



ROOKSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ROOKSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL held in the ROOKSDOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE, ROOKSDOWN on MONDAY 22nd May 2017 AT 7.45 PM

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

Also in attendance: County Councillor Stephen Reid, County Councillor Robert Taylor, David Hillier-Wheal (Clerk to Bishopstoke Parish Council) and 1 resident.

061/17	<p>To approve appointing David Hillier-Wheal as the Proper Officer for the duration of the Parish Council meeting Proposed Councillor Mahoney, Seconded Councillor Lovett, RESOLVED unanimously that David Hillier-Wheal be appointed as the Proper Officer for the duration of the meeting.</p>
062/17	<p>To elect the Chairman for the ensuing municipal year Cllr Mahoney was nominated. In the absence of other nominations, a vote was held and Cllr Mahoney was duly elected to be Chair for the ensuing municipal year.</p>
063/17	<p>To elect the Vice Chairman for the ensuing municipal year No nominations were received for Vice Chairman and the post was left unfilled.</p>
064/17	<p>The receive the following policies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Orders • Financial Regulations • Health and Safety Policy • Dignity at Work Policy • Complaints Policy • Equal Opportunities Policy • Data Protection Policy • Safeguarding Policy • Reserves Policy • Social Media Policy • Reporting Protocol • Co-option Procedure • Grant Awarding Criteria <p>After discussion, it was agreed that the Dignity at Work, Health & Safety and the Social Media Policies would be reviewed at the earliest opportunity.</p> <p>Proposed Councillor Mahoney, Seconded Councillor Lovett, RESOLVED unanimously to receive the listed policies.</p>

065/17	<p>To consider committees and their members</p> <p>It was agreed to maintain the Human Resources committee, with Cllr Lovett, Cllr Mason and Cllr Payne as members.</p> <p>It was also agreed that on the next agenda would be appointing a working group to organize recruiting a new Clerk.</p>
066/17	<p>To receive and note any declarations of pecuniary interest relevant to the agenda</p> <p>Cllr Mahoney declared that he is the recipient of one of the expenses claims.</p> <p>Cllr Payne declared an interest in one of the Planning Applications, as he is a close neighbour.</p>
067/17	<p>The Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Rooksdown Parish Council meeting held on the 27th March, the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on Monday 24th April and the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2017</p> <p>Proposed Cllr Mahoney, Seconded Cllr Lovett, RESOLVED unanimously to approve signing the minutes of the three meetings.</p>
068/17	<p>To receive an update on matters arising not covered on the agenda elsewhere</p> <p>Cllr Payne reported that there may be an opportunity to have the Parish Council logo on the skate park signs.</p> <p>Cllr Mahoney reported an email from Dave Perkin asking whether the Parish had any work that needed doing. The Council is also going to apply again for the £3,000 Litter Grant that it received last year.</p>
069/17	<p>To open the meeting to members of the public</p> <p><i>Standing orders were suspended for this item</i></p> <p>No members of the public wished to speak</p>
070/17	<p>To receive reports from:</p> <p>Chairman to Rooksdown Parish Council</p> <p>The Chair reported that he had attended a meeting of the Development Control Committee. His comments are attached to these minutes as Appendix A. He had also attended a meeting with HCA and Taylor Wimpy regarding David Wilson homes.</p> <p>County Councillor</p> <p>County Councillor Stephen Reid's report had been circulated prior to the meeting and is attached to these minutes (Appendix B).</p> <p>Cllr Reid also introduced the new County Cllr for Basingstoke North West – Robert Taylor. He introduced himself and stated he was looking forward to working closely with the Parish Council.</p> <p>Borough Councillor</p> <p>Borough Councillor Simon Bound reported that the GP surgery is now finished, which is good news. It also means there will be less vans around. There are issues regarding what the policy will be around the school, especially as there will be a big increase in traffic in September. Cllr Bound also informed the Council of a meeting at Sherbourne Fields on Wednesday 24th May to advise residents regarding their build quality issues, and how to deal with the management company. Cllr Mahoney will attend.</p> <p>Rooksdown Community Centre</p> <p>Cllr Bound announced that the Summer Fair will be on 2nd July. He also requested content for the Rooksdown Reporter, which is imminent.</p> <p>CSPO</p> <p>There was no report received. Cllr Bound stated that he had been in conversation with the Police. They said that Rooksdown does not have many young people, and not much reported crime, so there is very little for them to comment on.</p>
071/17	<p>To note the current financial situation and to sign the bank statements</p> <p>There was still no update available. This item will be retained on the agenda going forward.</p> <p>Action: Cllr Mahoney</p>

072/17	To consider and agree requests for Payments Proposed Cllr Botten, Seconded Cllr Lovett, RESOLVED unanimously to approve the requests for payments. (Appendix C) Cllr Lovett agreed to load payments on internet banking & Cllr Botten agreed to approve on internet banking.
073/17	To consider grant requests None presented
074/17	To consider planning application: Erection of a two storey side extension 73 Highpath Way Basingstoke RG24 9SU Ref. No: 17/00977/HSE Received: Tue 14 Mar 2017 Validated: Tue 14 Mar 2017 This application had been withdrawn
075/17	To consider planning application: Erection of a temporary ward and linked walkway for a period of 5 years (West / Rear of Sherborne Building) Land To The West Of Sherborne Building North Hampshire Hospital Aldermaston Road Basingstoke Hampshire Ref. No: 17/00908/FUL Received: Wed 08 Mar 2017 Validated: Wed 08 Mar 2017 Proposed Cllr Mahoney, Seconded Cllr Lovett, RESOLVED unanimously that the Council support Planning Application 17/00908/FUL providing the preceding application is withdrawn
076/17	To consider planning application: Installation of car park barriers and vehicle number plate recognition North Hampshire Hospital Aldermaston Road Basingstoke Hampshire RG24 9LZ Ref. No: 17/00714/FUL Received: Thu 23 Feb 2017 Validated: Fri 17 Mar 2017 Proposed Cllr Mahoney, Seconded Cllr Lovett, RESOLVED unanimously that the Council raise no objection to Planning Application 17/00714/FUL
077/17	To consider planning application: Variation of Section 106 agreement to allow amendments to bring clause 19.15 in line with Council's definition of "Shared Ownership Terms" and to amend clause 19.16 to allow a mortgagee in possession clause Land North Of Park Prewett Aldermaston Road Basingstoke Hampshire Ref. No: 17/01468/VLA Received: Wed 19 Apr 2017 Validated: Wed 19 Apr 2017 The Council agreed to make no comment on this application
078/17	To consider planning application: Display of 2 no. flag poles with flags and V Board signage at approved housing development Land At Priestley Road And Aldermaston Road Basingstoke Hampshire Ref. No: 17/01027/ADV Received: Thu 16 Mar 2017 Validated: Tue 25 Apr 2017 Proposed Cllr Mahoney, Seconded Cllr Lovett, RESOLVED unanimously that the Council raise no objection to Planning Application 17/01027/ADV
079/17	To consider planning application: Partial conversion of garage to additional living space (Retrospective) 77 Northbrook Crescent Basingstoke RG24 9RB Ref. No: 17/00911/RET Received: Wed 08 Mar 2017 Validated: Tue 25 Apr 2017 Proposed Cllr Mahoney, Seconded Cllr Lovett, RESOLVED that the Council object to Planning Application 17/00911/RET on the grounds of loss of parking space
080/17	To discuss the allotments Cllrs Bound, Lovett and Botten had met with Sue Boocock to discuss the allotments. The developers had not completed any of the required work. It was agreed to contact all applicants for the allotments to provide an update with the delay.
081/17	To discuss the postal contact details of the Parish Council on any media sites & Royal Mail The Council agreed not to renew the PO Box details for the Parish Council and to redirect any mail to the Community Centre. It was noted that online paperwork also needs amending to remove the incorrect phone number and address. Cllr Mahoney will review everything and send changes to Cllr Botten. Action: Cllr Mahoney and Cllr Botten

082/17	<p>To consider the purchase of a mobile phone to be the main contact point for residents to the Parish Council</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Lovett, seconded by Cllr Payne, it was RESOLVED unanimously to purchase a SIM card to be used in a mobile phone as a cost effective solution to the communication problems. Cllr Mahoney to provide a handset.</p> <p>Cllr Payne to obtain a sim card for a maximum of £20 per month.</p> <p>Actions: Cllrs Mahoney and Payne</p>
083/17	<p>To discuss the proposals for the advancement of Park Prewett North / Old Golf Course area</p> <p>The distribution of houses amongst developers has now been agreed following a deal with HCA. Half will go to David Wilson South, one quarter to David Wilson Southern Counties and one quarter will be the HCA accelerated construction scheme. All will be built at the same time.</p> <p>There will be inevitable construction traffic problems as access will be needed from both sides. Combined with other developments this could lead to five separate developments all needing access at the same time, as well as two new primary school classes every year.</p> <p>Further updates will be provided as they become available.</p>
084/17	<p>To discuss support for Rooksdown Summer Fair 2017</p> <p>The Fair will be a "Rodeo and Summer Fair" and will feature a cowboy theme. There will be a community tent for people to get involved. Material needs to be prepared to display. Suggestions were the Skate Park, a master plan of the Parish, the poster from the Parish Assembly and detail on the Spinney. A budget of £150 was agreed.</p> <p>A further brief meeting will be held on 11th June at 11:30 to bring together everything that needs printing.</p>
085/17	<p>To confirm the date of the next meeting</p> <p>It was confirmed that the next meeting would be held on 26th June 2017</p>
056/17	<p>To consider confidential matters under schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.</p> <p><i>Members of the public will be asked to leave the meeting</i></p> <p>There were no confidential matters to discuss</p>

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10:05pm

16/03969/FUL

Erection of temporary ward and linked walk way for a period of 5 years (East of Sherborne Building) |
Land To The East Of Sherborne Building North Hampshire Hospital Aldermaston Road Basingstoke Hampshire

Comments to the Development Control Committee

Paul Mahoney, Chairman of Rooksdown Parish Council (17 May 2017)

Rooksdown Parish Council firmly believe we should support the development of NHS facilities to support the increasing demand on the NHS service provided by North Hampshire Hospital – our neighbour in Rooksdown - but what the Parish Council has found in the relationship we have with the hospital over the years is that there has been a distinct lack of effort to manage the growing demand for parking generally – which has a massive impact on the local streets in Rooksdown.

Therefore, as our consultation comments (submitted at the back end of 2016) show, *'the Parish Council is extremely concerned about the impact on parking as a result of the new building from staff & hospital visitors which will just add to the tensions on The Avenue and across the whole residential site in Rooksdown'*.

Parking generated by the hospital has a significant impact in Rooksdown and the problem just seems to be getting worse (*and that is even **without** this proposal*) – with staff & hospital visitors just dumping their cars anywhere they can find to dump them in this residential area:

As you may have seen from your site visit last week –

- cars are parked badly & completely on pavements
- cars are parked blocking bus stops
- cars are parked blocking pedestrian crossing points
- cars are parked making junctions dangerous
- cars are often just abandoned on grass verges, or at roundabouts

Basically, anywhere owners can find to just dump their vehicle & go. This situation currently is not safe for everyone.

Cllr Bound, our Borough Councillor & a member of the Parish Council has been recording vehicles which have been causing our parking issues in Rooksdown with at least 50% being easily identifiable as belonging to staff (given the cars display staff permits in their windscreens). Cllr Bound daily reported problems being caused from St Michael's Hospice all along The Avenue and Park Prewett Road until you get to the Community Centre at one side and Pegg's Way on the other. With a number of particularly problem parkers also being experienced on the northern part of Pumphouse Way.

The current situation

- makes the roads very dangerous for all pedestrians, cyclists, buses & cars
- makes it very dangerous for residents and visitors to Rooksdown
- makes it very dangerous for all drivers through the development (just last week there was a crash on the main Park Prewett Road as a resident was unable to see clearly due to the sheer volume of non-resident cars parked on the road)
- makes it very dangerous for our young children & school children particularly round the junctions near the school site and the Community Centre
- makes it very dangerous for our disabled residents & wheel chair users, and for parents with prams

The problem is quite significant and articles appear regularly in the press about how dangerous it

I often work from home throughout the week & when I take my dog for a walk at all different times around the development I cannot help but notice the constant queue of cars waiting on the hospital road for parking spaces to become available (in the Sherborne Building car park). It would seem that after queuing for many minutes to gain access to the hospital campus many car drivers get so frustrated that they try to find a car parking space & just abandon their car anywhere in the surrounding roads, no matter what. I have also seen visitors to the hospital (staff & hospital visitors) that do not even attempt to gain access to the hospital campus but just park anywhere they can find and any way they like in Rooksdown and just walk in to the hospital.

Rooksdown Parish Council is not sure how representative (or helpful even?) the surveys that have been included in the application are.

The Parish Council can only imagine the impact this application will have on access and parking availability within the hospital grounds generally, and then the impact this will have on the Avenue and surrounding roads in Rooksdown – which will only make a currently bad situation worse.

The Parish Council in our consultation comments submitted at the back end of 2016 stated that we believe the parking problem could be mitigated by a 'no waiting order' on The Avenue and restricted parking along Park Prewett Road.

We requested in our comments that, in the event that this planning application is approved, such parking restrictions be included as a condition of the approval notice and implemented before the start of any building work.

The Parish Council believes that the situation currently is not safe and granting this application with no conditions to deal with the issue will only make matters worse. This would help to minimise the impact on neighbouring residents and road users

For the record, Rooksdown Parish Council would be supportive of any proposals from the hospital that consider improving the overall total management of parking for the hospital – for public parking, staff parking, patient parking, private patient parking and parking from the Conference Centre on site.

And think we also need to be mindful - this application reports that it is a temporary building for 5 years, but in my tenure on the Parish Council what we have seen in the past is a number of applications to extend other temporary accommodation just before the expiry of the original permission.

Report from Stephen Reid for Rooksdown Parish Council May 2017

Introducing Cllr Robert Taylor

I am delighted to report that my long-time colleague Robert Taylor was elected to represent Basingstoke North West on the County Council on May 4th. Robert will introduce himself and I will now pass over the reins to him.

Manydown

The County Council has lodged objections to the proposed Manydown plans. Among the concerns it expresses are questions about the road system and the ability of external roads to handle the extra load. It is recommending a redesign of the A339 roundabout (I favour the 'double T-junction' solution.)

It says: "The highway authority is not satisfied that the additional traffic generated by the development can be safely accommodated on the local and strategic highway network, or that sufficient provision and promotion of sustainable transport is supported by the development."

There is also an objection relating to the Buckskin Flooding issue. In summary, the fear is that a raindrop hitting a roof is likely to find its way into the water table more quickly than a raindrop hitting a green field and that the proposed surface water drainage strategy could exacerbate the flood risk from groundwater, as evidenced by the 2014 floods in Buckskin.

These objections are not show-stoppers: discussions will take place to overcome the problems.

New Surgery opens today

I put this down as an act of faith because I have received no official notification.

20 mph to be extended to Gilles / Gander area

I received an e-mail for approval that the 20mph zone be extended into the earliest part of Rooksdown. I indicated my support but asked the officers to confirm it with Cllr Taylor.

Parking issues

No real news on this to add tonight.

Cllr Bound has achieved a victory in getting the hospital to change its plans for a temporary ward. It will now be built behind the Sherborne building and not in front, thereby involving no loss of parking spaces.

The hospital trust is planning to upgrade its car park machines, augmented by number-plate recognition cameras. At worst we get a more efficient and reliable version of what we have now (which means shorter queues). At best, we see a reduction in illicit parking in the hospital car parks, which could have a beneficial knock-on effect for Rooksdown.

Consultation on Fort Hill School

The second consultation period has ended but the final decision has been delayed until after the General Election.

Wellington Terrace / A339 roundabout.

I previously reported that I had enquired about progress on the junction changes. Apparently there were many objections to the proposals, which are being analysed and considered.

I am expecting the problem to be delayed and addressed as part of Manydown access.

Rooksdown School extension and drop-off facility

I haven't seen plans yet for the proposed extension. I asked a question at our Council meeting of the Executive Member who assured me that, whilst dropping off points are not favoured inside school boundaries, they are considered on their merits outside. It is therefore up to us to prove our case.

Build quality

It looks as if the build quality issues are close to being resolved, if not to the satisfaction of the owners then to the limits of their endurance.

New Hospital

The CCG review has not been published yet. This sounds bad but may imply better news: if the answer was a flat 'no' it would be possible to publish it quickly. Perhaps they are genuinely considering the merits of the Critical Treatment Hospital. I hope so. Another positive piece of news is that a liaison group is being established to consider the impacts of centralisation / the CTH. Perhaps this means an increased likelihood of the CTH going ahead?

Stephen Reid, May 2017

Appendix C

May Payment Requests

FOR	AMOUNT	INVOICE NO	METHOD OF PAY
Paul Mahoney	102.98	INVAPM	E Payment
RCA	34.00	221	E Payment
RCA	34.00	227	E Payment
RCA	34.00	306	E Payment
RCA	34.00	333	E payment
RCA	34.00	411	E Payment
HALC	750.00	INV - 1288	E Payment
SLCC	250.00	INV - CiLCA	Cheque - 525