

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF ROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD  
ON MONDAY, 2<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2009, AT 7.30 P.M.  
AT ROCESTER VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Howard(Chair), Cllr Atkins, Cllr Austin, Cllr Barlow, Cllr Podmore, Cllr Reynolds, Cllr Roberts and Yorke.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ms S Farnell (Clerk), Jim Wade (JCB Academy) Chris Grocock (Community & Learning Partnership)

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Gallier

**004/09 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Chris Grocock from the Community & Learning Partnership discussed the proposals for the development of a Children's Centre development on the site adjacent to the village hall. The Councillor's agreed in principal to the development. Mr Grocock asked the clerk to e-mail him confirming the council's decision. Cllr Yorke asked Mr Grocock to e-mail the clerk an example of a lease for discussion at the next parish Council meeting.

Jim Wade the new principal of the JCB Academy introduced himself to the Parish Council. He said that year 10 pupils would be starting in September 2010. Bowmer Kirkland are hoping to deliver a newsletter to residents by the end of this week. The roadworks are due to start this summer, the work on the Mill Race will also start in June and there will be liaison with residents. Cllr Atkins said that the JCB Academy should be included in the Vital Village questionnaire.

**005/09 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 1<sup>ST</sup> December 2008 having been circulated, and be confirmed as a correct and true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr. Reynolds and seconded by Cllr. Barlow.

That the Minutes of the Precept meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009 having been circulated, and be confirmed as a correct and true record and signed by the Chairman, Proposed by Cllr Yorke and seconded by Cllr Roberts.

**006/09 FINANCIAL REPORT**

That authority be given for cheques to be issued in respect of the invoices detailed on the Appendix to be signed. Proposed by Cllr Barlow Seconded by Cllr Yorke .

The clerk reported that the fine money being paid to the Village Hall for the damage to CCTV cameras is actually being paid to Rocester Parish Council. Cllr Atkins proposed that the cheques are paid into the bank and the money refunded to Rocester Village Hall.

**007/09 PLANNING**

No Planning Applications were received

## **008/09 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION**

- a) Severn Trent Water – Letter re: Invoice for clearing of culvert- Reply to line manger above Emma Whitehead refuting her claim, also contact Richard Rayson and SPCA for legal advice.
- b) Community Council of Staffordshire – Diary of village festivals and events
- c) SCC – Dove First School – Governor vacancies – Cllr Barlow volunteered.

## **009/09 BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Both councils are increasing council tax by 3.5%. The blue, grey and brown bin system comes into operation in April.

Stubwood Tankers have had an enforcement order put on the ground.

The County Council elections are in June. They are building schools for the future in Tamworth and there are developments in adult care. Alton Towers have abandoned the Eastern Access Road completely. Mike Kerrigan.

The Riversfield Drive development is being officially opened on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

## **010/09 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

- a) ESBC- Parish Councils Forum – Notice of meeting
- b) Communities and local Government – Consultation Document

## **011/09 VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Not in attendance

## **012/09 PARISH PLAN**

Cllr Yorke reported that a meeting had taken place and it had been agreed to do two parish plans. Cllr Atkins had put in £500 from the Wasp fund, there was also £500 each from Rocester and Denstone Parish Council's. Cllr Yorke is to forward the minutes to the clerk for distribution.

## **013/09 OUTSTANDING ISSUES**

The Outstanding Issues list was distributed and discussed.

## **014/09 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council, is to be held on Monday, 9th March 2009 at 7.30 p.m. in Rocester Village Hall.

## **EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

### **RESOLVED: -**

That, pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business as it involved the likely disclosure of information which, in the opinion of the Council, would be prejudicial to the public interest and/or is of a confidential nature.

IN PRIVATE

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.05pm

CHAIRMAN