

RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Councillors, you are summoned to attend a meeting of **RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL** to be held on **Tuesday 21st July 2026, 7.00pm** Rodmell Village Hall. *Lorna Thwaites*, Rodmell Parish Clerk, Wednesday 14th July 2026.

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 19th May 2026 are a correct record and are signed by the Chair.
4. **COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH:**
 - 4.1 To RESOLVE to allow public participation for item 4.2.
 - 4.2 To hear from Steve O'Connell, Community Speed Watch Officer and AGREE any actions.
5. **FINANCE AND ADMIN:**
 - 5.1 To RATIFY June & July payments and to RECEIVE and SIGN the bank reconciliations.
 - 5.2 To NOTE the Clerk's leave in August.
 - 5.3 To RESOLVE to switch electricity supplier for the Pavilion.
 - 5.4 To RESOLVE to appoint an internal auditor for 2026-27.
 - 5.5 To SIGN the Waste Transfer Notes for each bin.
 - 5.6 To ADOPT the RPC grant award policy and application form.
6. **REPORT(S):** Any written reports to be taken as read.
 - 6.1 To RECEIVE reports from Parish Cllrs, Local and District Councillors and the MP for Lewes.
 - 6.2 Wilder Ouse Conference - Caroline
7. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:** To RECEIVE correspondence and AGREE any actions:
 - 7.1 Cricket Pitch Hire – Cllr Barnell.
 - 7.2 S.E. Water Problems – S.Carroll.
 - 7.3 Family Church Camp – M.Derrick.
 - 7.4 Opera Function – P.Toye.
 - 7.5 Parish and District Focus Groups with Sussex PCC and Sussex Police – ESALC.
8. **MATTERS ARISING:**
 - 8.1 To RECEIVE a proposal from Cllr Clerk-Smart to RESOLVE to plant fruit trees in several locations in the village.
 - 8.2 To RECEIVE final details of the James MacCleary MP visit 28th July 2026.
 - 8.3 To RECEIVE information from ESCC regarding Fingerposts.
9. **GRASS CUTTING:**
 - 9.1 To RECEIVE an update on grass cutting undertaken to-date and to agree any further grounds maintenance required outside of the regular schedules.
 - 9.2 To RECEIVE details of weeding/tidying needed at the playground site – Cllr Toye.
10. **HIGHWAYS:**
 - 10.1 To RECEIVE an update on the repairs requested to the Vehicle Activated Speed Signs.
11. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** To AGREE or RATIFY comments for any applications received:
 - 11.1 **Proposal:** Variation of condition 2 (Plans), relating to planning approval SDNP/26/01330/HOUS, for amendments to the approved drawings; **Location:** 2 Barley Field Cottages, The Street, Rodmell, East Sussex, BN7 3HQ (comments by 29th July).
12. **PROJECTS:**
 - 12.1 **Village Map:**
 - 12.1.1 To RECEIVE an update on the installation of the map and to AGREE to pay the expense of Cllr Toye.
 - 12.1.2 To DISCUSS and AGREE any further map items to be produced (posters and tea towels) – Cllr Toye.
 - 12.2 **Pavilion and Playing Fields:**

- 12.2.1 To RECEIVE an update on the informal meeting held with Rodmell Cricket Club regarding their terms of use – Cllr Rathbone and Toye.
- 12.2.2 To AGREE booking forms for general hire and Rodmell Cricket Club.
- 12.2.3 To AGREE the future process for arranging bookings for Cricket Club Pavilion and Playing Field Hire and to discuss any hire arrangements.
- 12.2.4 To DISCUSS repairs to the Pavilion roof and AGREE next steps – Cllr Toye.

12.3 Playground:

- 12.3.1 To AGREE to remove the tree behind the playground shelter – Cllr Clark-Smart.
- 12.3.2 To RECEIVE an update on donations and funds raised to-date.
- 12.3.3 To RECEIVE an update on the application for CIL funding to SDNPA and LDC.
- 12.3.4 To RECEIVE an update on the Do I Need Planning Permission enquiry.
- 12.3.5 To RECEIVE an update on the VEOLIA application.
- 12.3.6 To RECEIVE an update on the playground boundaries and agree any actions required – Cllrs Hickey & Clerk-Smart.

12.4 Bus Shelter Repairs:

- 12.4.1 To RECEIVE details of repairs needed to the bus shelters – Cllr Wettern.

12.5 Benches:

- 12.5.1 To RECEIVE an update on the replacement bench by the noticeboard.

- 13. TO PROPOSE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT ORDINARY MEETING OF RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL.**
- 14. TO RECEIVE THE TIME AND DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING OF RODMELL PARISH COUNCIL.**
- 15. TO CLOSE THE MEETING.**