

## ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Rock Parish Council Meeting held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2018 commencing at 7.00pm.**

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

**In attendance:** Mr S Clew Clerk, Mr Michael Harris, Mr Nick Harris, PCSO Toby Stephenson & Mr Colin Link Lengthsman.

**Apologies:** Councillors Alan Brooks & District Councillor Rod Wilson.

### 1909 Confirmation of the Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

### 1910 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.

### 1911 Public Participation:

PCSO Toby Stephenson addressed council. He reported the parish had suffered 2 shed break ins and 2 vehicle break ins since Christmas. He confirmed a major RTA had occurred outside the West Midland Safari Park at 5am this morning and a fatality had occurred with major traffic congestion throughout the Wyre Forest as the A456 was closed till 11am.

### 1912 Planning Matters:

035	17/0767/FULL	Application for: Front porch at 6 OAKLEAF RISE, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149AE  RESOLVED to support.
036	17/0777/FULL	EXTENSIONS TO SIDE AND REAR, NEW PORCH AND DETACHED GARAGE at ALTON COTTAGE, CALLOW HILL, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149XH.  RESOLVED to support.
037	17/0796	Change of use - Garage conversion and refurbishment of first floor accommodation (associate works to include upgrading existing walls, replacement single storey roof and side extension. at ALMA HOUSE, PORCHBROOK, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149RZ.  RESOLVED to support.
038	18/0037/FULL	Erection of No2 B1 Light Industrial Units at ALTON WORKS, LONGBANK, BEWDLEY, DY122UL.  RESOLVED to support.

Douglas Godwin arrived at 7.20pm.

### **1913 Correspondence & Update Sheet**

The Clerk advised the Council that Mr Alex Shears of Shrewsbury had appeared before Kidderminster Magistrates on 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 following his Road Traffic Accident outside Londis Stores on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2017 when Parish Council Bollards were destroyed. Mr Sears was fined £584.00 together with £90.00 court costs and 6 penalty points on his licence.

The Police have issued the Clerk with his contact details and following a debate it was suggested we write to Mr Sears in the first instance seeking compensation for the replacement of our Bollards.

### **1914 County & District Councillor's Report**

County Councillor Rebecca Vale reported the road surface at Clows Top had been reported to her as being inadequate she stated it was being investigated. She further reported that Dark Lane is on the 2017-18 works list for being resurfaced. She was asked what was happening to the Enforcement of Caravan Parks during the winter period within our Parish and she suggested the Cabinet Member for Planning at Wyre Forest DC Councillor Ian Hardiman be invited to a future meeting to explain what if any action Wyre Forest DC are doing to ensure the Parks are following the Licensing Regulations.

### **1915 Parish Magazine**

Councillor Alistair Scott is writing tonight's report for the Parish Magazine and Councillor Sue Morris in February.

### **1916 Battle's Over – A Nations Tribute 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Councillor Richard Williams updated members on his recent conversations with Mr Richard Coen Chairman of Heightington Village Hall. Mr Coen was very interested in supporting the events being held nationally and liked the idea of a Beacon being lit. Work was continuing and Councillor Williams will report back when additional information is available and costs associated for a beacon.

### **1917 Apprenticeship Scheme**

In Councillor Alan Brooks absence the Clerk updated Council on the current situation with our Apprentice. She had left employment with a Bewdley salon and moved to a Kidderminster Salon where they offered more support during her apprenticeship and training process.

Kidderminster College had spoken with the clerk and confirmed she was enjoying her new employers and had really settled in.

### **1918 Grant Application Policy**

The Council RESOLVED to adopt the Grants Application Policy RPC/005/FC previously circulated and publish them on the Parish Council website.

### **1919 Accounts for Payment**

- a) Accounts amounting to £1,982.00 were approved for payment as recorded on the payments spreadsheet.
- b) Council noted the income & expenditure sheets to date.

### **1920 Date of the next Meeting**

There being no other business the meeting ended at 19.45pm. The next meeting will be held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Chairman.....  
26th February 2018