

SELATTYN and GOBOWEN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11th March 2009 at the Pavilion,
Gobowen commencing at 7.00 pm**

**In the Chair – Councillor Mrs E Morgan
present:**

Councillors:, J. R. Bowyer, P. Clare, M. Ambridge, M. Turner, L. Hearne, R. T. Jones, D. Lloyd MBE, Mrs E. Morgan, P. Cherrington, I. Bennett, S. Crow, A Jones, P Drury, J. Thorpe.

0 Members of the public present

1	To receive apologies and reasons for absence Tim Kirk – working, Trevor Davies - SCC winding down so nothing to report
2	Declaration of Interest <i>“To receive declarations of Interest of personal and prejudicial interest on any item on the agenda in accordance with Section 50-52 of the Local Government Act & The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) England Order 2007”</i> Cllr Jones declared a prejudicial interest on item 15a accounts for payment
3	Public Participation with respect to items on the agenda or of relevance to the parish – none
4	To Confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11th February 2009 It was resolved to sign the minutes as a true record.
5	Matters Arising from the Minutes Progress Report a) Allotments – The Clerk reported that she had submitted the planning application and was now in the process of inviting contractors to quote for the car park and access construction. It was reported that an open meeting is to be held on Wednesday 22nd April 2009. b) Parish Plan Printing – The clerk reported that she had not received a draft action plan so it was agreed that due to the timescale it was not possible to send the action plan out with the current edition of Roundabout. c) Roundabout Magazine – The Clerk distributed copies of the draft roundabout for March and reported that due to a high price rise from the current printers had sought quotes from other printers for the work. Agreed to award work to reprographix and print 1400 copies on 80g weight paper. It was also reported that all areas of the parish were now hopefully covered for delivery.
6	Minutes of the Playing Field Committee held on 4/3/09 (distributed at the meeting) Reg Bowyer was not in attendance, following this correction it was resolved to confirm the minutes of the meeting.
7	Matters arising from the Playing Field committee a) Pavilion Windows Following a vote (13 for 1 against) it was resolved instruct the erection of shutters over the windows to protect them from future vandalism b) Pavilion Drains As recommended by the committee, it was resolved to request that Lanes for Drains carry out the drainage work. c) Security issues on playing field – As recommended by the committee it was resolved not to remove the trees by the car park and the seats in front of the

	<p>pavilion as these were not considered urgent but could be considered in a future budget.</p> <p>d) MUGA and pavilion bookings – The clerk reported that new forms were being developed and they will be reviewed. A discussion took place on whether the locking of the main gate should be a hire condition and the clerk was asked to look into this further. Volunteers were also asked to open and close the MUGA when Nigel is not available Cllr Ambridge volunteered along with the members of the playing field committee who had already put their names forward.</p> <p>e) Lease of section of playing field to Severn Trent during works. – It was reported that the clerk had met with Severn Trent to discuss the lease of the end of the playing field and that subject the conditions recommended by the playing fields committee it was resolved to lease the ground to Severn Trent.</p> <p>f) Silo equipment storage- Cllr Crow reported that the committee recommended that the pool table not be stored in the pavilion. Following a discussion it was proposed that the pool table be stored at the pavilion this was carried 10 for the proposal 4 against. It was further resolved to remove the old damaged chairs from the pavilion.</p>
8	County Councillor’s Report – Councillor T Davies – no report
9	<p>Borough Councillor’s Report – Councillor DG Lloyd</p> <p>Cllr Lloyd gave a brief report and as this was the last report to be received from the Borough council the Council thanked Cllr Lloyd all other elected councillors to the Borough and County Councils for all their hard work over the years</p>
10	<p>Police Report – PC Simon Clarke</p> <p>PC Clarke gave a brief crime report which included the recent damage to the bus shelter on St Martins Lane.</p>
11	<p>Parish Matters</p> <p>a) Changes to Prescription services – Nothing to report. Cllr Lloyd has written on this matter and the clerk was requested to write to the PCT outlining the council’s concerns on this issue.</p> <p>b) Shropshire Council Environmental Maintenance Grant – Clerk outlined proposals for the new grant and requested that the Council apply for a grant to maintain the closed church yard once adequate maintenance work has been carried out to bring the church yard up to an acceptable condition whereby the Parish Council can take on the routine maintenance of the church yard and bring it up to a higher standard.</p> <p>c) Members’ Reports</p> <p>i. Cllr Clare – updated on a recent problem with the misuse of double garages and planning regulations.</p> <p>ii. Cllr Ambridge reported on fair trade fortnight. He also requested that The Meadows be placed on the agenda for discussion at the April meeting.</p> <p>iii. Cllr Turner – raised the issue of caravans by the roundabout and the junkyard and was informed that this matter was an ongoing issue and the planning authority were aware of the issue. Clerk to contact SCC highways for an update on this issue.</p> <p>vi. Cllr Bennett asked that a letter of congratulations be sent to the Cross Foxes for winning the Sunday league.</p>
12	<p>Planning</p> <p>a) Notifications</p> <p>08/15875/FUL Granary House Ebnal, workshop – correspondence relating to discharge of planning condition 3 - the clerk read out the letter from OBC which stated that they</p>

<p>were satisfied that the noise issue had been solved. 09/15913/F 12 Rowan Close, side extension, granted</p> <p>b) Applications for consideration: 09/15899/FUL 15 Beeches Avenue, Gobowen - Proposed single storey extension to create dayroom/study and replacement garage. – Following advice from the planning officer that the current garage was also in front of the building line it was resolved to remove the council’s objection. 09/15935/FUL Ellensdale Chirk Road Gobowen, Oswestry - Conversion and extensions to existing bungalow to create three dwellings, parking spaces and access – It was reported that as visibility has been improved and the issue of overlooking had been solved it was felt that there was no need to object to the application. 09/15926/FUL 15 Ferndale Crescent Gobowen, Oswestry SY11 3PJ Creation of vehicle access to dwelling. – no comments. 09/15930/OHL Silverdale Old Chirk Road Gobowen Oswestry Diversion of overhead line – no comments</p> <p>c) Any other applications received after the issue of the Agenda 09/ 70027/FUL Gobowen Allotments – no comments</p> <p>d) Local Development Framework for Shropshire, Consultation on Core Strategy Issues and options – It was resolved to comment that the council objected to the proposal that Oswestry’s direction of growth would be towards the bypass and that other options for growth in Oswestry should be considered.</p> <p>e) Report on planning event held at Ellesmere Town Hall and proposal for Core Strategy event. Cllr Clare reported that he attended the meeting which concerned the future planning set up for the Unitary Authority and gave a summary of the planning process under the new Authority including interim arrangements. He also reported that the number of enforcement officers would also be reduced from 10 to 9. Clerk was asked to write to Mrs Smart stating that the council is concerned about the inadequacy of the enforcement service.</p>
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15 Financial Matters

a) Outstanding Payments – Cllr Jones left the room for the first item

It was resolved to make the following payments with the exception of 3115 RP Jones which was not authorised for payment and the Clerk was asked to send a letter explaining the reasons behind this.

Chq no.	Supplier	£Net	£ VAT	£ Gross
3115	R P Jones	120.00		120.00
3117	Dingle Retail Nursery	57.80	8.67	66.47
3118	Allan Houseman (hedgelayar)	600.00		600.00
3119	Percy Cherrington (Mileage)	16.80		16.80
3120	Veolia	26.66	4.00	30.66
3121	Severn Trent August- February	395.81		395.81
3122	Griffiths Hire Shops	125.00	18.75	143.75
3123	V & W electrics Jan	293.59	44.03	337.62
3124	Shaw and Sons	93.56	14.03	107.59
3125	John Ward Expenses	18.28	1.92	20.20
3126	Penny O’Hagan Mileage Dec- Mar Expenses Dec- Mar	208.08 153.101		361.18
3127	Nigel Thomas Expenses	11.15		11.15

3128	Clerk March Salary	675.51		675.51
3129	Cemetery Manager March Salary	91		91
3130	Leisure Attendant February, March salary	247.83 527.73		
3131	PAYE NI	331.65		331.65
3132	Sodexo	342	51.30	393.30
3133	Darren Brewer Feb 09 Maintenance Hengoed Maintenance Selattyn Clearance of hedge brash	140 45 60		245.00
3134	D Davies Brash removal	70	10.50	80.50
3135	E. Morgan mileage to training			18.20
3136	West Mercia Supplies	49.24	7.39	56.63
3137	D. Davies windows	782.60	117.39	899.99

b) Income since last meeting

Sale of Plots (internment)	£65
Pavilion Hire February	£60
VAT 1/4/08 – 30/9/09	£1149.36
VAT 30/9/31/12	£1620.59
Pavilion Hire 8/7/09	£18
David Cassidy (sweets)	£70

c) Grants – to decide grants

Councillors Turner, Lloyd and Ambridge declared a personal interest and R Jones left the room and took no part in the decision of this item.

Members considered the applications and following consideration agreed that the following grant be made

Parish based organisations

Description	Application	Amount requested	Agreed Amount
Selattyn Show committee	Show running expenses	£150	100
St Mary's Church, Selattyn	Annual maintenance of Clock		50
	General maintenance		200
Preshenlle Reform Church			200
All Saints Church			200
Scouts			200

Borough based organisations

Description	Application	Amount requested	Agreed Amount
Oswestry CCTV group	Christmas function for Volunteers	Not specified	£ 50 provided it is used towards running costs and request a report

Royal British Legion			£50 paid November 08
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County based organisations

Description	Application	Amount requested	Agreed Amount
West Shropshire Talking Newspapers	running expenses	Not specified	£50
No Panic			£50
Severn Hospice			£50

	<p>d) Appointment of internal auditor for 2008/9 – It was resolved to appoint Bernard Townson as internal auditor for 2008/09 This was resolved</p> <p>e) To consider quote for grasscutting of the roundabout. The Clerk presented the quote she had received for cutting the roundabout and it was resolved to award the contract to Darren Brewer</p>
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16	Correspondence Matters Requiring attention
Description	Recommended Action
SALC Rural regeneration conference notification 3/7/09 Ludlow racecourse	Noted

Matters for Information

OBC	Contact information ref staff changes
OBC	Planning Lists, agendas etc.
Ryder Partnership	Training information
Shropshire Council	Public Transport news March 09
Digital UK	Digital TV information
Severn Dee News	February Newsletter
Norwich Union	Parish Council insurance advertisement
Ryder Partnership	Training advertisement
Shropshire Council	Roadshow flyer
CPRE	Fieldwork Feb 09

17	<p>Exclusion of the Press and Public</p> <p><i>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</i></p> <p>Incident Hengoed Cemetery – for update</p> <p>Clerk updated the council on the meeting held with John Ward and following a discussion it was resolved to accept the recommendations from the Cemetery manager provided the Wilson's undertake the future maintenance of the seat John Ward was also thanked for all his work on this incident.</p>
18	Date and time of the next meeting 8th April 2009 at 7.00 pm in the Pavilion, Gobowen.