

## RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillors, you are summoned to attend a meeting of **RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL** to be held on **Tuesday 21st January 2025, 7.00pm** Rodmell Village Hall. *Lorna Thwaites*, Rodmell Parish Clerk, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

### To RECEIVE questions from the Public:

The first ten minutes are available for public participation before the start of the meeting. During this time, members of the public may ask questions or make representations, in respect of business on the agenda. Members of the public may only speak at other points during the meeting if they have knowledge or information that will aid the discussion and will only speak at the Chairman's discretion.

### AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** To receive and accept apologies for absence.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS AND TO CONSIDER ANY REQUESTS FOR A DISPENSATION WITH RESPECT TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA,** as required by the Members Code of Conduct.
3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:** To RESOLVE that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Rodmell Parish Council held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 are a correct record and are signed by the Chair.
4. **FINANCE/ADMIN:**
  - 4.1 To RATIFY December payments, to APPROVE January payments, and to RECEIVE the bank reconciliation.
  - 4.2 To AGREE a date for the Annual Parish Meeting.
  - 4.3 To AGREE dates for the ordinary meetings of Rodmell Parish Council for the 2025-2026 financial year.
5. **2025-2026 BUDGET AND PRECEPT**
  - 5.1 To SIGN the budget for 2025-2026.
  - 5.2 To SIGN the precept form for 2025-2026.
6. **REPORT(S):** Any written reports to be taken as read.
  - 6.1 To RECEIVE reports from Local and District Councillors and the MP for Lewes.
  - 6.2 To RECEIVE the following short, verbal or written reports:
    - 6.2.1 First Aid Training – Cllr Toye.
    - 6.2.2 C7 Project – Cllr Toye.
7. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** To RECEIVE correspondence and AGREE any actions:
  - 7.1 Meeting on the Partnership Management Plan and Local Plan Review Regulation 18 consultation – SDNP.
  - 7.2 Southern Water's new Rivers and Seas Watch service – Southern Water.
  - 7.3 Trekking to Everest Base Camp – volunteer from Citizens Advice Bureau.
  - 7.4 Results of Sewerage Survey – CPRE Sussex.
  - 7.5 Electoral Register Revised 1 Dec 2024 – Lewes Electoral Services.
  - 7.6 Town and Parish Councils & VE Day 80 – ESALC.
  - 7.7 Lewes District Local Plan Consultation Events.
8. **MATTERS ARISING:**
  - 8.1 To RECEIVE an update on the hedges at the Recreation Ground cut by Balcombe Landscapes.
  - 8.2 To RECEIVE and accept the quote of Countrymans for grass cutting in 2025-26.
  - 8.3 To RECEIVE an update on fingerpost restoration.
  - 8.4 To RECEIVE an update on the painting of the noticeboard lettering – Cllr Smart.
  - 8.5 To RESOLVE to agree a gesture of thanks for contributions to the parish of two parishioners– Cllr Dishington.
  - 8.6 To RECEIVE an update on the Old Rectory construction issues – Cllr Dishington.
9. **HIGHWAYS:**
  - 9.1 To RECEIVE an update on the repairs requested to the Vehicle Activated Speed Signs.
  - 9.2 To RECEIVE a report regarding the broken Mill Lane/The Street sign and agree any actions.
10. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** To AGREE or RATIFY comments for any applications received:
  - 10.1 **SDNP/24/05289/TCA Proposal:** T1 Catalpa : to remove left and right forks on the branches growing closest to the house; T2 Cherry Plum : to fell; T3 Cherry Plum : to fell; T4 Cherry Plum : to fell T5 Cherry Plum: to fell; T6 Cherry Plum: to fell **Location:** The Mound , The Street, Rodmell, East Sussex, BN7 3HF. (deadline for comments 16 Jan 25).
  - 10.2 **SDNP/24/04948/HOUS Proposal:** Replacement of 13no windows and 1no door **Location:** Falcon Lodge , The Street, Rodmell, East Sussex, BN7 3HF (comments by 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 25).
11. **PROJECTS:**
  - 11.1 **Village Map:**

11.1.1 To RECEIVE an update on the application for planning permission for the map – Cllrs Rathbone and Dishington.

11.1.2 To AGREE next steps with regards to the production of the map and quotes received.

**11.2 Pavilion and Playing Fields:**

11.2.1 To RECEIVE correspondence from the Rodmell Football Club and to RESOLVE to close the matter.

11.2.2 To RECEIVE quotes from AJ Walton for the electrical repairs and to RESOLVE to proceed.

11.2.3 To RECEIVE any quotes for the plumbing works and to AGREE next steps.

**11.3 Play Equipment:**

11.3.1 To RECEIVE an update on the action taken re the 'High Risk' play equipment as classified in the safety inspection report undertaken by RoSPA Play Safety via LDC.

11.3.2 To RECEIVE quotes for the repairs to the playground equipment and to agree how to proceed.

**11.4 Playground Refurbishment:**

11.4.1 To RECEIVE an update on discussions regarding the playground refurbishment and to AGREE next steps - Cllrs Dishington and Hickey.

**11.5 Benches:**

11.5.1 To RECEIVE an update on the outstanding written permission from 2 landowners- Cllr Dishington.

**11.6 Website/Social Media:**

11.6.1 To REQUEST portrait photos from Cllrs for the RPC website.

11.6.2 To RECEIVE quotes for the hosting of the Rodmell.net website and to agree how to proceed.

11.6.3 To RECEIVE an update on the move RodmellParishCouncil.org to a .gov domain with .gov emails.

11.6.4 To RECEIVE an update on the Facebook page for Rodmell Parish Council as an online noticeboard.

**12. TO PROPOSE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL.**

**13. TO RECEIVE THE TIME AND DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL.**

**14. TO CLOSE THE MEETING.**