

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall, Bliss Gate on **Monday 25th January 2010 commencing at 7.00pm.**

Present: Councillors D Godwin (Chairman)
Miss Morris Mrs Pam Harvey
A Brooks C Price
Mrs I Fermin C Hadler

Apologies were accepted from: Councillors Mrs Pain, Gary Watson, John Turner, John Nott, Keith Perkins & County Councillor Campion.

In attendance: Mr S Clee Clerk, Colin Link (Lengthsman), Ms Sandra Woodhouse, David & Joyce Nott, Mrs Edna Mills, Mr Woodhouse, Mr & Mrs Merchant, Mrs Julie Taylor & CSO Jenny Bray.

788 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 14th December 2009 and as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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

- a) Councillors Douglas Godwin declared a prejudicial interest in all matters relating to planning & enforcement agenda items.
- b) There were none.

790 Public Participation

CSO Jenny Bray gave a verbal update on matters affecting the parish over the past 4 weeks.

791 Planning Matters:

001 Application No: 09/0852/FULL
Valid Date: 10/12/2009
Application for: Balcony to first floor and installation of french window at FAIRFIELDS, QUARRY ROAD, ROCK CROSS, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SE.

Council RESOLVED to approve this application.

002 Application No: 09/0855/TREE
Valid Date: 14/12/2009
Application for: Reduce height and reshape two oak trees at ROUSEBINE CARAVAN PARK, CALLOW HILL, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149DB.

Subject to Wyre Forest District Council's trees officers approval Council RESOLVED to support this application.

003 Application No: 09/0857/FULL
Valid Date: 15/12/2009
Application for: Two storey side extension for main bathroom, utility and WC at HEDGEWICK, STATION ROAD, FAR FOREST, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149UD.

Council RESOLVED to support this application.

- 004 Application No: 09/0858/FULL
Valid Date: 16/12/2009
Application for: Extension to existing carpark adjacent to Wyre Forest Discovery Centre at WYRE FOREST DISCOVERY CENTRE, CALLOW HILL, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XQ.

Council RESOLVED to support this application and requested a condition that an improved beech hedge be planted between the extended carpark and the Forestry Houses.
- 005 Application No: 09/0866/FULL
Valid Date: 16/12/2009
Application for: Erection of a detached garage and store at NEW HOUSE, ROCKMOOR FARM, ROCK CROSS, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149RY.

Council RESOLVED to approve this application.
- 006 Application No: 09/0870/FULL
Valid Date: 18/12/2009
Application for: Change of use of Agricultural Land to use for External Caravan Storage at GORST HILL FARM, GORST HILL, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149YJ.

Council RESOLVED to support this application.
- 007 Application No: 09/0872/FULL
Valid Date: 18/12/2009
Application for: Erection of a single storey extension to form a store room as replacement for existing storage sheds at HEIGHTINGTON VILLAGE HALL, HEIGHTINGTON, BEWDLEY, DY122XU.

Council RESOLVED approval.
- 008 Application No: 09/0875/FULL
Valid Date: 21/12/2009
Application for: Single storey rear extension and first floor extension to front at CEFN COTTAGE, CALLOW HILL, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XH.

Council RESOLVED approval to this application.
- 009 Application No: 09/0882/FULL
Valid Date: 23/12/2009
Application for: Installation of pitched roof to replace existing flat roof above offices and replacement conservatory at BANBURY WINDOWS LTD, ALTON WORKS, LONG BANK, BEWDLEY, DY122UJ.

Council RESOLVED approval to this application.
- 010 Application No: 10/0006/FULL
Valid Date: 04/01/2010
Application for: Retention of earthworks to reinforce existing earth dam, facilitate new drainage pipes and re-modelling of land levels at ADJ to POOLSIDE, RIBBESFORD, BEWDLEY, DY122TQ.

Council RESOLVED approval with no objections.

011 Application No: 10/0025/FULL

Valid Date: 13/01/2010

Application for: Erection of building following removal of existing buildings (Amendment to Planning Permission 09/0785/FULL) at THE PATCH, LYE HEAD, BEWDLEY, DY122UT.

Council RESOLVED approval.

792 County Councillor's Report

In the absence of County Councillor Campion there was no report. Councillor Godwin stated his district report was covered in his monthly report contained in the parish magazine.

793 Correspondence Sheet

Council noted the updated correspondence sheet.

794 Adoption of Public Speaking

Council adopted the recommended public speaking policy proposed by CALC.

795 Parish Bus Shelters

Council endorsed the previously suggested sites for bus shelters at Far Forest, Gorst Hill and Clows Hill subject to approval by the Highways Department. Council noted a site visit was organised by the clerk with Worcestershire County Council Highways to inspect the approved locations.

796 Planting a Memorial Tree for John Simmonds

Council RESOLVED to support a proposal by Councillor Godwin that a memorial tree be planted overlooking Callow Hill playing fields. Councillor Godwin to contact the Agricultural Society to see if they would jointly fund the costs of a tree and plaque.

797 Bliss Hill Playing Fields

Council noted the management committee were currently looking at securing insurance on the play equipment.

798 Finances

- a) It was RESOLVED to approve payment of invoices amounting to £635.88
- b) The clerk reported VAT had been reclaimed amounting to £351.68

799 Date of the next meeting

Council noted the date of the next meeting of 22nd February 2010.

Chairman.....
22nd February 2010