

# Whixall Parish Council

Chairman: Ian Mercer

Minutes of an EXTRAORDINARY Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at  
Whixall Social Centre starting at 7:30pm

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## **Present:**

**Chairman:** I Mercer

**Councillors:** J Fitton, S Marlow, J Spenser, M Howard, J Hardiman, G Turnbull

**Shropshire Councillors:**

**Clerk:** K Hatton

**Members of the community:** Holly, representative of Peter Richards, agent for application ref: 17/03418/FUL- Change of use application. Alterations to Canal Marina and adjacent Haulage Yard to form; waterside cafe, glamping units, additional car parking and improvements/ extension of workshop building to facilitate narrow boat maintenance at Whixall Marina.

## **101/17 Apologies for absence**

D Edgerton, B Harris, C Mellings, P Dee

## **102/17 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests and requests for dispensation.**

None declared.

## **103/17 Public Participation**

Holly gave a presentation on behalf of Peter Richards, the agent for the proposed improvements to facilities at Whixall Marina. Holly provided an overview of the plans and some background information about the site.

Cllr Mercer asked whether the residents living in the property closest to the marina had been notified of the plans. Holly confirmed that the residents had acknowledged receipt of the plans.

Cllr Turnbull asked about the removable shepherd hut/ glamping units and their storage 'out of season'. It was confirmed that there is plenty of storage space on the site and permeable hard standing.

Cllr Mercer shared some of the further conversation he had had during his site visit; it was his understanding that there was no intention of operating outside of normal working hours and no intention of floodlighting.

## **104/17 Planning**

**-All planning applications and decisions can be tracked on line at [www.shropshire.gov.uk](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk)**

**Applications received- to consider response**

*Order in which applications were considered varies from order listed on the agenda.*

- i. Ref: 17/03418/FUL- Change of use application. Alterations to canal Marina and adjacent Haulage Yard to form; waterside cafe, glamping units, additional car parking and improvements/ extension of workshop building to facilitate narrow boat maintenance at Whixall Marina, Alders Lane, Whixall, SY13 2QS  
Stance: **Support** (Proposer: Cllr Mercer, seconder: Cllr Spenser, agreed by all)  
Comment: None
- ii. Ref: 17/03033/FUL- Siting of 6 No. Holiday cabins including change of use of land at Land at Gilberts Lane, Whixall, Shropshire  
Stance: **Support** (Proposer: Cllr Mercer, seconder: Cllr Marlow, agreed by all)  
Comment: Whixall parish Council would like assurances that the access meets current legal standards/ requirements.

- iii. Ref: 17/03127/FUL- Erection of a first floor extension and internal alterations at New House Farm, Welsh End, Whixall, Shropshire, SY13 2NT  
Stance: **Support** (Proposer: Cllr Mercer, seconder: Cllr Hardiman, agreed by all)  
Comment: None

**105/17 Consider amendment to standing orders**

- Re: delegation of powers to Clerk to address matters arising between scheduled meetings.

The Clerk explained that this item relates to the more stringent rules in the time consultees have to respond to planning applications and the fact that there is no scheduled meeting in August or December. Cllr Mercer proposed that the amendment needed to be clearly worded and as such would be considered for the next meeting. Seconded by Cllr Spenser and agreed by all.

**106/17 Consider future agenda items**

In addition to items suggested at the scheduled July meeting: Consider amendment to standing orders.

Scheduled date of next meeting: **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.30 pm**

The meeting closed at 8:15pm