

Minute No. 262

ROCHFORD PARISH COUNCIL
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Minutes of the **Ordinary Business** meeting of Rochford Parish Council held on Monday, 23 September 2024 at Rochford Village Hall starting at 8pm

Attendance: Cllrs C Lord (Chairman), A Prosser, M Gough, T Jones and M Powell

In Attendance: Clerk – C Powell, District Cllr A Willmott

1) **Apologies:** Cllrs D Chambers & L Bruton

2) **Declarations of Interest:** No changes.

3) **Public Question Time**

Cllr Willmott informed the council that there is money available for those affected by flooding in Tenbury - £80K from WCC and it is hoped that MHDC will put their £20K towards the fund too – Money to be used for rotating signage warning traffic, shop/house defences.

Cllr Willmott discussed the possibility of a development plan for Tenbury/Burford and asked if it was something that Rochford Parish would be interested in being involved with.

4) **Minutes of Last Meeting**

Read and agreed minute note 260 & 261

5) **Progress Reports for information**

Defibrillators – Clerk explained that the existing defibrillator was now discontinued and had been informed that accessories for it may not be available in 12/18 months time. Battery & pads have been ordered which will last for two years.

Regarding a new one for the phone box, costs would be around £1200 + VAT. Power would be required. Clerk to speak with Sapey Common council & Cllr Jones to enquire with National Grid. Clerk to see if she can get a quote for defibrillator & cabinet.

Parish Noticeboard – Cllrs Jones & Lord to arrange the erecting of the noticeboard when time allows.

6) **Finance**

Cash books & bank reconciliation approved by all councillors

To Pay:

C Powell for defibrillator accessories = £156

Financial Regulations to review & agree – Clerk to email councillors with the regulations.

7) Footpath & Highways Reporting

Clerk to ask Lengthsman if he can clear pavement from Telephone box to Rochford House.

Lengthsman also to be asked when clearing signage to take more vegetation off.

8) Litter & Dog bins

Via WhatsApp the council were asked to discuss the possibility of putting up two dog poo bins. Unfortunately, Rochford only have allocated one bin that can be emptied by MHDC and will not collect more. It would be up to the volunteers to empty the bins. It was decided not to replace or introduce anymore bins.

9) Planning

M/24/00236/HP – The Mount – Approved by Planning

M/24/01176/HP – Park Gate Cottage – Discussed & all agreed to approve without comments.

10) Correspondence

- West Mercia Police – Parish contract to complete – Clerk asked to reply with speeding. Also asked to email all areas requesting mobile speed check van.
- CALC forthcoming training dates
- Worcs CALC AGM – Thursday 26th September at Pershore Civic Centre at 7pm
- Cllr D Chambers report
- Cllr L Bruton report
- Cllr A Willmott report

11) Councillor's reports and items for future agenda

- Parish Council website
- Defibrillator
- £250 has been given to Rochford Church to assist with churchyard upkeep

12) Date of 2024 meetings:

- Monday 25th November at 8pm

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