SELATTYN and GOBOWEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11th October 2006 at the Pavilion, St. Martins Road, Gobowen commencing at 7.00pm

In the Chair – Councillor D G Lloyd MBE

The Chairman spoke of the sad death of Councillor David J Lloyd and Members stood in a minute's silence in his remembrance.

Present: - Councillors: - I W Bennett, R Bowyer, Mrs S Crow, Mrs PA Evans, Mrs S Healey, RT Jones, T Kirk, D Lloyd MBE, J Manetti , Mrs E Morgan, NJ Stokes, and J T Thorpe.

0) Public Participation:

None present.

1) **Apologies** Councillors S Jones (illness), D Meredith-Jones (working) and S Westwood-Bate (working)

2) Declaration of Interest

Councillor Mrs Evans declared a personal interest in item 14 in that she is a trustee of SILO and Councillor Mrs Crow declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 12 in that her relation was a creditor.

3) **Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th September 2006**

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th September 2006 were approved and signed.

4) Matters Arising from the Minutes

a) A progress report was issued and considered.
b) The Chairman reported on the latest situation concerning the Fernhill Lane problems associated with the running of a business and said that although the situation had improved further actions were now pending.

5) Police Report

a) PC Clarke attended accompanied by the newly appointed Community Service Officer, CSO David Wagg. Members discussed his current duties and actions.

b) PC Clarke reported on the recent crime in the parish and, in particular, a theft in West Place; burglary at the shop on the By Pass Road; theft from a vehicle at the Orthopaedic Hospital; a disturbance at the Railway Station; theft of plant pots in Foxes Field in Gobowen, theft from a vehicle and burglary from a cottage in Selattyn.

c) A number of questions were raised from the floor of the meeting including the progress on the theft and damage of street lights – none at this stage; the diversion on the A5; gangs of youngsters in Gobowen village; the parking of a 4x4 outside the old Post Office and a thank you letter received by a parishioner.

The Chairman thanked the Officers and they then left the meeting.

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6) Borough Councillors Reports

The Chairman reported on the commencement of the budgetary process and, in particular, the Concessionary Travel Scheme where efforts were being made to protect what had been a very successful scheme.

7) **Report of Emergency Planning Committee meeting – 19th September**

Members Present: Councillors I Bennett, J R Bowyer, Mrs E Morgan, and J Manetti

a) 14566 Erection of leisure suite and ancillary works
Lion Quays Gledrid
No Objection

b) 14576 Extension to dwelling
Brooklands, Glyn Road, Selattyn

An Objection – that the brick rendering is not in keeping with the property and adjacent properties

c) 14577 Single storey extension
Forester's House, Racecourse Road
No Objection

d) 14579 Alterations to dwelling
Brook House, Hengoed
No Objection

e) 14580 Erection of detached garage
Hill Crest, Bath Bank, Selattyn

An Objection – that this is the second such development of a garage plot at the property in the last five years and that it appears very close to the boundary of the adjoining property.

f) 14581 Erection of detached double garage
Stone House, Hengoed
No Objection

g) 14581 Change of use for small section of unused agricultural land, Stone House, Hengoed
No Objection

h) 14581 Erection two storey rear extension
Stone House, Hengoed
No Objection

8) Planning Applications

a) 14591/FUl Stone House, Hengoed

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Construction of a 40 x 20 metre ménage.

No Objection

b) 14589/FULL Orthopaedic Hospital, Gobowen
Construction of new orthopaedic (children) research centre
The Council would express the wish that the new young trees should be planted to replace those lost due to the construction.

c) 14593/FULL Stowe Barn, Pentre Dafydd, Selattyn
Single storey extension

No Objection

d) 14595/OUT Walnut House, Old Whittington Road, Gobowen
Erection of dwelling and garage

Concerns expressed as to the access and egress from the site and to the number of properties served from the access road.

a) 14601/FULL Red House, Chirk Road, Gobowen
Change of use from a private dwelling house to individual private flats.
bedroom apartments14607/FUL Derwen College, Whittington Road, Gobowen

No Objection

b) 14607/FULL Derwen College, Whittington Road, Gobowen
Erection of teaching block for retail department to replace existing building.

No Objection

c) 14608/FULL Derwen College, Whittington Road, Gobowen
Construction of wash/shelter for minibus.

No Objection

h) 14610/FULL Brookside, Old Chirk Road, Gobowen
Single storey extension to dwelling and first floor dormer extension.
No Objection

i) 14623/FULL Rock House, Glyn Road, Selattyn

Construction of revised access to Rock House and Firbank, removal of bank and construction of retaining wall.

The Council was disappointed to hear of the amount of work that was carried out at this site prior to this retrospective application. Large amounts of excavations were made and large amounts of soil was taken from the site resulting in damage to local roads.

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The Council has serious reservations over the design of the retaining wall and the effects upon the adjacent road.

The Council felt that this application should be placed before full Planning Committee for further consideration.

9) Parish Matters

a) Parish Plan

The Clerk reported on the last meeting of the Group and on the difficulties experienced by members over one particular issue. He further reported that the next planned meeting of the group was 7th November with a Public Meeting arranged for 20th November in the Scout Community Hall. All members were requested to attend.

b) Funding for a Development Plan of the Racecourse

The Clerk reported that Clive Dean of Shropshire County Council had contacted him concerning the funding for the production of a development plan for the Racecourse. It was agreed that the Selattyn members meet with Mr Dean to further matters.

c) **Members' Reports**

i) Councillor Bowyer reported that Mrs Mottram had enquired about funding a road-side seat in the parish. It was agreed that the Clerk write and detail the likely cost of the installation of a seat.

ii) Councillor Thorpe reported the amount of glass litter in the village following the practice of residents placing recycling boxes out overnight. It was agreed to report this matter to the Borough Council for action.

iii) Councillor Kirk enquired about the re-opening of the Wern Bridge at Hengoed.

iv) Councillor Bennett spoke of the road diversion following the road accident on the A5. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Police.

v) Councillor Mrs Morgan reported the situation concerning the administration of the Racecourse Management Committee. The Chairman agreed to raise this matter with the Officers of the Borough Council.

vi) Councillor Mrs Healey again raised the parking of a 4x4 outside the old Post Office. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Police.

vii) Councillor RT Jones presented to the meeting plans showing where he had carried out bulb planting. These were received and noted.

viii) The Chairman reported that the recent application for a 'back garden' development which had been refused had now been agreed on appeal.

10) Reports of the NALC Conference

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Councillor Mrs Morgan presented a written report which is held on file.

11) Newsletter

Distribution – Members considered the map showing the current arrangements and it was agreed that Members would deliver to those areas not covered by the contractor.

12) **Financial Matters**

a) Outstanding payments for agreement

			£Net	£ VAT	£Gross
1	Shropshire County Council – Joint energy charge		1408.24	246.44	1554.68
2	British Gas	– Pavilion gas charges	26.82	1.34	28.16
3	S.A.L.C.	– AGM & training fees	57.00	Nil	57.00
4	V&W Electrics Ltd	- Lighting sensor repairs	1102.70	192.97	1295.67
		- Scheduled repairs	478.00	83.65	561.65
		- Contractual repairs	256.01	44.80	300.81
			1836.71	321.42	2158.13
5	Sodexho	– Grounds Maintenance	320.81	56.14	376.95
6	S.C.R.U. Association	– Membership fee	10.00	Nil	10.00
7	CPRE – Membership		26.00	Nil	26.00
8	Waugh Communications – Web site management				
		- Unlimited updates	360.00		
		Website hosting	120.00	84.00	564.00
9	JC Fabrication – Repairs to play equipment		45.00	Nil	45.00
10	Daren Brewer	(September)			
		- Hengoed Cemetery	140.00		
		- Selattyn	45.00	Nil	185.00
11	Clerk - Mileage Claim for September		33.26	Nil	33.26
12	Mrs Hodge –	October Salary	126.05	Nil	126.05
13	Clerk –	October Salary	714.86	Nil	714.86
14	EZ Distribution – newsletter delivery		100.00	Nil	100.00
15	RT Jones – Purchase of bulbs		50.00	Nil	50.00

b) Income since the last meeting

	£
Precept	22,500.00

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Playing Field Grant 1,927.22

13) **Correspondence**

i) Matters Requiring attention

Description	Recommended Action
i) Shropshire County Council – Prohibition Order for Gobowen	Members' information
ii) Shropshire County Council – Budget Consultation Mtg. 8th November	Members' information
iii) Oswestry Borough Council – Fernhill Lane	Member's information
iv) Oswestry Borough Council – Meeting with Town & Parish Councils	Member's consideration
v) Oswestry CCTV Group – Request for donation	Defer to March 2007 meeting
vi) West Mercia Talking Newspapers – Request for donation	Defer to March 2007 meeting
vii) Severn Hospice – Request for donation	Defer to March 2007 meeting

Matters for Information

Description

i) Oswestry Borough Council - Planning Permits (3)
   3 Nant Cottages, Selattyn; Greenfields Cottage, St. Martins Road, Gobowen; Forester's House, Racecourse Road
ii) Oswestry Borough Council - Planning Refusal – Land Opposite Ty Coch, Pant Glas
iii) Shropshire County Council – Public Transport News
iv) Oswestry Racecourse Management Committee – Agenda
v) Shropshire Union Canal Society – Cuttings newsletter
vi) CPRE – Landscapes Newsletter
vii) CPRE – Fieldwork Newsletter
viii) SCRUA – Severn – Dee Newsletter
ix) CPRE – Voice Newsletter

14) Exclusion of the Press and Public

To resolve: "That under Section 100(A) of the Local Government Act 1992, the Public and Press be excluded for the remainder of the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 5 of part 1 of the Schedule 12A of the Act

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a) Partnership Arrangement

The Clerk reported on a recent meeting with members of the SILO Trustees concerning the establishment of a Partnership for the development of Youth facilities at the Pavilion and Playing Field. He reported that a draft 'constitution' had been circulated and would form the discussions at the next meeting of the group.

He further reported that arrangements had been made for the 'Outreach' workers to use the Pavilion to meet with young people of the parish on two successive Tuesday evenings and for the workers to meet with Parish representatives to discuss the arrangements for such evenings.

b) Parish Plan Arrangements

The Chairman reported to Members of concerns over the actions of one of the Parish Plan Steering Committee members and the impact which this was having upon the progress of the completion of the plan. This was noted.

15) Date and time of the next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on **8th November 2006 at the Pavilion, Gobowen** at 7.00pm

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