

# PARISH of ODD RODE

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held at Rode Hall & Lawton Cricket Club on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.30pm

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Present Cllrs Clowes (Chair), C Harwood, Cook, Shaw, B Griffiths, R Griffiths and J Brammer.

Mr G. Roberts (Clerk) and CEC Cllr P Redstone also in attendance.

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Detail</u>
1634.	<b><u>Election of Chairman</u></b> Cllr Shaw proposed, Cllr Harwood seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to elect Cllr Clowes as Chairman.
1635.	<b><u>Election of Vice-chairman</u></b> Cllr Shaw proposed, Cllr Cook seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to elect Cllr C Harwood as Vice-chairman.
1636.	<b><u>Apologies for Absence</u></b> Apologies were received from Cllrs Robinson, Lawton, S Harwood, Cope, Connolly, Johnson, Meakin and Moller (Cllr Moller has submitted his written resignation from the Council. He will be thanked for his years of hard work.) Also. PCSO J Carter.
1637.	<b><u>Public Forum</u></b> No issue were raised.
1638.	<b><u>Declarations of interest</u></b> There were no declarations of interest.
1639.	<b><u>Minutes of a meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021</u></b> Cllr R Griffiths proposed, Cllr Brammer seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to pass the minutes of the meeting held on 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2021 as a true and correct record.
1640.	<b><u>Matters arising from the Meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021</u></b> It was noted that Cllr Brammer had signed the acceptance of office.
1641.	<b><u>Appointment of Internal Auditor</u></b> It was proposed by Cllr Shaw, seconded by Cllr R Griffiths and unanimously RESOLVED to appoint JDH Business Services as the Council's Internal Auditor.

1642. **Insurance**

It was proposed by Cllr Shaw, seconded by Cllr R Griffiths and unanimously RESOLVED to renew the Council's insurance with Zurich Municipal.

1643. **Accounts and Expenses**

Cllr B Griffiths proposed, Cllr Harwood seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to agree the following payments:

<b>PAYE + NIC</b>	£815.98
<i>April payment</i>	
<b>Mr G Roberts</b>	£2025.78
<i>April salary</i>	
<b>Superannuation</b>	£763.78
<i>April payment</i>	
<b>PAYE + NIC</b>	£813.22
<i>May payment</i>	
<b>Mr G Roberts</b>	£2027.78
<i>May salary</i>	
<b>Superannuation</b>	£763.78
<i>May payment</i>	
<b>Royal Mail</b>	£00.76
<i>Freepost Usage</i>	
<b>08 Direct</b>	£11.99
<i>Freephone number 1 month (booking line) April</i>	
<b>Giff Gaff</b>	£6.00
<i>1 mobile monthly at £6.00 for booking line April</i>	
<b>08 Direct</b>	£11.99
<i>Freephone number 1 month (booking line) May</i>	
<b>Giff Gaff</b>	£6.00
<i>1 mobile monthly at £6.00 for booking line May</i>	
<b>The Leaflet Team</b>	£723.00
<i>Printing &amp; distributing April/May On The Rode</i>	
<b>Mount Pleasant Village Hall</b>	£90.00
<i>Room hire May &amp; June meetings</i>	
<b>ChALC</b>	£1487.04
<i>Annual membership subscription</i>	
<b>Zurich Municipal</b>	£802.30
<i>Annual Council insurance 21/22</i>	

1644. **Appointment to committees, etc**

It was proposed by Cllr Clowes, Seconded by Cllr Shaw and unanimously RESOLVED to reappoint members en bloc subject to any members wishing to be added to a committee, working group, etc being allowed to.

- a) Planning Committee (Cllr Clowes, Cllr Connolly, Cllr R Griffiths, Cllr Lawton, Cllr Robinson, Cllr Shaw)
- b) Community Transport Management Committee (Cllr Clowes, Cllr C Harwood, Cllr S Harwood, Cllr Lawton, Cllr Shaw)
- c) Grants Committee (Cllr Clowes, Cllr Cook, Cllr B Griffiths, Cllr S Harwood, Cllr Lawton, Cllr Meakin)
- d) Police & Community Support Officer cluster meetings - open to all members to attend but those named as regular attendees (Cllr Clowes, Cllr B Griffiths, Cllr R Griffiths, Cllr Meakin).
- e) Policy, Procedures & Personnel Working Group (Cllr Clowes, Cllr C Harwood, Cllr B Griffiths, Cllr Brammer)
- f) Newsletter Working Group (Cllr Clowes, Cllr S Cope, Cllr C Harwood,

- Cllr S Harwood, Cllr Lawton, Cllr Shaw)
- g) Parish Environmental Enhancement Projects (Cllr Clowes, Cllr Cook, Cllr C Harwood, Cllr Lawton, Cllr Meakin)
- h) Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group (Cllr Clowes, Cllr Lawton and Cllr Robinson)
- i) Office Working Group (Cllr Clowes, Cllr Cook, Cllr C Harwood, Cllr S Harwood, Cllr Lawton)
- j) Scholar Green Village Hall (Cllr Shaw)
- k) Mount Pleasant Village Hall (Cllr Lawton)
- l) Rode Heath Village Hall (Cllr S Harwood)
- m) YPCC (Cllr S Harwood)
- n) Cheshire Association of Local Councils (Cllr Lawton, Cllr Clowes and 1 vacancy)
- o) Christmas Trees Working Group (Cllr Connolly, Cllr Lawton & Cllr R Griffiths). To meet if needed.

### **Reports & Updates**

1645. *Committees & Working Groups* – Brief reports were given from the committees and working groups (most having not met in recent months): Planning (objection to phone mast); Community Transport (preparations underway to get the minibus ready for service); Grants (awards made); Newsletter (next June/July issue); PEEP (will meet after lock down).

*Police & Community Support officer* – PCSO Carter was on leave.

*Cheshire East Matters* – Cllr Redstone reported on CEC matters including: socially distanced committee system; delegated decisions extended for a month; Highways top up scheme; Chells Hill motor cross meeting (still getting complaints); Mast at bottom of Spring Bank; problems with the tree in front of Scholar Green Primary School (in mini roundabout); and Winter gritting not reinstated as stated on website.

Cllr Clowes reported on the CEC Highways top up virtual meeting. The funding is coming from the minor works budget. Many of the details don't seem to be agreed yet and Ward members haven't received training. Copies of the slides had been sent to members and the June meeting will consider the proposals.

*Village Halls* – Brief reports were given as most had no recent meetings:

### 1646. **Correspondence**

The following correspondence was received and noted:

- a) Letter re SAPD – noted.
- b) Letter re biodiversity – noted.
- c) Telecom consultation – forward members' comments..

### 1647. **Conclusion**

The meeting concluded at 8.40 p.m.

Signed by the Chairperson\_\_\_\_\_

Dated\_\_\_\_\_

