

SELATTYN & GOBOWEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14th March 2007 at the Pavilion, St. Martins Road, Gobowen commencing at 7.00pm

In the Chair – Councillor David Lloyd MBE

The Chairman welcomed Councillor Davies to the meeting.

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

0) Public Participation:

None

1) Apologies

Apologies were received for Councillors Mrs S Healey (holiday), S Jones (coaching), T Kirk (holiday) and S Westwood-Bate (working)

2) Declaration of Interest

Councillor DG Lloyd declared an interest in item no12 due to his association with the Parish Church; Councillor Mrs A Evans declared an interest in item no 12 due to her association with the Parish Church and her position as a Trustee with SILO.

Councillor Mrs S Crow declared an interest in item no12 due to her association with Oswestry CAB.

3) Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th February 2007

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th February 2007 were, following amendment to Councillor Lloyd's initials, approved and signed.

4) Matters arising from the Minutes

- a) A reply had been received from the County Highways Department on a number of matters raised at the last meeting. These were noted.
- b) The Clerk presented the Progress Report which was considered.

5) Police Report

PC Clarke reported on the recent crime figures for the Parish and in particular damage to a building site on St. Martins Road, motor car damaged and burglary from the Golf Cub site in Gobowen, also the theft from a motor vehicle in Selattyn.

A number of questions were asked of the officer including the deployment arrangements of the CSO.

The Chairman thanked the Officer for his report.

6) County Councillor's Report

Councillor Davies reported on the 4.7% increase in the County Council's budget for 2007/8, the cross border collaboration with Powis Council, the success of the recycling site in Oswestry, the fitting of seat belts to all County Council school contract buses coming up to renewal, the repair of pot holes on the Hengoed road, the proposed repair of the railway crossing, the planned road closure of the Hinford road to execute repairs and the appointment of a new Post Mistress and whether she had been consulted over the new Post Office review.

A number of questions were raised with the Councillor including the give-way signage at the Whittington/Orthopaedic Hospital road junction and the de-acceleration lane off the A5 at the Chirk Road junction.

The Chairman thanked the Councillor for his report and attendance.

7) Borough Councillors' Reports

Councillor D G Lloyd reported on health matters including the maternity provision and the Health Village which were both now coming to fruition; the offer package for the Council house tenants and the setting of a 3% increase in the Council Tax charge.

8) Out Reach Worker's Report

Two Outreach Workers, Bridy and Lee, attended the meeting and gave a full and detailed report of their activities over the last four/five months. Their current arrangements cover a two-hour session one evening each week and if SILO is quiet on a Friday that too is included. Finally, the workers felt that the deployment of the CSO away from the Village on certain nights was unhelpful to the local situation. A copy of the full report was retained on file.

Following concerns over the deployment of the CSO it was agreed that the matter be raised with Inspector Stafford.

9) Planning Applications

- a) 14855/FUL Temporary planning permission for static caravan for use in conjunction with boarding cattery business
Gyrn Cottage, Gyrn Road Selattyn

It was agreed to oppose the application on the grounds that the site of the static caravan would be too obtrusive and that if approved the temporary element of the application be strictly monitored.

10) Parish Elections

The Clerk reported on the arrangements for the forthcoming elections. These were noted

11) Parish Matters

a) Parish Plan Update

The Clerk reported that a 'draft' plan had been produced and that the Steering Committee was due to meet on March 20th with the Plan author to discuss the matter further. This was noted.

b) Members' Reports

- i) Councillor Thorpe requested that a police presence in West Place/Hammonds Place be increased.
- ii) Councillor Mrs Morgan reported that the Racecourse Management Committee were to hold a special meeting to consider the proposed Management Plan
- iii) Councillor RT Jones commented on vandalism and the use, locally by Police, of new Crasbo's.
- iv) Councillor Mrs Evans requested that the police presence around the church be increased. Councillor Lloyd and Councillor Crow reported on the plans by SP Manweb to erect an overhead line through Gobowen. Following consideration it was agreed that SP Manweb be requested to send a representative to the April meeting to discuss the matter in greater detail

12) Financial Matters

a) Outstanding payments for agreement

			£Net	£ VAT	£Gross
2726	BT	- Parish phone line	58.28	10.19	68.47
2727	V&W Electrics Ltd	- Contractual repairs	881.56	154.28	1035.84
2728	North Wales Newspapers	- Advert	232.80	40.74	273.54
2729	Severn Trent Water	- Pavilion water rates	436.22	Nil	436.22
2730	British Gas	- Pavilion electricity	385.92	19.30	405.22
2732	Sodexo	- Grounds Maintenance	320.81	56.14	376.95
2733	Daren Brewer (February)	- Hengoed Cemetery	140.00	Nil	
		- Selattyn	<u>45.00</u>	<u>Nil</u>	<u>185.00</u>
2734	Clerk	- Miscellaneous Expenses	66.84	4.99	71.83
2735	Clerk	- Mileage Claim (Dec-Feb)	80.78	Nil	80.78
2737	Mrs Hodge	- March Salary	126.05	Nil	126.05
2738	Clerk	- March Salary	714.86	Nil	714.86
2739	All Saints Church	- Section 137	200.00	Nil	200.00
2740	Gobowen Scouts	- Section 137	200.00	Nil	200.00
2741	Gobowen Youth FC	- Section 137	200.00	Nil	200.00
2742	Preshenlle Church	- Section 137	200.00	Nil	200.00
2743	Selattyn Show Cttee	- Section 137	50.00	Nil	50.00
2744	SILO	- Section 137	1350.00	Nil	1350.00
2745	St Mary's Church	- Section 137	200.00	Nil	200.00

2746	CAB	- Section 137	50.00	Nil	50.00
2747	Hope House	- Section 137	50.00	Nil	50.00
2748	OSCA	- Section 137	50.00	Nil	50.00
2749	Oswestry CCTV Group	- Section 137	50.00	Nil	50.00
2750	Inland Revenue	- Tax & NI	464.24	Nil	464.24
2751	Oswestry Borough Council	Civic Dinner Ticket	30.00	Nil	30.00
2752	Councillor DG Lloyd	- Chairman's allowance	360.00	Nil	360.00
2753	V&W Electrics	- Street Lighting repairs	289.83	50.72	340.55
2754	Cllr. Mrs Crow	- Travel expenses	16.02	Nil	16.02

b) Income since the last meeting

Cemetery

£
110.00

c) Charges – Pavilion 2007/8

Members considered recommendations from the RFO and following consideration agreed that the charges for 2007/8 would be:

i) Room Hire – General Use

a) Use of all rooms and toilets – without shower facilities

i)	Up to 2 hours in total	-	£18
ii)	2 hours to 4 hours in total	-	£27
iii)	4 hours to 6 hours in total	-	£45

b) Changing Room Hire – Football teams for duration of game period including use of showers and toilets.

c)	Parish teams	-	£40
d)	Other teams	-	£60

e) Supported Funding applications

Members considered the applications and following consideration agreed that the following:

a) Parish based organisations

Description	Application	Agreed
i.	All Saints Church	£200 Budgeted
ii.	Gobowen Scout Group	£200
iii.	Gobowen Youth FC	£200
iv.	Preshenlle Reform Church	£200 Budgeted
v.	Selattyn Show Committee	£50
vi.	SILO	£1350 Budgeted
vii.	St Mary's Church, Selattyn	£200 Budgeted

b) **Borough based organisations**

i.	CAB Oswestry		£50
ii.	Hope House		£50
iii.	OSCA	£200	£50
iv.	Oswestry CCTV Group		£50

c) **County based organisations**

It was moved that no awards be made to this category of application and that the amounts be redirected to SILO. This was agreed.

13) Correspondence

d) **Matters requiring attention**

Description	Agreed action
i. Shropshire County Council - The Weir Bridge	Members' information
ii. Oswestry Borough Council – Precept figures	Members' information
iii. Oswestry Borough Council – Honorary Freeman	Members' information
iv. Oswestry Borough Council – Hengoed waste contract	Members' information
v. Oswestry Borough Council – Liaison meeting	Chairman to attend
vi. Oswestry Borough Council – Play Partnership meeting	Representative to attend
vii. Oswestry Borough Council – SP Manweb item	Next Agenda
viii. Oswestry Borough Council – Civic Dinner	Chairman to attend
ix. West Mercia Constabulary - Pavilion use	Agreed
x. Sodexo Land Technology Ltd- Contract renewal	Refer to item 14
xi. NALC – Annual Conference – 5-7 October Bournemouth	May agenda item
xii. Oswestry Hospice Support Group – Use of Field and Pavilion	Free use with conditions
xiii. Standards Board – Bulletin	Circulated to Members

e) **Matters for information**

Description
i. Oswestry Borough Council – Planning Permits(5) Brook Cottage, Selattyn; Orthopaedic Hospital, Gobowen; The Bungalow, Mardy Farm Hengoed;Pentre Coed Farm, Maesbury and 3 Nant Lane Cottages, Selattyn.
ii. Calor Village of the Year Competition, Shropshire
iii. CPRE – Fieldwork newsletter
iv. CPRE – Voice magazine

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

a) Playing Field – Maintenance Contract 2007 - 2010

Members considered the renewing of the Playing Field Maintenance Contract and following consideration agreed that the Contract be accepted for a 12 month period.

15) Date and time of the next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on **11th April 2007 at the Pavilion, Gobowen** at 7.00pm.