

Minute No. 247

ROCHFORD PARISH COUNCIL
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Minutes of the **Ordinary Business** meeting of Rochford Parish Council held on Monday, 27 September 2021 at Rochford Village Hall starting at 8pm

Attendance: Cllrs C Lord, M Powell, A Prosser, T Jones, County Cllr David Chambers and District Cllr Thomas

Apologies: None Given

In Attendance: Clerk – C Powell, and PCSO Snape

- 1) **Apologies:** None
- 2) **Co-option of Councillor** – Cllr M Gough was co-opted onto Council
Proposed by Cllr Powell & seconded by Cllr Prosser
- 3) **Declarations of Interest:** No Changes
- 4) **Minutes of Last Meeting**
Read and agreed minute note 246
- 5) **Progress Reports for information**

Litter Picking – Clerk to Tenbury Town kindly sent through details about ‘Adopt a Street’ initiative from MHDC. Clerk to enrol us onto this scheme. We will run via volunteers in the village rather than a day of litter picking.

Helping Hand at Ledbury have kindly sent us a litter picking cart. Clerk to deliver this to Cllr Jones to be put together and have photos taken using it.

Clerk to report in magazine and ask for any volunteers.

Speed Signs – Clerk to inform lengthsman to move sign every 3 weeks/once a month – Rotation to be – Davies, Skpperley, Jones & Keysell shop.

Clerk to speak with highways about costings and procedure for rumble strips, pink tarmac or painted 30 signage

Telephone Box – Cllr Lord thanked Cllr Jones for building the shelving and his continuing caretaking of the ‘Swap Shop’. It was proving popular. Cllr Jones said he may put up more shelving if it requires it.

Grit Bins - Clerk waiting to hear back from WCC

Mole End – Clerk to write to owners to determine if anyone is living in the chalet.

6) Finance

Income & Expenditure cashbooks and the Bank Reconciliation were agreed by all.

It was proposed by Cllr Lord & seconded by Cllr Jones to donate £1000 to the hall.

7) Footpath

Ms J Tufton had visited Bank Farm as a footpath officer and had explained to Cllr Powell and the clerk that it was preferred that footpath signage was installed by the footpath officers and to contact her should there be an issue.

The bridge below Weavers has collapsed and needs re-instating – Clerk to follow this up.

8) Insurance

VAS sign has been added to the policy

9) Planning

21/006210CU – Dean Meadow Cottage – Chalet – Decision Pending

21/00862/AGR – Lower Milcote – Approved

21/01306/LB – Bank Cottage – No comments made

21/01687-HP – Rochford Court – Site Meeting to be requested

10) Highways Reporting

Patching of B4204 – started today and planned to finish by end of the week.

11) Litter Bin Collections

A bigger bin to be requested by Cllr Thomas for the bus shelter to help prevent it from overflowing.

12) County Councillor's Report

Report attached to minutes and all attendees given a copy to ask questions.

Police & Crime Commissioner taking on the running of the fire service. Tenbury Police to be based at the fire station too.

13) District Councillor's Report

Recent bi-election had had a low attendance. Lesley Bruton (Independent Candidate) had been elected. A meeting with the mayor to distribute work for the District Councillors.

14) Correspondence

- Worcs Lord Lieutenant's Platinum Jubilee – Plant a Tree initiative
- Consultation papers re local boundary changes – sent via email to all councillors
- Community Officers Report – sent via email to all councillors

15) Councillor's reports & items for future agenda

- Litter Picking
- Highways speeding
- Grit Bins
- Mole End

PCSO Ness Snape reported on the reason for the Charter contracts which were duly completed with in the meeting and returned to PCSO Snape

Smart Water Campaign – PCSO Snape to enquire if this is still available.

Neighbourhood Matters – replaces Neighbourhood Watch, can be signed up to and receive a magazine etc.

16) Date of next meeting & future meetings – All meetings start at 8pm

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.50pm.

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