington Estates are responsible for the parking situation.

The Meeting Closed at 20:35 hrs

Next Meeting – Wednesday 18th March 2020 - at Rockbeare Village Hall.

Reference	20/0347/LBC
Alternative Reference	PP-08511399
Application Validated	Mon 17 Feb 2020
Address	Lower Marsh Farm Marsh Green Exeter EX5 2EX
Proposal	Conversion of existing outbuilding to form one holiday cottage
Status	Awaiting decision
Appeal Status	Unknown

Reference	20/0346/FUL
Alternative Reference	PP-08511399
Application Validated	Fri 28 Feb 2020
Address	Lower Marsh Farm Marsh Green Exeter EX5 2EX
Proposal	Conversion of existing outbuildings to form one holiday cottage
Status	Awaiting decision
Appeal Status	Unknown

Reference	19/2669/FUL
Alternative Reference	PP-08327651
Application Validated	Tue 07 Jan 2020
Address	Keyline Builders Merchants Rockbeare Exeter EX5 2HB
Proposal	Erection of a portacabin and reconfiguration of external yard area and associated works
Status	Approved
Decision	Approval - standard time limit
Decision Issued Date	Tue 25 Feb 2020

Schedule of Payments Made 01/04/2019 – date:

Date	Cheque	Payee	Net	VAT	Total	Monthly Total Net)
111219	400749	Clerk Salary	590.76	0	590.76	
111219	400750	HMRC	164.24	0	164.24	
111219	400751	Clerk Exp	89.5	0	89.5	844.5
170419	400753	RVH (M&T)	15	0	15	
170419	400754	Clerk (Exp)	82.7	0	82.7	
170419	400755	Clerk (Salary)	382.68	0	382.68	
170419	400756	Simon A. Martin	194.7	38.94	233.64	
170419	400757	DALC	171	25.52	196.52	846.08
150519	400758	RVH (M&T)	20	0	20	
150519	400759	Clerk (Exp)	165.4	0	165.4	
150519	400760	Clerk (Salary)	860.8	0	860.8	
150519	400761	JP Auditing	200	0	200	1246.2
190619	400762	Pollards	198	0	198	
190619	400763	CANCELLED	0	0	0	198
170719	400764	Payroll Bureau	24.48	0	24.48	
170719	400765	Vision ICT	132	0	132	
170719	400766	Clerk	561.05	0	561.05	
170719	400767	FRSA	90	0	90	807.53
130819	400768	Hydro Logic	1700	340	2040	1700
180919	400769	PFK Littlejohn	200	40	240	
180919	400770	Clerk Salary	382.68	0	382.68	
180919	400771	Clerk Exp	118.54	0	118.54	
180919	400772	HMRC	95	0	95	
180919	400773	RVH Grant	2350	0	2350	
180919	400774	MGVH Grant	210	0	210	3356.22
231019	400775	Payroll Bureau	23.4	4.68	28.08	
231019	400776	Clerk Salary	428.68	0	428.68	
231019	400777	HMRC	95	0	95	
231019	400778	Clerk Expenses	95	0	95	
231019	400779	TRIP	2500	0	2500	3142.08
141119	400780	Poppy Wreath	30	0	30	
201119	400781	Kennford Tarmacadam Ltd	1048	209.6	1257.6	
201119	400782	Clerk Salary	590.76	0	590.76	
201119	400783	HMRC	164.24	0	164.24	
201119	400784	Clerk Exp	89.5	0	89.5	
111219	400785	Clerk Salary	570.76	0	570.76	2493.26
70120	400786	HMRC	158.81	0	158.81	
111219	400787	Clerk Exp	89.5	0	89.5	
111219	400788	Voice Recorder	50.84	10.16	61	
150120	400789	Clerk Salary	590.76	0	590.76	

150120	400790	Clerk Exp	89.5	0	89.5	
150120	400791	HMRC	158.81	0	158.81	
150120	400792	MGVH Rent	180	0	180	1318.22
190220	400793	RVH	30.00	0.00	30.00	
190220	400794	HMRC	262.81	0	262.81	
190220	400795	Clerk Salary	579.16	0	579.16	
190220	400796	Clerk Exp	89.5	0	89.5	931.47
			16,883.56	668.9	17,552.46	

Balance at Bank	£ 96,859.21
Uncashed Cheques	30.00
Reconciled Amount	£ <u>96,829.21</u>