

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF ROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL HELD
ON MONDAY, 2nd JULY 2012 AT 7.30 P.M.
AT ROCESTER VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT: Cllr. Barlow, Cllr. Green, Cllr. Gregory, Cllr. Hollis, Cllr. Le Blanc, Cllr. Sutton and Cllr. Yorke.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms S Farnell (Clerk)

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Atkins, Cllr. Paxton

062/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were in attendance.

063/12 MINUTES

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the monthly meeting of the Council held on 11th June 2012 having been circulated, and be confirmed as a correct and true record and signed by the Cllr. Yorke. Proposed by Cllr. Barlow and seconded by Cllr. Green.

064/12 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 Barlow and seconded by Cllr. Green.

The following quotations were read out by the clerk:

A Weetman – Mill Street Garden – For pruning trees and supplying chipped bark for the area. The cost would be £120. Cllr Barlow proposed that this quote be accepted, seconded by Cllr Green.

RSS – Playing Fields Equipment – The quote of £1512.82 was discussed. The clerk reported that she had spoken to Cllr. Atkins regarding the quote and he had suggested applying for grants towards the cost of the remedial work, suggesting the cost is split three ways between Staffordshire County Council, ESBC (WASP) and Rocester Parish Council. Cllr. Barlow proposed that the quote be accepted and the grants applied for. All councillors were in favour.

Whilst the playing fields were being discussed the clerk was asked to contact the Community Warden and request visits to the playing fields as there were concerns over the number of dogs being walked in the fields. Cllr. Green said he would let the clerk know approximate times when it would be best for the warden to attend.

The clerk requested authority to issue the wages cheques at the end of July as the council would be in recess for the summer. Cllr. Barlow proposed that the wages be paid, all councillors were in favour.

065/12 PLANNING

Granted

P/2012/00498/JPM – JCB Arena, Grandstand, Rocester, - Erection of extension to Grandstand.

066/12 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRING A DECISION

- 1) Kevin Bussey – Request for help and ideas for Summer Arts Festival 2013 – Cllr. Green and Cllr. Yorke viewed their interest. Cllr. Green is to contact Kevin Bussey to discuss the possibility of using the village hall.

067/12 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

- 1) ESBC – Reply to letter from Rocester Parish Council relating to signage on shops.

068/12 COUNTY COUNCILLOR’S REPORT

The County Councillor was not in attendance.

069/12 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

The Borough Councillor was not in attendance.

070/12 ROCESTER VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Cllr. Green reported that the cooker had broken down and the worktops had been damaged by the youth group. The youth service has agreed to pay for the damage and the kitchen is now being kept locked. Future Events - 1980 s disco – 15th July 2012, Barn Dance – 18th August 2012, Rocesters Got Talent in October and a Christmas Show later in the year.

071/12 Bulls Entry

The state of the path in Bulls Entry was discussed, it was agreed by all councillors to ask Andy Weetman for a quote to strim the path. Cllr. Hollis has offered to strim the path in the meantime. The clerk was asked to write to Caroline Hill about the fencing leaning over the path in Bulls Entry.

072/12 Environment Agency

The clerk reported that the Environment agency had finally agreed to reinstate the fencing along the river bed.

073/12 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council, is to be held on Monday, 3rd September 2012 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 Vice-Chair closed the meeting at 8.35pm

CHAIRMAN