

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall on **Monday 20th May 2013 commencing at 7.00pm.**

Present: Councillors Mr Christopher Price (Chairman)
Miss Sue Morris Ms Chris Sankey
A Brooks K Perkins
Ms Iris Fermin Jim Lawson
D Nott Mrs Pam Harvey
Douglas Godwin Mrs Pat Pain
Gary Watson

In attendance: Mr S Clee Clerk, Mr John Collett, Mrs Maureen Collett, Mrs Sheila Ward, Mr Raymond Blount, Councillor Robert Adams, Councillor Mrs Francis Oborski, Councillor Mike Price, Mr John Nott, Mrs Sheila Nott, Ms Lesley Field, Ms Helen Kingdon, Mrs Rosemary Dalley, Mr Christopher Smith, Mr William Elliott, Mrs F M Elliott & Mr Colin Link Lengthsman.

Apologies: Councillor Andrew Croot

1315 Election of Chairman & Vice Chairman

Councillor Christopher Price was elected Chairman and Alan Brooks Vice Chairman

1316 Confirmation of the minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 29th April 2013 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1317 Declaration of Interest for a) The Meeting and b) Any Changes to be notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality;

- a) None.
- b) None.

1318 Presentation of Awards

The Chairman Councillor Price welcomed Worcestershire County Council Chairman Rob Adams and Wyre Forest District Council Chairman Mrs Francis Oborski. Councillor Price invited Mr Adams to present a certificate of recognition and a Woodford 1010 pocket watch to former Councillor Mr John Nott to celebrate 36 years serving the people of Rock on this council to the meeting.

Mr Nott thanked the assembled members and former chairman for their generosity and kindness in his decision to retire from the council. Mr & Mrs Nott then cut a cake and invited all present to mark this occasion. The meeting resumed at the end of the celebrations.

1319 Planning Matters:

016 Application No: 13/0199/FULL
Valid Date: 22/04/2013
Application for: Demolition of existing garage & store and erection of replacement garage & store at DOVE DALE HOUSE, LONGBANK, BEWDLEY, DY122UN.

RESOLVED to approve.

017 Application No: 13/0230/FULL

Valid Date: 07/05/2013

Application for: Demolition of existing flat roof extension and erection of replacement pitched roof extension at 14 FOREST HOUSES, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XQ.

RESOLVED to approve.

1320 County & District Councillor's Report

Councillor Godwin's report was circulated electronically and will feature in this month's parish newsletter. There was no report from County Councillor Campion.

1321 Correspondence Sheet

Council noted the updated correspondence sheet.

1322 Parish News Report

It was noted Councillor Jim Lawson would do today's report for the Parish Magazine and Cllr Andrew Croot in June.

1323 CALC Appointments

Councillor Lawson & Ms Iris Fermin were appointed to CALC.

1324 Bliss Gates Playing Fields Committee

Councillors Miss Sue Morris & Jim Lawson were appointed to the Bliss Gates Playing Fields Committee.

1325 Appointment to Committees

- a) Finance Working Group (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Councillor Perkins, Mrs Pain, Chris Sankey, Sue Morris & Councillor Godwin when required)
- b) Emergency Working Group (Chairman, Councillors Perkins, Mrs Pain, Mrs Harvey & Mr Nott)
- c) Planning & Parish Plan (Councillors Price, Brooks, Croot, Ms Fermin, Godwin & Mrs Harvey)
- d) Staffing Committee (Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Cllr Croot, Watson & Ms Sankey)

1326 Dates for Meetings 2013

The list of meetings dates circulated was approved for 2013-14.

1327 Parish Footways

Councillor Perkins stated the footpath along the A4117 is overgrown and needs the adjoining hedgerow cut back. It was suggested the lengthman Mr Colin Link carry out an audit of all footpaths and footways within the parish and report back his findings.

1328 Accounts for Payment

It was RESOLVED to approve payment of invoices amounting to £317.47.

1329 Exclusion of Press & Public

The council resolved to move the exclusion order in relationship to the matters they wished to discuss relating to Plough Lane Far Forest.

Councillor Godwin informed the council Severn Trent had a small sum of Monies £2,500 to be offered towards the resurfacing of Plough Lane followings works they had taken out. He stated County Councillor John Campion had offered £2,000 and local resident Peter Ray had confirmed to Councillor Godwin the residents in part of the lane had offered £2,000. Councillor Godwin stated £8,000 was required to resurface the lane and asked the Parish Council to consider supporting such a scheme.

Cllr Brooks asked if all the residents of Plough Lane (35 dwellings) had contributed to the scheme? Councillor Godwin said no. Councillor Mrs Pain proposed we have a meeting with all the residents of Plough Lane to explain the current situation. It was further requested we seek clarification from CALC towards our legal responsibilities and use of public money on an Un-adopted Highway.

1330 Date of the next meeting

It was noted the date of the next meeting will take place on Monday 24th June 2013 to be held at Callow Hill Methodist Hall, Callow Hill.

Chairman.....
24th June 2013