

## ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall, Bliss Gate on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2006 commencing at 7.00pm.**

**Present:** Councillors K Perkins (Chairman)  
J C Simmonds Mrs P Pain  
J Nott Mrs P Harvey  
C Price Miss Morris  
J Turner D Godwin  
A Brooks G Watson  
C Hadler Mrs S Tudor Hughes

**Apologies were accepted from:** County Councillor John Campion.

**In attendance:** Mr S Clee, Mr Colin Link & Mr G Edwards.

### **327 Minutes of Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 27th November 2006 and as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman. Councillor Perkins stated he had inspected the two parish notice boards and they were ready for installation. He pointed out the remaining two to be made needed to have provision for local posting in one side and parish notices on the other. Two doors needed to be provided with separate compartments.

### **328 Declaration of Interest for a) The Meeting and b) Any Changes to be notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality;**

- a) There was none.
- b) There were none.

### **329 Public Participation**

Mr Geoff Edwards addressed the council on a matter relating to Bewdley Town Football Club along Ribbesford Road. Mr Edwards outlined current issues with the district council relating to his permitted planning application and recent developments. The Chairman thanked Mr Edwards and confirmed the Parish Council would make this matter an agenda item in January when the clerk had the opportunity to investigate the issues raised in the presentation.

### **330 Planning Matters:**

#### **A) Matters for consideration;**

Application No : 06/1159/FULL

Valid Date : 15/11/2006

Application for : Proposed conversion to sleeping barn (hostel type accommodation) with provision for parking; retention of shop at HAYE FARM, RIBBESFORD, BEWDLEY, DY12 2TP.

Recommended approval with no objections.

Application No : 06/1160/LIST

Valid Date : 15/11/2006

Application for : Renovation of barn to form sleeping barn (hostel type accommodation); demolition of existing timber frame lean-to at HAYE FARM, RIBBESFORD, BEWDLEY, DY12 2TP.

Recommended approval with no objections.

#### **B) Applications notified by Wyre Forest District Council**

Council noted the applications approved by Wyre Forest District Council since the last meeting.

### **331 Correspondence Sheet**

Council noted the correspondence sheet.

### **332 County Councillor's Report**

In the absence of Councillor Campion there was no report.

### **333 Local Government White Paper**

The Chairman referred to a recent County Council meeting he had attended which discussed the Government's recently released White Paper on Local Government. He stated there were passionate views on both sides of the council chamber but at the end of the day the council voted to retain the status quo.

### **334 Parish Magazine**

Mrs Pain would provide the parish report for the February parish magazine.

### **335 Far Forest Post Coding**

The Council noted the clerk had been speaking with Royal Mail and they had agreed to attend a meeting of the council early in the New Year prior to any decisions being made on post code changes in the parish.

### **336 District Council Parish Games 2007**

The parish council resolved to enter the 2007 District Council Parish Games and Councillor Chris Hadler agreed to act as co-ordinator.

### **337 Worcestershire County Council**

The Parish Council noted the invitation to attend the Regional Spatial Strategy meeting. The council resolved to make this an agenda item in January and discuss the matter further.

### **338 Rock Village Hall**

The Chairman discussed the facilities available at the new village hall. There was an opportunity for the council to store its documents and parish assets in a permanent location at the new hall. Several members felt the current meeting room was on neutral territory. It was resolved to discuss this matter again once hire rates are known for the Rock Village Hall.

### **339 Finances**

- 1) Outstanding invoices for payment were unanimously approved totalling £200.00
- 2) Precept for 2007/08. The Chairman introduced the recommendations from the budget review working group and the group's spreadsheet. It was unanimously resolved to set the 2007/08 parish precept at £16,100.00

### **340 Date of the Next Meeting**

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.15 hrs. The date of the next meeting being Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2007 commencing at 7.00pm in Callow Hill Methodist Hall.

Chairman.....  
22<sup>nd</sup> January 2007