

# ROWSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES

**For the meeting held on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 via Zoom video chat**

**Councillors present:** Kath Potter  
Matthew Buckler (DDDC)  
Victoria Friend  
Robert Hockley  
Kevin Rowney  
**Apologies:** Richard Bean  
**Others:** Sian Bacon (Clerk)

### PART 1 – NON CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

*Report / Action  
Required*

1. Apologies for absence were received from – Cllr R Bean
2. Cllrs Friend and Rowney declared interest in Item 13 (Village Hall).
3. Public speaking

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#### Cllr Buckler – Derbyshire Dales District Council

- Reported that everything that the District Council has been sent to the Clerk and advertised on Facebook. The District Council has had only one meeting which extended emergency powers to an emergency board of Councillors.

#### Cllr Potter – Camping and gatherings on Stanton Moor

- Reported that there was a lot of issues on Stanton Moor with unwanted visitors which have led to both the Police and Peak Park Rangers attending incidents. However, the landowner has the responsibility for the area and unfortunately the landowner is not doing anything to keep visitors off the site. There is a Stanton Moor meeting before the solstice on the 21<sup>st</sup> June and Cllr Potter will forward anything from that to the Clerk.
- Cllr Friend added that she had been to the Stanton Moor site with Cllr Rowney and had called the Police over an incident of wild camping where an open fire was burning. With the current dry weather conditions it was noted that should fires start on the moorland it could be very serious. It was also noted that there had also been a fire up at Chatsworth due to people illegally camping with a fire. Cllr Friend requested that Cllr Buckler raise this with the DDC and see if an alert or more posters could be put out to make people aware that people camping and building fires is both illegal and incredibly dangerous at this time. Cllr Buckler agreed to raise this.
- Cllr Potter reported that Cllr Fogg from Stanton in the Peak will represent Rowsley at the upcoming Stanton Moor meeting and will send the Clerk the minutes from the meeting.

#### Travellers in Bakewell Update

- It was queried whether Cllr Buckler had any information on the large number of travellers camping at Bakewell and whether there is a plan to return some of them to the Old Station Road carpark. Cllr Buckler reported that he was awaiting a response from District Council officers and would report back to the Clerk.
- Cllr Potter asked that Cllr Buckler follow up on whether the bar will be put back up on the car park. Cllr Buckler will look into this and report back as well.

4. There were no items on the agenda to exclude members of the press and public in order to discuss the following item under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act 1960).

5. The Minutes of the Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 were approved.

Approved

6. Covid 19

- Village and Current Situation Updates Including Lockdown Information

- It was reported that the fence at the Recreation Ground has been repaired.
- It is resolved that the Clerk would approach Mr Carson regarding the damage to the phone box panels on Chatsworth Road and the Burial Ground tree's that need work and ask for quotes.
- Car boot reopening – the Clerk reported that she had been in discussion with the car boot organisers. The Clerk had requested that the entrance and exit would be

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through the top car park although due to visibility issues the organisers had requested that they open the play area but fence off the play area and stop it from being used. Cllr Potter noted that she was against the reopening due to contradictory Government advice and voted against the opening. It was agreed that the car boot could reopen provided the rules are followed and the Clerk receives the risk assessments. Cllrs Wildgoose and Rowney would go down to inspect the site and check that there is social distancing being upheld. If it is found that safety measures are not being upheld then the Council will approach the organisers to request that it is stopped until further lockdown measures are relaxed.

- Cllr Rowney reported that the pond and tanks at the allotments has been refilled and there are a few issues with allotments not being tended, the Clerk reported that there are currently two allotments available for let.
- Cllr Friend noted that ash dieback was a current problem everywhere. The ash trees in the village have reportedly been marked with green blobs and it was noted that the burial ground trees would require checking. The Clerk will look into this

#### 7. Finance and Audit

- End of Year Accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020 – Appendix A - Approved
- Accounts to 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020 – Appendix B - Approved
- S137 grants - £20 vouchers for Parish Magazine Children’s Competition - Approved
- Internal Auditor 2020 – it was Approved to use Mr B Wood for the 2019/20 Internal Audit
- Asset Register 2020/21 – Appendix B
- Review of Financial Regulations, Standing Orders and Audit Risk Assessment – Appendix C
- Clerk pay award. Move up a pay scale to SCP15 to £11.91 per hour from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020
- New expenditure to approve:
  - Clerk Pay Monthly- £350.10
  - DALC – Yearly Subscription - £244.06
  - Peak Park Parishes Forum Subscription - £6
  - V Friend – Magazine delivery - £40
  - Parish Magazine 10 issues a year - £86 per issue has increased by £1 for 2020
  - BT – Direct Debit – £21.60
  - Clerk ½ yearly work from home payment - £100
  - DDDC – Bin emptying - £377.40
  - Haddon Landscapes – Mowing - £1136.66
  - Came & Co – Insurance - £338.40
- Income to Note:
  - DCC – Quarterly Rent - £50
  - Reimbursable expenditure - £1051.00
  - Parish Magazine income – £150
  - Precept - £6552.00
  - Interest – £2.89
  - Mettams - Burial Ground Income - £250
  - Allotment Income – £52.50

#### 8. Parish Magazine

- The editor of the magazine has organised a competition for the village children to submit entries to the parish magazine about life in lockdown. They are split in to two age categories and the winner of each category will receive a £10 gift voucher.
- The magazine is going to start being delivered again next month.
- Cllr Friend has collected £30 from one magazine advert.

#### 9. Village Hall Report

Cllr Friend reported that the Hall is currently closed and it looks as though it will be a while until it reopens with the current government advice.

It was agreed that a fitness class can go ahead on the playing field on a Wednesday.

It was agreed that once the hall reopens and things are relaxed Parish Council meetings would resume in the hall with social distancing.

#### 10. Reading (circulated by email):

- Clerks and Councils Direct (magazine)
- Peak District News and Views
- Rural Bulletins
- Rural Matters Newsletter
- Peak Park Authority Press Releases
- Derbyshire Dales District Council Press Releases

- Neighbourhood Alerts
- Friends of the Peak District Press Releases
- Police Alerts and Releases

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS - All meetings held at 7.30pm at a location to be confirmed dependant on coronavirus guidelines - MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND:

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020