



**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF ROOKSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL
held in the ROOKSDOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE, ROOKSDOWN
on MONDAY 24th April 2017 following the APM – starting at 10.15pm**

	In attendance	Apologies	Absent
Councillor Mahoney (Chairman)	✓		
Councillor Botten	✓		
Councillor Bound (Borough Councillor)	✓		
Councillor Lovett (Vice Chairman)	✓		
Councillor Brocklebank	✓		
Councillor Mason	✓		
Councillor Payne	✓		
Councillor Parkinson		✓	

052/17 **To appoint a Councillor to take the minutes of the meeting**
Councillor Mahoney was appointed to take the minutes of this meeting in the absence of a Clerk/RFO.

053/17 **To receive and accept apologies for absence**
Apologies had been received and were accepted for Cllr Parkinson.

054/17 **To receive and note any declarations of pecuniary interest relevant to the agenda**
No declarations made

055/17 **To discuss and consider whether the Parish Council should contribute further financial support to the revised layout of the skate park design**
Cllr Payne explained that in relation to the Skate Park at Rooksdown tender, he had received correspondence from Daniel Bailey, Play and Open Space Officer at Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council to ask whether the Parish Council would contribute to proposed improvements to the wearability and aesthetics of the Skatepark. He explained that rubber mulch had been retro-fitted to the park in Newbury. The grass at the edges and on steep sides would eventually wear to bear earth which not only looks unattractive but also turns to mud and gets the park very dirty.

Cllr Payne proposed a contribution of £5000 towards the revised layout of the skate park design. Seconded Cllr Mahoney. It was **RESOLVED** to contribute £5,000 towards the revised layout of the skate park design, specifically in relation to the edge protection solution, provided that it is delivered with the rubber mulch solution. The sum of £5000 is in alignment with a previous resolution during the Parish Council meeting on 27 June 2016 [085/16] regarding a contribution from the Parish Council of up to £5000 to the Skatepark LIF application (the purpose for resolution 085/16 no longer applicable). Unanimously agreed by the councillors.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.30pm