

WEST FELTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of WEST FELTON PARISH COUNCIL held on TUESDAY 12th DECEMBER 2017 at 7.30pm in West Felton Methodist Church Hall.

Present:- Parish Cllrs: Chairman Ed Nicholas, Vice Chair Marian Hesketh, Roger Hampson, Pat Mabe, David Walker, David Curtis, Dianne Barnes, Chris Jones, Alison Ollier and Carole Coles.

Also Present:- Clerk: Claire Ball and Chris Jones, Resident.

With approval of the meeting, the Chairman brought forward agenda item 112.17a)ii) to the Public Participation Session.

104.17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Agenda Item 112.17 a)ii) Variation to Proposed Residential Development Land At, The Cross.

Chris Jones, Resident of the Parish reported great concern involving the variation to the access arrangements for the development. It was discussed in depth and it appears that the footpath is being moved from one side of the road to the other, specifically going against a previous planning inspectors report. This would mean that the road at that point would be less than 5.5 metres wide, which would prove extremely dangerous. For example if a tractor were to meet a bus, one or both would have to mount the pavement to get past and this is surely a major health and safety issue. Therefore the Council **RESOLVED** to strongly object to the variation.

105.17 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –Kay Kynaston.

106.17 DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

- a) Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests – Chris Jones made a declaration of pecuniary interest regarding the Proposed Residential Development Land at The Cross, West Felton. (Agenda Items 112.17a)ii) and 112.17c)i).
- b) To consider any applications for dispensation – None.

107.17 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14.11.17

The following amendment to minute 100.17f) was proposed:

'WE DON'T BUY CRIME PROTECTED BY SMARTWATER' – Council discussed possible dates for the roll- out of the scheme and 4th and 9th December were agreed as long as these were convenient for Smartwater and the Local Police Team. Further Concerns were expressed regarding some of the details of the roll-out and the decision was taken that the cheque be held pending clarification by Smartwater and the police. If the concerns are adequately met, the initiative should go ahead before Christmas as this is potentially a high risk period for burglary.

Council **RESOLVED** that subject to the above amendment, the minutes were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

108.17 BRITISH IRONWORK CENTRE

Clive Knowles, Chairman of British Ironwork Centre sent his apologies as he could not attend the meeting.

109.17 GREENFINGERS

Vincent Gilroy, our new Contract Manager sent his apologies as he could not attend the meeting.

110.17 REPORTS

- a) Police – no representative attended.
- b) Shropshire Council – Councillor Steve Charmley sent his apologies for the meeting along with season's greetings to all the Councillors and the Clerk.



111.17 FINANCE

- a) Council **AGREED** the Bank Reconciliation as at 12/10/17 and the current bank statement was signed by Alison Ollier.
- b) **Payment for Smartwater**
It was confirmed that payment was released to Smartwater following clarification from them following concerns raised by Council at the previous meeting.
- c) **Additional Hours carried out by the Clerk (5 Hours for Smartwater roll-out) – Council AGREED** to pay the overtime carried out by the Clerk.
- d) **Draft Budget 2018/19**
Council considered the forthcoming budget and made initial recommendations to the Clerk.
- e) **Financial planning**
The matter was only very briefly discussed due to pressure of time.
- f) **Income - None Received.**
- g) **Payments - Council RESOLVED** to pay the following invoices, instructing Cllrs Ollier and Coles to check the supporting paperwork to the cheques raised before authorising payment:
 - i) Greenfingers Groundforce Ltd. (Payment for November) (£212.90) (VAT £35.48) (Direct Debit)
 - ii) Clerk's salary for November (£384.33) (Cheque No. 1470)
 - iii) Clerk's Salary Tax Payment for November (£96.00) (Cheque No. 1471)
 - iv) SALC - CILCA Session 1 (Clerk attended) (£65.00) (Cheque No. 1472)
- h) Council **RESOLVED** to pay the following payments that arose after agenda was sent out –
 - i) Highline Electrical Ltd (Streetlight Repair at The Wheatlands) (£96.00) (VAT £16.00) (Cheque No. 1473)
 - ii) Dianne Barnes (Burial Ground items) (£18.85) (Cheque No. 1474)

112.17 PLANNING MATTERS

- a) The Council considered the following Planning Application:
 - i) Reference: 17/05148/REM (validated: 08/11/2017)
Address: Proposed Residential Development South Of Clifton Villas, Queens Head, Shropshire
Proposal: Approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to permission 14/03953/OUT (allowed on appeal) for the erection of 4 No. dwellings
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Peter & Elaine Lawrence (Treprenel Farm, Crickheath, Oswestry, SY10 8BS)
Council **AGREED** to make no comment.
 - ii) Reference: 17/05626/VAR (validated: 21/11/2017)
Address: Proposed Residential Development Land At, The Cross, West Felton, Shropshire
Proposal: Variation of condition number 7 attached to Planning Permission 14/00133/OUT dated 1st October 2014 (won on appeal) to allow amendments to the access arrangements
Applicant: Mrs K Price (Bryn Golwg, Hopton, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, SY4 1DJ)
(Consultation Expiry Date: 21st December 2017)
Please see Agenda Item 104.17 Pubic Participation Session. Council **AGREED** to object to the application.
- b) Council **NOTED** the following Planning Decisions made by Shropshire Council:
 - i) Reference: 17/05071/FUL (validated: 19/10/2017)
Address: Land North Of Tedsmore Road Off, West Felton, Shropshire, SY11 4QL
Proposal: Substitution of housetype previously approved under 15/05619/REM (PLOT 2 ONLY)
Decision: Permission Granted
- c) **Planning Correspondence**
 - i) Amendments to 16/05336/REM Approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout, scale) pursuant to 14/00133/OUT for residential development of 25 houses (inclusive of 2 affordable) Location: Proposed Residential Development Land at The Cross, West Felton.
No further correspondence has been sent or received in respect of this application.

113.17 PLACE PLAN REVIEW 2017 AND SHROPSHIRE LOCAL PLAN REVIEW 2017

The Council thanked the Committee for all their hard work over the past month in putting together responses to the Place Plan Review and Local Plan Review. The Council discussed the responses at length and subsequently **AGREED** the final submissions to be sent in by 22nd December.

114.17 HIGHWAYS

- a) VAS Sign at Queens Head – Clerk reported that Shropshire Council are hoping the VAS Sign will be erected in the new year.
- b) Highway Issue along the lanes where the verge used to be by Pradoc church, Ivy farm to Grimpo and from Methodist Church up to Tedsmore – as this poses a serious hazard for road users, the Clerk was asked to report this issue to Shropshire Council Highways.
- c) Community Speed Watch – Clerk reported that having undertaken their assessments of the relevant areas concerned, the Safer Roads Partnership have sent a form for volunteers to complete and return which is the next step in the process.
- d) Highways Issues at Haughton raised by a resident of the Parish – the Clerk was asked to report these issues to Shropshire Council Highways.

115.17 PARISH MATTERS

- a) Burial Ground Maintenance – Dianne Barnes requested that we include this item in the budget for the following year in order that we can hire someone to carry out maintenance and general tasks at the Burial Ground.
- b) Playing Field Maintenance and necessary repairs to Playground equipment:-
 - i) Playing Field Bench – possible replacement – the Clerk was asked to request a quotation from Morgans for a wooden bench to include delivery and installation costs.
- c) Allotments and Bowling Green – Clerk reported no further update on possible land availability.
- d) Smartwater – it was agreed that following the two roll-out sessions undertaken in December, two further sessions in January would be required for residents to come and collect their free Smartwater Kits. The 13th and 27th January between 10.00am and 1.00pm were agreed subject to a member of the Police Team being available to attend.
- e) Streetlighting – It was reported that Highline Electrical had repaired the Wheatlands streetlight however the ones in The Avenue still need attention therefore the Clerk was asked to chase them in order that they complete the work as soon as possible.
- f) Possible storage solutions for the JTS Conference System – as no further solutions were suggested, the Chairman agreed to continue to store the system for the time being.

116.17 CLERK’S UPDATE REPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

- a) Response submitted to John P Whitelegg regarding Rural Bus Services – Clerk reported that bus links to NHS Services and to Gobowen Railway Station were the main suggestions received from Councillors.

117.17 NEXT MEETING

Council NOTED the date of the next meeting be held on Tuesday 9th January 2018 in West Felton Methodist Church Hall at 7.30p.m.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 10.05pm.

Chairman’s Signature.....  Dated..... 9/1/18