

RACKENFORD AND CREACOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council will be held at Rackenford School, on Tuesday 7th November 2017, starting at 7.30pm.

All councillors are summoned.

Members of the public are welcome and have the opportunity to speak on item 2 only.

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AGENDA

- 1 Apologies**
- 2 Open Forum** – members of the public, and councillors with an interest, have the opportunity to address the meeting if invited to do so by the Chairman (limiting their contribution to 3 minutes)
- 3 Minutes**
To sign, if approved, the minutes of the 5th September 2017 meeting, 26th October 2017 and 2 November 2017.
- 4 Declaration of Interests**
- 5 Report from District and County Councillor**
- 6 The Common**
 - a. Environmental and tree surveys – To receive an update / report from Devon Wildlife Trust
 - b. Landscape architects – to consider options for expressions of interest for a landscape architect
 - c. Update on grass cutting long term solution
 - d. Use of the Common for organised events – To consider formalising arrangements for access and insurance purposes
- 7 Highways & Footpaths**
 - a. Footpaths – Update on replacement gate, and any other matters
 - b. Common/Children's Play Area – To consider any urgent repairs and maintenance and long term replacement options
 - c. Bus shelter – To consider a request for a bus shelter in the village
- 8 War Memorial**
 - a. To consider and agree the grant application to the War Memorials Trust including approval of the Council's share of costs
 - b. To consider and approve any other works to the War Memorial site
- 9 Fireworks Display** -To report back on the 2017 display and consider any issues for future years
- 10 Trinity Well** – Update on the repair works and consider longer term
- 11 Snow Warden arrangements** – To review and confirm snow warden working arrangements with Devon County Council

- 12 Request for funding** – To consider a request from the Shop to contribute £100 towards new lighting
- 13 Planning**
- a. Applications for consultation
- 63886: Alterations to dwelling together with insertion of windows, doors and chimney flue at the Stage Inn, Rackenford – deadline 9th November
 - 63887: Listed building application for alterations to dwelling together with insertion of windows, doors and chimney flue at the Stage Inn, Rackenford - deadline 9th November
- b. Applications awaiting NDDC decision - none
- c. Application / Enforcement Decisions since last meeting
- 63597 Retrospective application for continued use of polytunnel, Creacombe Parsonage – granted
 - 63062 Highfield Farm erection of 2 general purpose agricultural buildings including landscaping works and alterations to vehicular access – granted
 - 63069 Highfield Farm outline application for erection of one replacement dwelling - granted
 - 62724 Reserved matters for erection of one dwelling, Plot 3 Prospect Farm – approved
- d. Applications received after the agenda posted.
- 14 Finance 2017/18**
- a. Financial report – see budget monitoring statement
- b. Payments to approve:
- K Ward / HMRC clerks wages £273.85
 - K Ward expenses £26.06
 - K Ward reimburse for purchase of IT equipment £498.97 (£415.81 + VAT)
 - Grant Thornton external audit fees £120.00 (£100.00 + VAT)
 - S Hagley repair works to Trinity Well £505.00
- c. Accounts received after the agenda was posted
- 15 Draft budget 2018/19, review of reserves and establishment of a Reserves Policy** – see budget monitoring statement
- 16 Batsworthy Cross Wind Farm** – verbal update
- 17 Shop/Post Office/School** – verbal updates
- 18 Correspondence**
- 19 Matters of Urgency raised by the Chairman for noting only**
- 20 Next Meeting**
Tuesday 16th January 2017, at 7.30pm, Rackenford School