

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall on **Monday 24th November 2014 commencing at 7.00pm.**

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

In attendance: Mr S Clee Clerk, Mr Ray Blount, Mr John Linell, Mr John Nott, PC Steve Thomas & Colin Link.

Apologies: Councillor Mrs Pat Pain

1512 Confirmation of the minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 27th October 2014 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1513 Declaration of Interest for a) The Meeting and b) Any Changes to be notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality;

No declarations made.

1514 Public Participation:

Mr Ray Blount updated council on his meeting and discussions with the Enforcement Officer at Wyre Forest District Council relating to the field gate that as appeared opposite Buckeridge Lane on Callow Hill. PC Steve Thomas updated council on matters relating to West Mercia Police. Mr John Nott informed council the highway issues at Rock Church had now been resolved and he was talking to Mr David Hunter of Worcestershire County Council Highways relating to the replacement of the plastic white bollards.

1515 Planning Matters:

033 Application No: 14/0608/TREE
Valid Date: 20/10/2014
Application for: Fell two Oak and crown lift one Oak to 7 metres at ROUSBINE BUNGALOW, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149DB.

RESOLVED to approve.

034 Application No: 14/0611/FULL
Valid Date: 13/10/2014
Application for: Proposed re-siting and re-design of store; re-positioning of Fourth cabin as approved under 07/0866/FULL with permanent residential occupation for owners at FOREST VIEW RETREAT, CHAPEL LANE, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XF.

RESOLVED to refuse. These are holiday lets and Council does not support permanent residential use.

035 Application No: 14/0626/FULL
Valid Date: 27/10/2014
Application for: Two storey extension and alterations after demolition of existing extensions at STONE HOUSE FARM, CROSS BANK, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XN.

RESOLVED to approve.

1516 Update Sheet

The update sheet relating to Thank You letters from many of the organisations council had previously given grants to.

1517 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.

1518 Parish Magazine

It was noted Mrs Harvey would provide today's Parish Magazine report and Councillor Mr Chris Price in December.

1519 Old Railway Line – Wyre Forest

The Council were presented with a report from Councillor Ms Iris Fermin relating to the Old Railway Line and redundant tracks between PRW 78 to 83. She had held discussions with Bewdley Town Council who had a meeting arranged for Tuesday 9th December 2014 in the Guildhall when a presentation was being made relating to the old track by owners of the track.

1520 Rock Parish Plan

The Council were presented with a report from Councillor Andrew Croot relating to our current local plan and the need to refresh it. It was agreed a working group be set up Chaired by Councillor Croot and comprising Councillors Price, Ms Fermin, Godwin & Pam Harvey. Their findings would be reported back to a future meeting.

1521 Accounts for Payment

- a) Accounts amounting to £1,298.35 were approved for payment.
- b) Council further agreed to give a donation of £50.00 to Far Forest Baptist Church for their help and support during the Remembrance Day Service.
- c) Council further resolved to pay Churchyard Grants to Rock & Heightington & Far Forest Churches £250.00 each towards grass cutting for the next season.
- d) The Budget Review recommendations for the 2015-2016 precept was discussed following discussions it was resolved to delay a decision until the December meeting following further investigations relating to the ceasing of Annual External Audit and there fees and charges for Parishes trading below £25,000 per annum.

1522 Date of the next Meeting

There being no other business it was noted the date of the next meeting would be held on 15th December 2014.

Chairman.....

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