

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall, Bliss Gate on **Tuesday 29th June 2009 commencing at 7.00pm.**

Present: Councillors D Godwin (Chairman)
J C Simmonds Miss Morris
J Nott Mrs Pat Pain
G Watson J Turner
Pam Harvey C Price
C Hadler A Brooks

Apologies were accepted from: Councillor Mrs Iris Fermin, Keith Perkins & John Nott.

In attendance: Mr S Clee Clerk, Colin Link (Lengthsman), Mrs Georgina Cohen, Mrs Louise Southerland & PC Sergeant Chris Aimes

710 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting held on 26th May 2009 and as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

711 Presentation by Ms Georgina Cohen – Grow with the Wyre

The Chairman Douglas Godwin welcomed Ms Cohen & Mrs Southerland to the meeting. They both gave a presentation on the activities and progress being made with the 'Grow with the Wyre' £4 million project. The overall aims of the project are to restore the ancient Wyre Forest Landscapes and raise awareness of traditional skills and conserve and celebrate the cultural associations of the Wyre Forest.

The Chairman thanked the speakers for a very informative presentation. Sergeant Chris Aimes gave a verbal report on the reported crime statistics reported over the past month. It was noted that there had been an alarming increase in reported crime in the Heightington area.

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

- a) Councillor Douglas Godwin declared a prejudicial interest in all matters relating to planning & enforcement agenda items. Cllrs A Brookes Planning Application 045 & Chris Price personal interest in planning application 044.
- b) There were none.

713 County Councillor's Report

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

714 Planning Matters:

039 Application No: 09/0346/FULL
Valid Date: 18/05/2009
Application for: Erection of single storey timber tongue & groove shiplap cladded agricultural shed at LAND OFF HEIGHTINGTON ROAD, RIBBESFORD, BEWDLEY,

RESOLVED to approved with no objections.

040 Application No: 09/0358/FULL
Valid Date: 20/05/2009
Application for: Two storey side and single storey rear extensions at UPPER SNEAD FARM HOUSE, CLOWS TOP ROAD, PENSAX, ABBERLEY, WORCESTER, WR6 6AG.

It was RESOLVED to approve.

041 Application No: 09/0300/FULL (Revised)
Valid Date: 23/04/2009
Application for: Two storey side extension & detached double garage, along with new vehicular access at 1 QUARRY COTTAGES, WYRE FOREST, FAR FOREST, KIDDERMINSTER, DY148NR.

It was RESOLVED to approve.

042 Application No: 09/0374/FULL
Valid Date: 27/05/2009
Application for: Creation of new vehicular access & formation of new car parking area at ALTON NURSERIES, LONGBANK, BEWDLEY, DY122UL.

It was RESOLVED to approve this application by 5 votes to 3.

043 Application No: 09/0377/FULL
Valid Date: 29/05/2009
Application for: Proposed external alterations to existing dwelling at THE BREDONS, HEIGHTINGTON, BEWDLEY, DY122XT.

It was RESOLVED to approve this application.

044 Application No: 09/0392/FULL
Valid Date: 03/06/2009
Application for: Creation of 20 touring caravan pitches & erection of associated facilities block at LITTLE LAKES LEISURE LTD, LYE HEAD, BEWDLEY, DY122UZ.

It was RESOLVED to refuse this application. Council wished to recommend refusal to Wyre Forest District Council on access grounds. The added touring caravans would just add to an already busy rural lane. Council further wished to object to the loss of amenity area on the site for the siting of these touring caravans.

045 Application No: 09/0404/FULL
Valid Date: 11/06/2009
Application for: Use of existing stationary caravan by carer for two years at RUSHMERE, BLISS GATE ROAD, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XS.

It was RESOLVED to support this application provided it is for 2 years only and not used separately from the current landowners.

046 Application No: 09/0324/FULL (Revised)
Valid Date: 05/05/2009
Application for: Application for pitched roof to replace flat roof on existing accommodation at APRIL COTTAGE, MOPSONS CROSS LANE, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XL.

It was RESOLVED to approve this application.

047 Application No: 09/0416/TREE
Valid Date: 15/06/2009
Application for: Crown lift oak at OAK TREE BUNGALOW, KINLET ROAD, ROCK,
KIDDERMINSTER, DY149UE.

It was RESOLVED to approve this application. With a strict condition that the Wyre Forest District Council Trees Officer is in attendance when the crowning takes place.

048 Application No: 09/0432/FULL
Valid Date: 17/06/2009
Application for: Proposed rear extension. at MILLERDALE COTTAGE, ROCK,
KIDDERMINSTER, DY149YR.

It was REOLVED to approve this application.

715 Correspondence Sheet

Council noted the correspondence sheet.

716 Rock Village Hall

Council discussed the request for a planning application to be lodged in the name of the Parish Council for Rock Village Hall. It was RESOLVED to make this an agenda item in July following investigating the costs and work involved for the parish council before making a decision on this matter.

717 Parish Magazine

Today's report will be written by Councillor Gary Watson and Councillor John Turner in July.

718 Highways Matters

Council noted the continuing works being attended to following the Highways Meeting with Worcestershire County Council Highways Liaison Manager Dave Hunter on Monday 11th May 2009.

719 Finances

Invoices amounting to £2,624.53 were approved for payment. It was further noted the 2008-09 audited accounts had been inspected by Mr Keith Bannister and were subject to being approved tonight ready to be submitted to Messrs Clement Key of Birmingham.

It was RESOLVED to approve the accounts for 2008-09 and send to Clement Key.

720 Date of the next meeting

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.15hrs. The date of the next meeting being Monday 27th July 2009.

Chairman.....
27th July 2009