

Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th July 2010 at The Pavilion,
St Martins Road Gobowen commencing at 7.00 pm**

In the Chair – Councillor Mr R Jones

Present:

Councillors: D Lloyd, A. Evans, M Ambridge, S Crow, R. Bowyer, T. Kirk, J. Thorpe, L Hearne, E. Morgan, P. Clare, I. Bennett, P. Drury

- 1 To receive apologies and reasons for absence**
P Cherrington, - illness
M. Turner – away

RESOLVED that the apologies be accepted

- 2 Declaration of Interest**

“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”

Cllr Bennett declared a personal interest on planning applications applications numbered 10/02411/FUL, 10/02626/LBC 10/02627/FUL as the Derwen College are his employers.

- 3 Public Participation session – none**

- 4 To Confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 9th June 2010**

RESOLVED that the minutes be signed as a true and accurate record

- 5 Matters Arising from the Minutes**

- a) Progress Report - the progress report was considered and the Clerk was asked to seek an update from Shropshire Council on the Gobowen Station car park extension situation, as the proposed renovations to the station will put more pressure on the parking. The Clerk was instructed to contact Owen Patterson MP about this issue as well.

Following this discussion it was **RESOLVED** to note the progress report.

- 6 Police Report – PC Simon Clarke gave his report on recent crimes in the area.**

- 7 Shropshire Council Report – David Lloyd reported on the proposal to change the name of the electoral division to include Weston Rhyn and it was AGREED to support the proposal. A full consultation would take place on this proposal**
Cllr Lloyd also reported on the cuts needed to be made by Shropshire Council which will be considerable. With nearly £10 million in savings having to be made in the

current financial year.

He also reported that the proposal to classify Pant Glas as a conservation area will be considered at the end of July.

Cllr Lloyd answered a number of questions on the proposed cuts.

- 8 Local Joint Committee** – Cllr Crow gave her report on the meeting and updated the council on grants that had been made.

Other Reports – Cllr Morgan gave a report on the 3 parish's youth meeting. She reported that she is now a signatory on the account and that the committee have agreed to fund the multi sports activity sessions to be held in Gobowen during the summer holidays.

- 9 Planning Items**

a) Planning application Notifications (for information only) - NOTED

09/03835/FUL Perry Cottage St Martins Road Conversion of redundant building into dwelling house and integration of part of building into existing attached dwelling house - **granted**

10/01935/FUL Greenhill, Rhewl Lane, Erection of double garage - **granted**

10/01918/FUL Penycae Cottage, Preeshnelle Lane, Erection of sunroom - **granted**

10/02782/AGR Higher Vron Farm, Selattyn Erection of Hay Barn - notification

b) Items for consideration: -

10/02411/FUL Derwen College – Formation of Car Park for 28 cars and 1 coach.

10/02626/LBC Derwen College Demolition of single and two storey student accommodation and storage building

10/02627/FUL Derwen College - Erection of three single storey buildings to be used as: a teaching facility (food centre) with adjoining changing rooms and storage; students living accommodation (ten units) including communal lounge/dining/kitchen area; a rest room and associated facilities for outside staff; formation of 8 car parking spaces; landscaping

Following a discussion on all 3 Derwen college applications, the Council asked the Clerk to request that someone from the Derwen College attend a future Parish Council to discuss the expansion plans.

A vote took place on the proposal not to object to the applications which resulted in 10 voting for the proposal with 3 councillors abstaining from the vote. Therefore the following resolution was made

RESOLVED not to object to applications numbered 10/02411/FUL, 10/02626/LBC 10/02627/FUL

10/02374/FUL Walnut House, Old Whittington Road – erection of two storey extension to rear.

RESOLVED no objection,

10/02335/FUL Land adjoining The Old Vicarage, Gobowen, change of use from Agricultural to garden amenity area.

RESOLVED no objection,

10/02268/FUL Tunnel house, Pant Glas – erection of garden room to rear following demolition of existing lean to,
RESOLVED no objection,

10/01964/FUL Westminster House, Old Chirk Road – erection of single storey extension

A vote took place on the proposal not to object to the applications which resulted in 11 voting for the proposal 1 against and 1 councillor abstaining from the vote. Therefore the following resolution was made

RESOLVED no objection

10/02392/FUL 2 Penycae Avenue, Gobowen – erection of a first floor side extension
RESOLVED no objection,

c) **Any other applications received after the issue of the Agenda** (To be notified at Meeting) - none

d) S106 Entitlements for the Parish for update
The Clerk reported that the only outstanding S106 money due to the parish was for the planning application 04/13005/OOT Land Adjoining Cornwall Avenue and that £53370 was due to be paid by the developers when the development is complete.

10 Parish Council Matters

a) Parish Projects – to consider projects to be included in a 5 year plan for the parish.

A discussion took place on a number of different projects including

The need for a safe crossing in village centre,

The need for a speed visor for the parish

Increase of use of pavilion

Better signs in the village

Perry Meadow development as a community park

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk would compile a report on these items and other items outstanding from the last 5 year plan for consideration at the September meeting.

b) Summer Recess - to agree arrangements for items that may arise during the Clerk's holiday and the summer recess.

Cover whilst the Clerk is on holiday was discussed and it was reported that John Ward had offered to stand in during the time that the Clerk is on leave.

The Council **AGREED** to this arrangement.

c) Parish Roundabout – to discuss the need for an editorial committee. Cllr Clare and Cllr Hearne agreed to act as editorial committee for the Roundabout and the Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with them before the next edition is published.

- d) Shropshire Council's Environmental Maintenance Grant – to consider application for additional funds. The Clerk reported that she would like to increase the amount of the grant that is applied for to include not only the cutting of Gobowen Roundabout but also the monthly cleaning of the 10 Parish bus shelters as well as an additional amount to cover the cost of cleaning Parish Signs and cutting back vegetation obscuring signs.

RESOLVED that the Clerk apply for this grant to cover the following area – cutting of the Roundabout, Cleaning of bus shelters and basic maintenance around the parish. The Clerk was also instructed to ensure that monthly checks of each bus shelter were being recorded as per the risk assessment.

- e) Extension of 30mph zone in Selattyn – to consider proposals from Shropshire Council. The Proposals to extend the 30mph speed limit in Selattyn along the Llawnt Road to past Larkhill and along the B4579 towards were discussed and it was

RESOLVED to accept the proposals

11 Playing Field Committee To Consider the Following Recommendations from the playing fields committee meeting held on 7/7/10

RECOMMENDATIONS

- To run a 5 day course (of 2 hours/day) of multi skills sessions for young people during the summer holidays at an estimated cost of £100 23 – 27th August funding from 3 Parishes Youth Project –

RESOLVED that this course be organised.

- To allow an ice cream van to use the car park to sell ice creams over the summer. The Clerk reported that the committee would like to encourage more families to visit the playing field as a way of deterring anti social behaviour and by allowing an ice cream seller to sell ice creams from the car park it would be a way of encouraging families into the area.

RESOLVED that Malcolm Roberts be asked to sell ice creams from the pavilion car park over the summer months providing that there is no increase in the amount of litter

- Heaters and guttering – To budget for new heaters and new guttering in the pavilion in 2011-12. A discussion took place on the need for a new heating system sooner rather than later as it was costing so much to repair the old heaters and it was

RESOLVED that Cllr Bennett would discuss with Nigel Thomas options for a new heating system so that quotes can be sought over the Summer for consideration in September. It was **AGREED** that the cost of new guttering would be considered in the 2011-12 budget.

- Noticeboard – To budget for a noticeboard to be placed on the end of the pavilion wall to advertise playing field activities

RESOLVED that the best place for a noticeboard would be by the sports court and that this can be considered along with the need for a number of new parish noticeboards in the 2011-12 budget.

- Reduce height of hedge bordering the car park to 5ft so that the light is no longer obscured. The Clerk reported that she is in the process for obtaining quotes for this work. A discussion took place on the need to handle this sensitively so that residents were fully aware of the proposals. It was **AGREED** that Cllr Jones would visit the residents living close to the hedge to discuss the proposal. It was also considered that 5ft was too low and that 7ft would be a better height. A vote took place on the proposal to reduce the height of the hedge to 7ft and it was

RESOLVED that the hedge be reduced to 7ft

To consider the offer by Huw Ellis to remove the bund created during the construction of the MUGA. The Clerk reported that Huw Ellis had offered to remove the soil left over from when the Sports Court was built for use on his farm. The soil can only be removed by someone with a waste carriers licence which Mr Ellis does not have but he is looking into the costs involved in having a licensed waste carrier to carry out the work.

RESOLVED that the Clerk discuss the proposal and costs of the work further with Mr Ellis for discussion at the September meeting

12 Financial Matters

a) Outstanding Payments

RESOLVED that the following payments be made

Chq	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross
3448	British Gas Electricity 9/4/-31/5	28.00	1.40	29.40
3449	V & W Electrics	179.58	31.42	211.00
3450	Shropshire Council – tennis sessions	135		135
3451	West Mercia Supplies			
	Table trolley	182	31.85	213.85
	9 x folding tables	1034.80	181.09	1215.89
	1 x small table	95	16.63	111.63
	Total	1311.80	229.57	1541.37
3452	Redstone Computers – annual support contract	35.00	6.13	41.13
3453	HMRC	308.76		308.76
3454	Penny O’Hagan	928.46		928.46
3455	John Ward	91.94		91.94
3456	Nigel Thomas	541.20		541.20
3457	British Gas Gas 10/4 -18/5	18.97	.94	19.91
3458	Veolia	39.28	6.87	46.15

3459	Nigel Thomas expenses 4/6 – 12/7	22.18		22.18
3460	Sue Crow expenses	8.00		8.00
3461	Penny O’Hagan Expenses March – July Mileage March – July 535 @ 40p Total	173.92 214		173.92 214 387.92
3462	Darren Brewer Hengoed Selattyn Roundabout June Sports Court opening War memorial weeding and planting Pavilion repair and rubbish removal	140 50 60 35 15 40		340
3468	Mr S. Davies	100	17.50	117.50
Total		4476.09	293.83	4769.92

August Accounts

3463	Penny O’Hagan	928.46		928.46
3464	John Ward	91.74		91.74
3465	Nigel Thomas	541.20		541.20
3466	HMRC	308.96		308.96
3467	Darren Brewer Hengoed Selattyn Roundabout May/June	140 50 60		250

b) Income since the last meeting (list distributed at meeting)

£50 Roundabout advert
£10 Bank interest

- c) Council’s banking procedures** – It was reported that a form would be sent to Nat West requesting that old signatories are removed and adding Cllr Kirk to the current list of signatories

d) Quarterly budget report – to report on first quarter of the financial year 2010/11 Cllr Kirk reported that he had checked the accounts against the bank statements for the first quarter as per the internal audit procedures and that he was satisfied with the accounts. Cllr Kirk was thanked for his work and it was

RESOLVED to note the first quarter budget report and Cllr Kirks first quarter financial report

13 Correspondence – items for consideration (information items will be circulated at the meeting)

Copy Correspondence to Shropshire Council in reference to upkeep of the Historic Walls in Pant Glas – The Council asked the Clerk to request a copy of the response sent to Mr Piffe Phelps from Shropshire Council

It was **RESOLVED** to note the following items

Shropshire Council

Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2011 information

NALC

Employment briefing E04-10 Employment Status Employees, other workers and the self employed

Manifesto for the future of Local Councils

Other

QUBE information

Local Joint Committee Papers 6/7/10 Gobowen School

Standards Board Papers 1/7/10

SALC – Parish Pump (distributed)

Local Council Review – 5 copies

Information item

St Martins PC

Notification of Water Forum meeting St Martins Centre at 7 pm 3/8/10 – to nominate councillor to attend - Cllr Jones agreed to attend the meeting.

14 Date and time of the next meeting Wednesday 8th September