

RODE PARISH COUNCIL

I hereby give notice of a Meeting of Rode Parish Council
To be held in Memorial Hall, Rode
on Monday 11th September 2023 at 7.30pm



Hugh Williams, Clerk to Rode PC

Dated: 3 September 2023

AGENDA

1. **Parishioners' Participation:** (to last no longer than 15 minutes) Comments/decisions will only be made during this session if appropriate. Items raised maybe added to the next agenda for full discussion.
2. **Apologies for absence**
3. **Approval of minutes of the meeting held on 7th August 2023**
4. **Councillors Declaration of interest**
5. **Report from County Councillors**
6. **Actions from the previous meeting**
 - i) The Mill application for new license – update and results of Hearing held on 6th September
 - ii) Christchurch graveyard grass cutting
 - iii) Hoedown and phone box repainting report from August – future dates
 - iv) Defibrillator – To agree possible dates in October for Awareness Training
 - v) Paths – Church Lane, Clay Lane and The Mill, updates
 - vi) Dog bin for playing field – to discuss and agree whether purchase pole along with dog bin or should taller pole, as requested, be purchased by PC or Playing Field
 - vii) To agree quote for pruning large copper beech on The Mead
7. **Climate Change Group**

Report from Climate Change Group
To note agreement for PCs to share payment amount for Big Green Week publicity
8. **Highways issues**
 - i) 20mph speed limit in Rode and village gates – update
 - ii) Bradford Road and Rode Hill junction improvements – installation of vehicle activated sign on road from Wingfield
 - iii) Street lights turning off at midnight of selected lights – to consider and agree costs to implement turning off majority of lights in Rode at midnight and back on at 5.00am. (Proposal circulated separately)
 - iv) A36 slip road – any update
 - v) The Sportsman – update on adoption
 - vi) A361 and access to Church Farm - update
9. **Planning matters**
 - a. New applications
2023/1522/TCA: To reduce and reshape crown of magnolia and reduce crab apple by 1m – 23 Lower Street

b. Somerset decisions

2023/0919/TCA: Fell ash and elder trees on rear wall – 36 High Street. Approved

2023/1379/TCA: Pollard hornbeam at height of approx. 10ft – 33 High Street. Approved

2023/1403/TCA: Reduce gingko tree by 2-3m – Paviours Well Cottage, High Street. Approved

c. Other planning matters

ENF/2023/0284: The Old Coach House, 1A Rode Hill. Somerset have written to the owners regarding breach of planning conditions regarding the development of the annex. Any updates.

ENF/2023/0296: The Bell public house concern over condition and future. To note Somerset are not currently taking any action apart from writing to the owners and a future watching brief.

NB: The Council reserves the right to consider planning applications not listed on this agenda that may have been received by the Council after the agenda was issued.

10. Buses

Update on services – new timetables

11. New website

Separate Councillor email addresses for use for Parish Council work

Update on new website and to discuss when to launch it

12. Solar Farm

Update and report of Teams call held on 17th August and to note Mendip Bridleways and Byways Association and local residents' comments on bridleway Ref: 13/20. To agree possible meeting.

13. Playing Field – S106 land

To receive update on the condition of the S106 land and plans to get land under control including progress on cricket field extension

14. Financial matters

i) To note accounts for 2022/23 have been approved by independent auditor PKF Littlejohn

ii) To agree payments

15. Items for next agenda/Items to report/Any other business

16. Date of next meeting

To confirm Monday 9th October for next meeting in Committee Room at Memorial Hall

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