

Whixall Parish Council

Chairman: David Edgerton

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held on Wednesday 15th April 2015 at Whixall Social Centre starting at 7.30 pm

Present:

Chairman: D Edgerton

Councillors: D Evans, S Marlow, C Platon, I Mercer, C Mellings, P Poole (arrived at 8:10pm)

Clerk: K Hatton

Public: M Peile

36/15 Apologies for absence

Vice Chair- S Beer- work commitment

J Spenser- holiday

P Dee- NSW event

J Hardiman- personal commitment

37/15 Disclosures of Pecuniary Interests

None.

38/15 Minutes of the meeting of 11th March 2015

It was proposed by Cllr Marlow that the minutes of the meeting were an accurate record of the meeting.
Seconded by Cllr Evans and agreed by all present.

It was resolved that the minutes be signed by the Chairman as an accurate record of the meeting.

39/15 Public Session

M Peile was invited to address the council.

MP stated his grievance with Shropshire Council over their lack of communication with him regarding a drainage issue affecting a piece of land owned by MP.

MP asked for the Parish Council's support on the issue of Shropshire Council's absence of correspondence and communication- MP has made a formal complaint to Shropshire Council about the matter but as of 15th April had not even had a response to that.

Cllr Edgerton proposed that the Clerk write to Shropshire Council on behalf of the Parish Council in support of MP's complaint. Cllr Evans seconded the proposal and all agreed.

Cllr Mellings also offered his support.

MP agreed to send the Clerk some details of attempted communication.

MP thanked the Parish Council and left the meeting. (Time 7:50pm)

40/15 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on the following:

- o All actions from previous meeting complete.
- o Notice of requisition from Land Registry re: Marlot application
- o Formal response from Road Safety concerns.
- o Transparency code- Draft minutes were posted online.
- o Clerk's pay increase to start from 1st April
- o Correspondence to say precept has been paid.
- o Response from Eve- Xmas party entertainer via email- requested written response.
- o Re-consultation probable on planning application ref: 14/05007/OUT- further information from Berry's.

41/15 Financial Matters

- Outstanding accounts

DATE	CHEQUE NO.	DETAILS	AMOUNT
15.04.2015	101036	SALC- Affiliation fee	£300.35
15.04.2015	101037	K Hatton- Clerk's pay for March	£199.49
15.04.2015	101038	C Jones- Grass cutting	£40.00
		Total	£539.84

- Orders for the payment of money as per the financial report of the Responsible Financial Officer were proposed by Cllr Platon, seconded by Cllr Marlow and agreed by all present.

It was resolved that the outstanding accounts should be paid and cheques were signed by Chairman Cllr Edgerton who agreed to obtain a signature from Vice Chair, Cllr Beer.

- Balances

DATE	ACCOUNT NAME	AMOUNT
	Community Account	£2,012.14
	Business Saver Account	£3,920.47
TOTAL		£5,932.61

The Clerk confirmed that all Parish Cllrs present had received a copy of the balance sheet via email.

- **4th Quarterly Expenditure Report**

The Clerk confirmed that all Parish Cllrs present had received a copy of the Expenditure Report via email.

- **Annual Return 2014/15**

The Clerk asked for confirmation that all Parish Cllrs present had received copies of the Bank Reconciliation and Variances Report associated with the Annual Return 2014/15 via email. The Clerk tabled the Accounting Statement. It was proposed by Cllr Edgerton that the Accounting Statement be formally approved, all were in favour.

- **The Accounting Statement was signed by The Chairman of the meeting and Responsible Financial Officer (Clerk). The Clerk stated that the accounts will be presented for Internal Audit by Whittingham Riddell.**

Financial regulations review:

The Clerk made Cllrs aware of the Annual Governance Statement in section 2 of the Return, which will appear on next month's agenda.

Cllr Poole joined the meeting (Time: 8:10pm)

42/14 Planning Issues

Applications to be viewed at the meeting

- Ref: 15/01065/FUL - Erection of a brick cattle and storage shed at Land Adj. Rosannedd House, Hollinwood, Whixall, Shropshire, SY13 2NH

Decision/ response for submission to Online Planning Register-public access:

Object/ Support/ Representation

Comment: Whixall Parish council wish to raise three concerns with the application: 1. The council dispute the claim that there will be no need to dispose of effluent waste from cattle. 2. The council have concerns about the means of ventilation for the cattle alongside a cavity wall. 3. It is felt that more detail is needed about the surface water drainage- i.e. location of soakaway.

- Ref: 15/01289/OHL - To replace open wire overhead LV line with Aerial Bundled Conductors (ABC) at Barn at Ladywell House, Whixall, Shropshire, SY13 2RR

Decision/ response for submission to Online Planning Register-public access:

Object/ **Support**/ Representation

Comment: No comment.

Planning Decisions

- Ref: 15/00439/FUL- Erection of a two storey extension to the rear and side elevations at 9 Platt Lane, Hollinwood, Shropshire, SY13 2NR- **Grant Permission**
- Ref: 15/00711/FUL- Erection of rear extension, porch and replacement roof to lounge at Yew Tree Farm, The Moss, Whixall, Shropshire, SY13 2PA- **Grant Permission**

43/15 Parish Matters

a) Community Led Plan

Cllr Mellings reported that he had tried to arrange another appointment with Rt. Hon. Owen Paterson but OP's office declined due to pre-election period although willing to correspond subject to election results. Cllr Mellings stated that Shropshire Council did contact the solicitors acting for the owner of the Waggoners, who commented as follows:-

"My client has had an offer on the premises but it was not enough. He would be interested in selling at the right price. It is up to you to make an offer if the Council is interested."

b) Annual Parish Meeting Agenda

The style of advert for Annual Parish Meeting was agreed. It was also agreed that the advert should be included in the Community News, on the Whixall Community Facebook page, notice boards and Parish Council Website.

c) The Marlot- First Registration application

The Clerk confirmed that all Cllrs had received a copy of the proposed Statement of Truth form relating to the First Registration application for The Marlot in response to the Land Registry's requisition. The Clerk requested full agreement from the Parish Council to send the statement; signed by the Clerk on behalf of the Parish Council. The Parish Council were unanimous in their agreement.

44/15 Highways

The Clerk was asked to report the following and request to be kept informed on each point:

1. Poor condition of road surface on Green Lane- a section of it is under water due to the overflow of a pond.
2. A collapsed man hole grid in Stanley Green- it has been sprayed yellow- has it been forgotten?
3. Overgrown hedges on roadside- going towards Tilstock from Hollinwood.
4. A smell of effluent has been reported along the lane that cuts through past Browns Brook Farm.
5. Erosion of the verge between Whixall Social Centre and Church Farm- storm water gulley is exposed approx. 3 feet from the edge.

Cllr Platon reported a leak on Canal Side which had been reported to Severn Trent.

Cllr Edgerton reported that he had been approached by a number of parishioners who would like there to be horse and rider signs erected in the Parish- Cllr Edgerton proposed that the Clerk contact David Gradwell to ask if multi symbol (cyclists, horse and rider, walkers) signs could be erected on the in- roads to Whixall or whether this would be a capital spend application. The proposal was seconded by Cllr Evans and agreed by all.

45/15 Website- Comments and updates

Cllr Platon reported that the draft minutes for March 2015 had been uploaded onto the Parish Council website in line with the Transparency code.

46/15 Correspondence

The Clerk shared with the council the following correspondence:

- Adopt a Kiosk letter.
- Precept payment letter from Shropshire Council.

47/15 Councillors Reports

Cllr Mercer stated that he was unable to attend the most recent Helicopter Liaison meeting but asked the Clerk to forward the minutes to Cllrs.

Cllr Platon reported that he had made a personal complaint to Sleaford Airport about stunt flying noise.

Cllr Edgerton reported that he had been approached by parishioners who have fallen victim to bad workmanship in relation to home external cladding insulation scheme: they were advised to see Citizen's advice on the matter.

The meeting closed at 9:55pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 13th May at 7.00 pm
