

ROOKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Rookley Parish Council held on Wednesday 4th January 2023 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Highwood Lane, Rookley, Isle of Wight.

Present: Chairman Cllr. C. Willis
Cllrs: A. Watts and E. Wills.

In attendance: Clerk Tina Bailey

71/22-23 APOLOGIES

To receive any apologies for absence
Cllrs. Jones and RigaudBarrett sent their apologies.

72/22-23 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

1. To receive any declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest
None
2. To receive and consider any written requests for dispensation
None

73/22-23 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7th DECEMBER 2022 RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 7th December 2022 were approved as a true record and duly signed.

74/22-23 PLAYGROUND SWINGS REPAIR/ REPLACEMENT

1. **To receive an update on possible sponsorship and clarify the specific support required.**

The request for possible sponsorship has been made and the response noted, with a request for further details of what specific support is required.

RESOLVED

The council agreed that the work needed is for the six posts supporting the swing frame, currently concreted into the ground, to be removed and replaced. The top of the frame and swings are all still in good condition and serviceable.

2. **To review finances and agree**

a) The amount of funding that could be allocated towards repairs from this financial year's budget.

b) If additional money needs to be included in the 23/24 budget towards playground equipment repairs/replacement/removal.

RESOLVED

That discussion for 2a) and 2b) are deferred until the February meeting.

75/22-23 CORONATION - TO DISCUSS A VILLAGE EVENT.

The preliminary details for an event were reported as the council is not running or funding the event.

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TO RECEIVE REPORTS / INFORMATION FROM

1. The Clerk

Grass cutting contract - The clerk reported that she was unable to find a copy of the contract for the grass cutting on the Village Green. The council confirmed that there isn't one. The clerk advised that a contract was necessary for the benefit of both parties and will provide a draft, with the terms and conditions to be agreed by the council.

Lloyds Bank change of mandate – the authority for the change of addresses submitted the first week of November, still hasn't been dealt with by the bank. The clerk will call into the Newport branch to chase up the delay.

2. The Chairman

Skatepark Project - It was reported that the details for the skatepark project are being worked on, with the aim to have everything in place and agreed ready for the commencement of work in springtime. An update will be provided next month.

3. Parish Councillors

Problems with BT connection - As reported previously by Cllr Watts at the November meeting, minute no: 60/21-23 (3), the problem with maintaining broadband connection is continuing with no improvement to the service. Enquiries will be made in the surrounding areas, to gauge how many households are affected.

4. IW Councillor – Cllr Ellis sent her apologies.

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FINANCES

1. To approve the payments.

RESOLVED

That the presented payments are approved.

Payable to:	Details	VAT	Total
I&S Rigaudbarrett	Newsletter printing	22.87	137.24
E Wills	Cups for Carol Service		18.65
E Read	Nov Grass and Hedge Cut		220.00
V. Bailey	Salary		£261.29
Pending payment			
M Jones	Carol sheets printing		£12.00
V. Bailey	Admin expenses		£71.08

2. To note the bank reconciliation to the end of December 2022

Treasurers Account

Balance at 30 th Nov 2022	5925.45
Add: Income:	0
Less: Expenditure	<u>637.18</u>
Balance at 30 th Dec 2022	<u>£5288.27</u>

RESOLVED

The reconciliation was noted and the Chairman verified the balance against the presented bank statement

- 3. To agree the budget for 2023/24
- 4. To set the precept for 2023/24

The clerk advised that setting the budget and precept should be undertaken by the full council and reported that the IWC will be sending out details of the precepts and tax base later in January.

RESOLVED

That setting the 2023/24 budget and precept will be deferred until the February meeting.

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PLANNING

To discuss any planning applications received and note any IWC decisions

Noted:

Application No: 22/02014/CLPUD

Location: Corris Main Road Rookley Ventnor Isle Of Wight PO38 3NF

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for proposed single storey rear extension with pitched roof.

Decision: Granted

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 1st February 2023.

The meeting closed at 20.10

Chairman

Date