

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall, Bliss Gate on **Monday 26th November 2007 commencing at 7.00pm.**

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

Apologies were accepted from: Councillor Chris Price.

In attendance: Mr S Clee, Mrs I Fermin & Sergeant Chris Aimes.

453 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 23rd October 2007 and as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

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

- a) Mr Simmonds - Personal Interest in Agenda Item 4 - Application 07/1078 & Mr Brooks Prejudicial Application 07/1078.
- b) There were none.

455 Public Participation

There were no members of the public present but the chairman Councillor Godwin invited West Mercia Police to address the Council. Sergeant Aimes informed council of issues relating to the parish over the past 4 weeks.

456 County Councillor's Report

No report was provided. The Chairman agreed to contact County Councillor Campion and request if he could not attend Parish Council Meetings then a written report would be welcome.

457 Planning Matters:

Application No : 07/1061/FULL
Valid Date : 16/10/2007
Application for : Proposed agricultural access at MOORFIELD HOUSE,
HEIGHTINGTON, BEWDLEY, DY122XX.

RESOLVED to approve with no objections provided Worcestershire County Council Highways approve of the access.

Application No : 07/1042/FULL
Valid Date : 10/10/2007
Application for : Extensions & modifications at ELFIN GLEN, GORST HILL, ROCK,
KIDDERMINSTER, DY149YH.

RESOLVED to approve with no objections.

Application No : 07/1078/FULL

Valid Date : 23/10/2007

Application for : Independent annex within rear garden to accommodate full timer carer at RUSHMERE, BLISS GATE ROAD, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XS.

RESOLVED to approve provided the licence is for only two years.

Application No : 07/1086/FULL

Valid Date : 29/10/2007

Application for : Demolish existing property (including former public house) and construct 1no. two- storey dwelling at THE WOODMAN, RIBBESFORD, BEWDLEY, DY122TJ.

RESOLVED to approve with no objections.

458 Correspondence Sheet

Council noted the correspondence sheet.

459 Parish Magazine

Councillor Brooks would produce the report for the December edition and Councillor Hadler for January.

460 County Councillors Report

In the absence of County Councillor Campion there was no report.

461 Parish Awards 2008

Council discussed awarding parish awards for citizens in the parish who had contributed to parish life over many years. It was RESOLVED to award to Mr & Mrs Richard Lyes, Mr Pete Johnson and Mrs Fran Crackley awards for their work over many years involving Rock Scouts & Guides.

462 Emergency Planning Working Group

The council agreed to form an Emergency Planning Working Group with Councillors, Mrs Pain, Mrs Harvey, Perkins, Turner, Hadler & Simmonds. The Working Group would meet in early 2008 and report back its findings to a future Parish Council Meeting.

463 Elf Glen

The matter regarding Elf Glen was discussed and the Council RESOLVED to write to Wyre Forest District Council and record the following;

The land on their Index Map identified as 1293 has always been known to the Parish Council as being amenity land associated with the dwelling named Elfin Glen.

The Field separated from the above and identified as 0992 has always been agricultural land and the Parish Council recall the land being used for hay growing and being harvested over many years. Council also recalls the field being used as a paddock and for grazing.

Rock Parish Council further RESOLVED to object to the application for a Certificate of Lawful Use. The Council wishes to point out that a dwelling built as small as Elfin Glen currently is always had a small garden attached to it.

464 Parish Vacancy

The Parish Council RESOLVED to Co-opt Mrs Iris Fermin for the vacancy on the council with immediate affect. Mrs Fermin accepted the position and publicly signed the acceptance of office declaration which included the Code of Conduct Declaration.

465 Finances

The Parish Council RESOLVED to approve invoices totalling £1,050.00 for payment.

466 Land at Rectory Lane Rock

The Parish Council noted progress on the land at Rectory Lane Rock Exempt Minute 456 records the proceedings.

467 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 17th December 2007.

Chairman.....

17th December 2007