

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall on **Monday 23rd February 2015 commencing at 7.00pm.**

Present: Councillors Mr Andrew Croot (Chairman)
Miss Sue Morris Ms Iris Fermin
Douglas Godwin Jim Lawson
Alan Brooks David Nott
Mrs Pat Pain Chris Sankey
Keith Perkins Gary Watson

In attendance: Mr S Clee Clerk, Mr & Mrs Gerald Kincard, Emma Booton, John Booton, Kevin Smith, Tony Bannister, Ms C Edginton-White & Colin Link.

Apologies: Councillor Chris Price & Mrs P Harvey

In the absence of the Chairman the Vice Chairman Councillor Andrew Croot took the chair. He welcomed members of the public from Snead Common and stated we would consider their agenda item first after the public forum session.

The Chairman regrettably informed council Cllr Pam Harvey had today resigned as a member of the council earlier today. He also mentioned an invitation he had received from the Chairman of Bayton Parish Council Councillor Bob Blount inviting this council to a public meeting at Clows Top Village Hall on 3rd March 2015 to discuss the closure of Clow Top Post Office and General Store.

1541 Confirmation of the minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 26th January 2015 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1542 Declaration of Interest for a) The Meeting and b) Any Changes to be notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality;

There were none.

1543 Public Participation:

Mrs Emma Booton addressed council relating to Snead Common. She stated they had been in touch with Mr Mark Garnier MP and he had agreed to meet with them about the state of the road surface. The Chairman stated we have an agenda item for this item and all the facts can be discussed at that point shortly. The public forum closed at 7.25pm.

1544 Snead Common

The Chairman moved Snead Common to this point on the agenda. It was advised by the Clerk that following discussions and correspondence with Worcestershire County Council that the entire un-adopted road was within Malvern Hills District Area and that our parish boundary was the hedgerow to the north side of the track.

It was further reported that this road has been the subject of debate at Pensax Parish Council and Malvern Hills Highways Partnership Unit. The Clerk advised that Wyre Forest DC had confirmed only two dwellings out of 23 properties are within Wyre Forest District Council boundary area.

The Clerk advised the residents of Pensax to Contact County Councillor Ken Pollack and Member of Parliament Harriet Baldwin who were there official representatives. It was agreed a letter be sent to Pensax PC and Councillor Pollack informing them of this council's deliberation.

1545 Planning Matters:

005 Application Reference Number 15/0030/CERTE
Proposal: Use of land and outbuildings for recycling manufacture of furniture and construction and sale of sectional buildings
Site: WHYTEHOUSE FARM, GREENWAY, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SJ

It was RESOLVED to refuse this Certificate of Lawfulness on the grounds that the site has not been continuously used for at least the last 4 years.

006 Application No: 15/0035/FULL
Valid Date: 05/01/2015
Application for: Proposed live/work show house and associated features at OAK TREE FARM, KINLET ROAD, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149UE.

It was RESOLVED to recommend refusal as it was felt inappropriate development in the countryside.

007 Application No: 15/0052/FULL
Valid Date: 28/01/2015
Application for: Proposed Live/Work unit at CHERRY TREES, CHAPEL LANE, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XF.

It was RESOLVED to recommend refusal on the grounds that it is overdevelopment of the site and no evidence of work was given.

008 Application No: 15/0053/FULL
Valid Date: 02/02/2015
Application for: Proposed extensions to dwelling (Resubmission of 14/0592/FULL) at 26 RECTORY LANE, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149RS.

It was RESOLVED to support with no objections.

009 Application No: 15/0058/FULL
Valid Date: 29/01/2015
Application for: Provision of access track to serve dwelling and change of use to inclusion with domestic curtilage at SPRINGHILL COTTAGE, MARY DRAPER LANE, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XJ.

It was RESOLVED to support provided there was no objections from Highways Department.

1546 Update Sheet

There was no update sheet.

1547 County & District Councillor's Report

Councillor Godwin's report was circulated electronically and will feature in this month's parish newsletter. In the absence of County Councillor Campion there was no report.

1548 Parish Magazine

Councillor Fermin to write tonight's parish report and Councillor Alan Brooks in March.

1549 County Planning Application – The Mulberry Bush

The Council considered a Worcestershire County Council Planning Application No 14/000044 at The Mulberry Bush, Heightington Road. Council RESOLVED to support the retrospective planning application provided hard woodland of native trees are planted on the field adjoining Heightington Road.

1550 Accounts for Payment

- a) Accounts amounting to £360.00 were approved for payment.

1551 Date of the next Meeting

There being no other business it was noted the date of the next meeting would be held on 30th March 2015.

Chairman.....
30th March 2015