

## RODE PARISH COUNCIL

I hereby give notice of a Virtual Meeting of Rode Parish Council  
To be held outside on Zoom on  
Tuesday 1st September 2020 at 7.30pm



Dated: 24 August 2020

Hugh Williams, Clerk to Rode PC

### AGENDA

1. **Parishioners' Participation: this will be by questions submitted in advance or contact with the Clerk to gain access via Zoom and to receive password and log-in details.** Any questions or requests to join the Parish Council meeting must be sent to the Clerk by email [clerk.rodeparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.rodeparishcouncil@gmail.com) or by phone 01373 831046 before 5.00pm on **Monday 31 August**. Questions and comments will be considered by the Parish Council during the meeting and responses given in the 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. **Councillors Declaration of interests**
4. **Approval of minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> August**  
To include clarification to minute 9: sentence starting: 'Nigel Clarke reported.....' to read: 'Nigel Clarke, as Chair of the Playing Field Trustees had been invited to the meeting to answer questions on the letter submitted to the Parish Council, reported.....'
5. **Co-option of Councillors**  
To consider applications for 2 new Councillors to join the Parish Council on a co-opted basis to replace resigned Councillors  
To note Ann Edney with assistance from Elaine Butler to be responsible for planning issues
6. **Report from County Councillor**
7. **Report from District Councillor**
8. **Actions from the previous meeting**
  - i) Lengthsman update to consider appointment and agree work schedule and hours
  - ii) Drain on Straight Lane by Fussell's yard
  - iii) Bank and vegetation on Church Lane
  - iv) Parish website accessibility compliance - update
9. **Highways issues and TAG**
  - i) A361 ongoing speed concerns near Church Farm development
  - ii) Speed of traffic through village – proposal for 20mph throughout village
10. **Planning matters**
  - a. New applications

**2020/1540/TCA:** Felling of 2 sycamore trees and reduction of height of another and felling of pine tree – The Old Coach House, 1A Rode Hill

**b. Mendip decisions**

**2020/0586/HSE and 2020/0587/LBC:** Internal and external alterations including erection of erection of single-storey rear extension – 13 High Street. Approved with conditions.

**2020/0973/FUL:** Erection of two bed dwelling house and associated work – behind 16 Lower Street. Approved with conditions.

**2020/1061/HSE:** Erection of single storey front and rear extensions – 18 The Mead. Approved with conditions.

**2020/1370/TCA:** Felling of bay trees – 5 Langham Place. Approved no TPO required.

**c. Other planning matters - Update on planning applications.**

**i) Merfield/The Mead** – to note villagers have sent 23 letters opposing development on this site to the Parish Council

To agree to have a further meeting with David James to discuss planning proposals prior to submission to Mendip. To agree representatives to meet (virtually) with him

**ii) Barbara's Field preliminary discussions** – to note presentation made to approximately 50 villagers at public the meeting held on 20 August on Rode Playing Field; and to review comments made at meeting

**iii)** To confirm the appointment of an independent traffic expert (Patrick Moss) to act for the PC to produce a village traffic audit and traffic assessment of both Merfield and Barbara's Field development applications

*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.*

**11. Playing field and footpaths from Church Farm**

Update on path from Church Farm to village centre, following discussions with Autograph Homes

**12. Inspector's Hearing – Mendip Local Plan Part 2**

To note comprehensive responses submitted by Rode PC to the Inspector's Report Hearings on the Mendip Local Plan Part 2.

To note hearings have been delayed until mid/late October

**13. Multi-use paths**

Virtual meeting to be held with Mendip on multi-use paths - update

**14. Somerset Unitary Authority**

To consider options being proposed to replace the 4 District Councils, to form group to discuss further

**15. Financial matters**

i) To note approve new cheque signatories and key Bank contact for accounts

ii) To agree payments

**16. Items for next agenda/Items to report**

**17. Date of next meeting**

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