

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF ROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD  
ON MONDAY, 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2015 AT 19.30 HRS  
AT ROCESTER VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. Atkins, Green, Barlow, Paxton, Podmore and Woodward

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ms S Farnell (Clerk), Geoff Aris, Kim Seaton, Joy and Ken Sutton, Will Thomson.

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr. Bietkowski and Cllr. Hollis

**108/15 MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the monthly meeting of the Council held on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2015 having been circulated, and be confirmed as a correct and true record and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr. Green and seconded by Cllr. Woodward.

**109/15 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Geoff Aris attended the meeting to discuss the feasibility of introducing an Engineering Project Club. It was suggested that Geoff contacts the JCB Academy and asks for assistance with this project. Cllr. Atkins asked the clerk to write a letter to JCB Academy to inform them that the Parish Council supports this idea.

**110/15 FINANCIAL REPORT**

That authority is given for cheques to be issued in respect of the invoices detailed on the Appendix to be signed. Proposed by Cllr Paxton and seconded by Cllr. Barlow

It was agreed that the precept meeting will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2016. The accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015 are to be sent to all councillors.

**111/15 PLANNING**

- a) Applications to be considered by the Parish Council**
- i. P/2015/01598 – Doveflats Farm, Barrowhill, Rocester – Prior approval for the conversion of an agricultural building to a dwelling – No objections
  - ii. Land rear of Riversholme, High Street, Rocester – Erection of a terrace of three dwellings and a pair of semi-detached dwellings as retirement homes and construction of vehicular access – No objections to the plans for the buildings but have concerns about the unauthorised parking around the entrance and request that there is a condition or double yellow lines around the entrance.
  - iii. Land adjacent to Millholme, Mill Street, Rocester – Erection of a detached two storey building for use as apprentice

teaching block- Concerns were raised about the modern design in a conservation area and the removal of trees. It will create an increase in traffic flow students and deliveries and car parking. Planning permission has been granted for four houses to be built on the plot adjacent to this sight. No objections to JCB Academy's success but don't believe that this is the correct sight for this building. There could be opportunities for this to be situated on the new Ryecroft site. There were also concerns raised about noise pollution.

- iv. 3 West View, Rocester – Erection of a single storey rear extension – No objections

**b) Applications Granted by East Staffordshire Borough Council**

- i. P/2015/01032 – Land to the east of Nabb Lane, Rocester – Siting of 5MW Solar Farm and Ancillary Buildings
- ii. P/2015/00946 -Woodseat Level, Rocester – Diversion of Public Footpaths 27,45 & 46
- iii. P/2015/01354 - Land North East of Woodseat Grove, Rocester – Formation of menage with associated fencing
- iv. P/2015/01324 – Mince Pie Hall, Rocester – Demolition of existing barn/fuel store to facilitate the erection of a detached building

**112/15 COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

The Local Community Fund bids have finished. The application for funding for the Rocester Christmas Lights project has been approved. Uttoxeter Deal meeting went well.

A50 starts in the New Year.

**113/15 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT**

The Borough Councillor was not in attendance.

**114/15 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION**

- i. SCC – Proposed speed limit change Ashbourne Road- Request 20mph safety zone with appropriate signage and flashing signs during pick up and drop off times.

**115/15 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS FOR INFORMATION**

- i. Amey, Staffordshire – Update on flooding on Church Lane/ Ashbourne Rd Junction
- ii. St Michaels Church – Thank You letter for the gift of the WW1 Poppies.
- iii. Richard Rayson Email – Update on the installation of bollards outside the Red Lion Public House.

**116/15 VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The cleaner has finished and there is a temporary cleaner in place. There are a few bookings for the New Year. The clerk said that she would start and report on the booking situation at future meetings.

**117/15 PARISH COUNCILLORS CONTACT DETAILS/ SCC WEB-SITE**

The publication of parish Councillors contact details on the Parish Council web-site was discussed. It was agreed that the Chair, Vice-chair and Parish Clerks details should be published on the web-site.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council, is to be held on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 7.30 p.m. at 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 Chair closed the meeting at 21.45 hrs.

CHAIRMAN