

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Parish Council AGM Meeting of the Rock Parish Council held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall on **Monday 26th September 2016 commencing at 7.00pm.**

Present: Councillors Andrew Croot (Chairman)
Jim Lawson Chris Sankey
Pat Pain Christopher Price
Ms Sue Morris Calne Edginton White
Richard Williams Sandra Woodhouse
David Nott Alan Brooks

In attendance: Mr S Clee Clerk, District Councillor Mr Rod Wilson, Lengthsman Colin Link, and 6 members of the public.

Apologies: Gary Watson & D Godwin.

1745 Confirmation of the Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 25th July 2016 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1746 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.

1747 Public Participation:

There was none.

1748 Planning Matters:

- 009 Application No: 16/0441/FULL
Application for: 20 starter homes and other ancillary works at LAND AT WHYTEHOUSE FARM, GREENWAY, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SJ. (Letters attached from members of the public yellow paper)
RESOLVED to refuse this application due to the lack of infrastructure, the access road, no spaces within the local primary schools. Council believed this location is not sustainable and it is too remote for starter homes. Drainage, water and sewage were also cited as being a major problem. Reference was made to the Parish Housing Needs Survey which identified a need for Bungalows to be build so local residents could downsize.
- 010 Application Reference Number 16/0436/CERTE
Proposal: Certificate of Lawfulness: Occupation of property in breach of condition 3 of planning permission WF.797/92 (Agricultural Occupancy) in excess of 10 years Site: MICKLE CASTLE COTTAGE, GREENWAY, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SW
RESOLVED to approve.
- 011 Application No: 16/0461/FULL
Application for: Creation of a vehicular access and erection of gate/fence at CONNINGSWICK FARM, GREENWAY, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SG.
RESOLVED to approve.
- 012 Application No: 16/0462/FULL
Application for: Erection of 3 bay timber clad car port at APRIL COTTAGE, CALLOW HILL, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XL.

RESOLVED to approve.

- 013 Application No: 16/0501/S73
Application for: S73 Application to remove Condition 1 of Planning Permission 14/0061/FULL to allow for permanent retention of wooden building to house (A1) shop at COLLIERS FARM SHOP, TENBURY ROAD, CLOWS TOP, KIDDERMINSTER, DY14 9HA.

RESOLVED to approve.

- 014 Application No: 16/0512/FULL
Application for: Proposed Racehorse Training Facility, gallops and associated building for tack/feed storage and groom accommodation. at ROCK FARM, ROCK CROSS, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SA.

RESOLVED to approve.

- 015 Application No: 16/0528/FULL
Valid Date: 05/09/2016
Application for: Proposed 2No. Industrial units at BEWDLEY BUSINESS PARK, LONG BANK, BEWDLEY, DY122TZ.

RESOLVED to approve.

- 016 Application No: 16/0537/OUTL
Valid Date: 09/09/2016
Application for: Outline Planning Permission for an Agricultural Workers Dwelling at BRANSLEY FARM, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149YJ.

RESOLVED to approve.

1749 Update Sheet

The update sheet listing all the recent Wyre Forest Planning Decisions was noted.

1750 County & District Councillor's Report

District Councillor Rod Wilson reported the New Wyre Forest Leisure Centre and the New Medical Centre in Bewdley had opened. There was a problem with fly tipping along the Ribbesford Road and he was actively involved with the planning application to build 195 houses in a field off Baldwin Road in Bewdley. A recent Highways Meeting had taken place in far Forest with the County Council regarding Speeding Motorists.

1751 Parish Magazine

Councillor Andrew Croot was writing tonight's report and Councillor Gary Watson in October.

1752 Tesco's Grant Bliss Gate Play Field

The Clerk informed Council Streetscape of Selby who had been awarded the contract for the improvement works at Bliss Gate Play Area had withdrawn at the last minute. This followed a site visit by their Sub Contractors from Bradford who clearly had underestimated the nature of the works.

The Clerk had contacted the Company who had come second in the tender process namely Play Smart and they had revised their original quotation and following discussions had agreed to proceed with the works. Their revised quotation was slightly higher than the original supplier however with grants from third parties was still achievable. They anticipate a commencement date starting 17th October 2016.

1753 West Mercia Police - Smart Water

The Chairman stated the Finance Committee had met and in principal the scheme was affordable. He stated we would like to create an Implementation Working Group and asked Councillors to let him know if they wished to sit on the group.

1754 Severn Trent Works – Sugars Lane

Council noted the Planning Application received from Worcestershire County Council for works by Severn Trent in Sugars Lane.

1755 Oak Leaf Rise – Play Area

The Clerk had finally received all the information from Wyre Forest District Council relating to the Play Area in Oak Leaf Rise and the Sec 136 Monies available to maintain it. Following a discussion it was RESOLVED to write to Wyre Forest District Council and request the Play Area is transferred from their ownership into the name of Rock Parish Council and the funding be transferred to the RPC to maintain and spend as and when required.

1756 Duke William – Community Asset

Council noted the letter from Wyre Forest District Council informing us a member of the public had requested the Duke William Public House be registered as a Community Asset. It was RESOLVED to write to WFDC giving our support to this proposal.

1757 Accounts for Payment

- a) Accounts amounting to £5457.76 were approved for payment as recorded on the payments spreadsheet.
- b) Income and Expenditure spreadsheets for August & September 2016-17 were noted.
- c) It was noted an Unqualified Audit had been received from Messrs Grant Thornton.

1758 Date of the next Meeting

There being no other business the meeting ended at 8.45pm. It was noted the date of the next meeting would be held on Monday 31st October 2016.

Chairman.....
31st October 2016