

ROCK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Rock Parish Council Meeting held in Callow Hill Methodist Hall on **Monday 30th July 2018 commencing at 7.00pm.**

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

In attendance: Mr S Clee Clerk, Mr & Mrs Peace, Mr & Mrs Medley.

Apologies: Councillor Douglas Godwin, Colin Link & District Councillor Nick Harris.

1983 Confirmation of the Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 26th June 2018 as previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.

1984 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.

1985 Public Participation:

Mr & Mrs Stuart Peace and Mr & Mrs John Medley addressed Council relating to Planning Application No WF/18/0427/Full for a track & hard standing on land behind their respective properties.

Both residents had been in constant touch with the Planning Department and Enforcement Officer at Wyre Forest DC since the construction works commenced in February this year. A septic tank was installed beneath the ground and a water main has been installed prior to any consultation or advice from WFDC. Both families were not against the 5 acres being used for agricultural use but were concerned that there may be hidden motives for a partial track across part of the land together with a substantial concrete hard standing being installed, the size of a Log Cabin!

The Chairman thanked both families for alerting the Council to this application and for allowing us to visit their property for a site visit last week.

West Mercia Police had also sent a written report. The Clerk read out three minor incidents of break-ins since the last meeting and a major incident, on 30th June 2018, along the Heightington Road, involving a car and 4 young people.

The car hit a telegraph pole and ended up, within an adjoining field, on its roof. A young man was pronounced deceased at the scene. A 28 year old man, 24 year old man and 22 year old woman have been arrested in connection with the incident. Residents with any local information are urged to call 101 quoting crime No 0553s.

1986 County & District Councillor's Report

District Councillor Harris had sent a written report circulated prior to the meeting. County Councillor Vale did not attend nor did we receive a report. Councillor Richard Williams update Council about arranging for a Peal of bells at Rock church on 11th November at 7:00 pm for 20 minutes to mark the end of hostilities in WW1.

1987 Planning Matters:

010 18/0402/FULL Application for: Retrospective replacement of 2 No. Side windows, 4No. French doors and replacement of front door to Grade II Listed Building. at GREENWAY HOUSE, GREENWAY, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SN

RESOLVED to support.

011 18/0411/FULL Application for: Erection of two car garage and garden store at BLISS GATE HOUSE, HEIGHTINGTON ROAD, ROCK, KIDDERMINSTER, DY149SX.

RESOLVED to recommend refusal due to lack of information and drawings provided.

012 18/0413/Full Erection of four houses, following the demolition of part of the existing glass houses at Alton Nurseries, Long Bank, Bewdley

RESOLVED to support provided the land remaining on the site is retained for employment use as specified within the approved and emerging Local Plan.

013 18/0427/FULL Application for: Provision of track and hardstanding at SOUTH HURTLE HILL TOP, TROUGH, HURTLE HILL FARM, HEIGHTINGTON, BEWDLEY, DY122YH.

RESOLVED to recommend refusal. The land is agricultural use only. No documentation had been submitted with the plans to justify a partial track being constructed. The unauthorised activity had been taking place since February 2018 on this site and the PC urged enforcement action be taken by WFDC.

1988 Local Bus Service

Cllr Sandra Woodhouse reported that she had been contacted by a parishioner about the article in the previous edition of The Rock and District News. It was explained that one of our functions was to hear what people said about any issue and to try to resolve it. It had previously been brought to the P.C's attention that bus timetables were not always scheduled to enable workers, who relied on public transport, to catch an early bus to get to work or to return home at the end of the working day. Naturally, it would be good for everyone if the bus companies could run more scheduled services but sometimes this is not possible because of low passenger numbers and economic considerations. However, if this is not shared with the bus company and/or other parishioners, then a need may go unidentified. Like all services, in these times of economic cut backs, the more it is used the least likely it is to be axed.

1989 Parish Magazine

Councillor Alan Brooks is writing tonight's report for the Parish Magazine and Councillor Douglas Godwin in September

1990 Accounts for Payment

- a) Accounts amounting to £1,435.87 were approved for payment as recorded on the payments spreadsheet.*
- b) Council noted the income & expenditure sheets to date for 2018-19.*

1991 Date of the next Meeting

There being no other business the meeting ended at 19.47pm. The next meeting will be held on Monday 24th September 2018.

*Chairman.....
24th September 2018*