

# ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall on **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2016 commencing at 7.00pm.**

**Present:** Councillors Mr Andrew Croot (Chairman)  
Jim Lawson Chris Sankey  
Pat Pain David Nott  
Ms Sue Morris Douglas Godwin  
Alan Brooks

**In attendance:** Mr S Clee Clerk, Mr & Mrs Rod Wilson, PC Stephen Thomas & PSCO Nathan Chater.

**Apologies:** Keith Perkins, Christopher Price, Sandra Woodhouse, Iris Fermin & Gary Watson

## **1687 Confirmation of the Minutes**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

## **1688 Declaration of Interest for a) The Meeting and b) Any Changes to be notified to the Registers of Interests and Gifts & Hospitality;**

- A) There were none.
- B) There were none.

## **1689 Public Participation:**

PC Stephen Thomas discussed West Mercia's Idea for Smart Water to mark your property and valuable items in the event they are stolen they can be identified and returned to owners. The Scheme has been rolled out in Cleobury Mortimer and Chaddesley Corbett recently to great success. West Mercia Police could not fund the costs on their own and would like to work in partnership with Parish Councils. They would like to pilot a scheme in the Rock Area. It was suggested they hosted a meet the residents evening and invited residents along which the Parish Council supported. The PC stated they would look at funding opportunities.

## **1690 Planning Matters:**

036 Application No: 16/0080/FULL  
Valid Date: 15/02/2016  
Application for: Installation of external wall insulation to all elevations of the property in a neutral colour (white, cream, grey) at RETBURN, BUCKERIDGE BANK, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149DN.

RESOLVED to approve.

037 Application Reference Number 16/0082/CERTE  
Proposal: Certificate of Lawfulness: Extensions to property construction in excess of 4 years Site: THE WARREN, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149YP

RESOLVED to approve.

038 Application No: 16/0093/FULL  
Valid Date: 26/02/2016  
Application for: Demolition of existing single storey extension. Proposed two storey rear extension and single storey side extension at HILLCREST, TENBURY ROAD, CLOWS TOP, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149HQ.

RESOLVED to approve.

039 Application No: 16/0099/FULL  
Valid Date: 25/02/2016  
Application for: Removal of Agricultural Occupancy Condition (Condition 4 of Planning Permission WF/0025/00) at BROOK FARM, HEIGHTINGTON ROAD, HEIGHTINGTON, BEWDLEY, DY122YR.

The council RESOLVED to object to this application. This dwelling was originally approved specifically for agricultural use connected with the farm and council believed it should still remain so. It should not be separated from the existing dwelling(s) or site usage for what it was originally approved for.

040 Application No: 16/0117/FULL  
Valid Date: 25/02/2016  
Application for: Replacement of garage roof for pitched roof at BARNFIELD, ROCK CROSS, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SF.

RESOLVED to approve.

### **1691 Update Sheet**

Members noted the update sheet and discussed the request from the RBL for the insertion of Mr Arthur Davis name to be added to the War Memorial. It was noted Mr Davis had served in the Great War 1914-18 and returned home only to pass away in April 1921 from gas poisoning. Council ratified their position that the War Memorial should contain names of serving military personnel killed in battle and not afterwards.

### **1692 County & District Councillor's Report**

District Councillor Jenny Greener sent apologies due to Easter holidays. There was no report County Councillor Campion.

### **1693 Parish Magazine**

Councillor Douglas Godwin was writing tonight's report and Councillor Keith Perkins in April.

### **1694 Tesco's Grant Application**

The Clerk was pleased to report his application for grant aid from Tesco's raised by their 5p Plastic Bag Charges had been voted 3<sup>rd</sup> in the recent store ballot. Tesco's had confirmed our bid had been awarded £8,000.

### **1695 Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

Following the discussions at the last meeting it was RESOLVED to proceed with a mature Oak Tree to be procured from Messrs Matthews of Tenbury and plant it on our land at Rectory Lane in place of the Silver Birch Tree we had to remove in 2013. A plaque and little unveiling ceremony would be arranged in due course.

### **1696 Accounts for Payment**

- a) Accounts amounting to £4,309.01 were approved for payment as recorded on the payments spreadsheet.
- b) The Income & Expenditure Sheets ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 were approved.
- c) It was noted Grant Thornton had sent Audit Papers for 2015-16.
- d) Council noted the Clerks Localism bid to WFDC for £950 towards additional litter bins.

### **1697 Date of the next Meeting**

There being no other business it was noted the date of the next meeting would be held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2016. The Clerk advised all Councillors to complete their Election Nomination Forms ASAP.

Chairman.....  
25<sup>th</sup> April 2016