

ASHFORD CARBONELL PARISH COUNCIL

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The Draft Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at Ashford Carbonell Village Hall on Monday 8th March 2010 at 7.15pm

1. Present:

Councillor R Tilt (Chairman)

Councillors: Mr D N Bowden, Mr G Hall, Mrs M E Heath and Mr D J Brundrett

Members of the Public were present

2. Public Session:

No items

3. Items from Shropshire Council:

Shropshire Councillor Martin Taylor Smith referred to:

- a) The Final Core Strategy Plan which was now subject to consultation with representations to be made by the 29th March 2010. The plan covers the period 2006 – 2026 and gives details of projected development within Shropshire which will primarily be centred on the main market towns. The next report to be produced which is due for publication on the 2nd April 2010 will be the Site Allocation and Management of Documents in relation to the Core Strategy with a consultation period of twelve weeks.
- b) There is a vacancy for a School Governor for the Bishop Hooper School this will be advertised on the Notice Board and should any person wish to put their name forward they should contact Martin email: martin.taylor-smith@shropshire.gov.uk or the Parish Council Chairman Mr R Tilt before the end March 2010.

4. Declarations of Interest:

Nil

5. To approve minutes of previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 18th January 2010 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

6. Chairman's communications:

a) Shropshire Council has arranged a training course for Councillors on the Code of Conduct at Culmington Village Hall commencing at 6.30pm on the 23rd March 2010.

b) Shropshire council were able to provide an additional salt bin for the village any additional bins would have to be purchased by the Parish Council.

The Clerk would obtain the cost of the bins and appropriate sites to be identified for the next meeting.

The Clerk will also to discuss with Shropshire Council if the Highway Maintenance grant could be used for the gritting of footpaths in the parish.

7. Planning Items:

The Parish Council had no objection to planning application 10/00751/TCA – Notification of proposed works to fell one conifer tree lying within Ashford Carbonell Conservation Area – Ashford Carbonell Village Hall.

8. Highway items:

a) The Clerk was asked to write to the Ludlow Hunt to request that large vehicles do not park within the village due to the damage that is made to the grass verges.

b) The Chairman had received a report concerning the condition of the Chestnut Trees at the entrance to the village on the proposed school field. On examination one of the trees is suffering from a form of bleeding canker and if left without treatment the root system will die back with the risk of falling over. There are two options to fell the tree and replace with a less susceptible species or to try and save the tree by having it pollard at a cost of £120. The condition of two of the other trees may be similar, the Chairman will speak to the current landowner and the Tree Warden and reconsider the matter at the next meeting, views from the public will be welcome.

9. Financial Items:

The Clerk reported that the bank balances at the 28th February 2010 were £1,700.

The Parish Council approved the following payments:

C Parkingson –clearing of culvert - £8.00

Ashford Carbonell Village Hall – Hire of Hall - £89

C E Williams – salary and expenses - £607.53

10. Bishop Hooper School Reference Group - update:

The Reference Group and the Project Board due to meet on the 9th March 2010 to discuss suggestions for proposed layout of the site.

The next public meeting will be held on the 25th March 2010 at 7.00pm to look at the proposed planning details.

11. Reports from other Organisations:

a) The Chairman had attended the meeting of the South Shropshire Association of Parish and Town Councils which looked at the proposed new structure and constitution of the Shropshire Association of Local Councils which will help streamline the working with Shropshire Council.

b) The Chairman reported on the Ludlow and Clee Rural Joint Committee which had primarily discussed the proposed new hospital and doctor's surgeries to be sited at the Eco Park The Sheet with the provision of 28 beds.

The Parish Council agreed to support the proposals for the new hospital.

12. Other Items:

The Parish Council adopted:

a) The Standing Orders produced by the National Association of Local Councils

b) The Parish Council adopted the Financial Regulations

13. Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 19th April 2010, 7.15pm at Ashford Carbonell Village Hall.

Chairman