

Selattyn and Gobowen Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 9th June 2010 at Selattyn School, Selattyn 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, I. Bennett, J. Thorpe, L Hearne, P Cherrington, E. Morgan

1 member of the public present

In the absence of the clerk Cllr Crow acted as Clerk for the meeting

1 To receive apologies and reasons for absence - none

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”

3 Public Participation session – none

4 To Confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12th May 2010

Once the following amendments had been made

Cllr Jones was added to the attendance list, 5 not 2 members of the public were present

Item 14 a, section 2 word “that” removed from Resolution

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

5 Matters Arising from the Minutes

a) Progress Report – The report was considered and The Clerk was asked to contact the Hart and Trumpet to see whether the pub car park could be used for overflow parking for the station.

On the rest of the items it was **RESOLVED** to note the updates.

6 Police Report – PC Simon Clarke, (this item as taken after item 4)

CSO David Wragg attended in place of PC Clarke and he reported that there had been 8 reported incidents since the last meeting.

He also updated the Council on an ongoing police operation that was taking place during the night with unmarked police cars and dogs to try and stop burglaries of outbuildings.

He also reported that the Rural Watch scheme was up and running with a number of new subscribers.

7 **Shropshire Council Report** – Cllr Lloyd gave his report which focused on the savings that Shropshire Council would have to make over the next year. Cllr Bennett requested that Cllr Lloyd ask the portfolio holder for education to ensure that the present funding is maintained for schools
Cllr Jones sought clarification on what can be recycled in the kerbside boxes as it was becoming confusing, Cllr Lloyd responded that a reminder will be sent to households on this soon.

8 **Local Joint Committee** – The next meeting will be in Gobowen on 9/7/10 venue to be confirmed

9 **Planning Items**

a) **Planning application Notifications (for information only)**

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 - **pending consideration**

Tree Preservation order Old Rectory Selattyn – confirmed

Lynsdale, Selattyn notification of appeal on councils decision to refuse permission to let the former garage as residential accommodation for 6 months – The Clerk was asked to establish on what grounds the application was refused.

b) **Items for consideration: -**

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

RESOLVED not to comment

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

RESOLVED not to comment

c) **Any other applications received after the issue of the Agenda**

To be notified at Meeting –none issued

d) **Planning Enforcement issue** – To consider Cllr Turner’s will proposal that a letter be sent to the NW Area Enforcement Officer re the erection of the concrete fence and 2 feed stores at field opposite Ty Coch Farm, Pant Glas
Following a discussion it was unanimously

RESOLVED that no further action be taken on this issue.

e) **Core Strategy and site allocations and management of development documents**
– to finalise comments from the Annual Parish meeting and to agree overall comments on the site allocations document.

Councillors considered The Councils response to the document which was compiled from the views of Parish Councillors and the public who attended the Annual Parish

Meeting in May.

Cllr Morgan was thanked for the excellent work she done on these comments and it was

RESOLVED to submit the comments and associated maps

10 Parish Council Matters

- a) **Streetlighting** – to discuss changes to the cost of Shropshire Council’s Joint Energy Agreement with the parish.

The Clerk reported that she has been notified by Shropshire Council that along with a number of other councils involved in the Joint Energy Agreement Shropshire Council has been undercharging for electricity for a number of years as the streetlighting inventory for the parish was not up to date. The inventory has now been updated and The Clerk is now awaiting a new bill which could be as much as £2000 a year more.

- b) **Hengoed Cemetery** – to consider cutting down conifer trees at front of the cemetery to let open up the front of the Cemetery.

Following a discussion it was AGREED that the Clerk request that John Ward the Cemetery Manager arrange a Cemetery Committee Meeting before the July meeting. The cutting of the conifer trees was discussed and it was

RESOLVED to carry out the work, Clerk to ask John Ward to obtain quotes to be considered by the Cemetery Committee.

- c) **Future plans for the Parish Council** – to discuss the future composition of the PC, and it’s activity in the community (at Cllr Kirk’s request)

Cllr Kirk raised the problem that a number of the present Councillors are elderly and that there currently only 3 female councillors so the council is not representative of the residents of the parish and that there is a real need to encourage younger councillors and more women onto the Parish Council. Following a discussion it was AGREED that in order to encourage younger candidates for the 2013 election the Council had to consider this issue now and as a start it was AGREED that an article be written in the roundabout on the issue.

The need for an updated 5 year plan for the Council was also discussed and councillors were asked to think of this and bring ideas to the July meeting.

11 **Playing Field and Sports Court** – To review the need to continue locking the Sports Court at night and to discuss provision of additional sports coaching.

Following a discussion it was AGREED that the gates would be left open for a trial one month period providing that the gates can be locked in an open position so that they do not get damaged.

12 **Financial Matters**

a) **Outstanding Payments**

RESOLVED to make the following payments

Chq	Supplier	Net	Vat	Gross
3435	Shropshire Council	731.60	128.03	859.63
3436	HMRC Underpayment 2009/10	216.92		216.92
3437	Shropshire Union Canal Society	25.00		25.00
3438	Land Registry (playing fields)	50.00		50.00
3439	V and W Electrics	213.27	37.33	250.60
3440	John Ward	91.94		91.94
3441	Penny O'Hagan	928.46		928.46
3442	Nigel Thomas	541.20		541.20
3443	HMRC	308.96		308.96
3444	Veolia	49.10	8.59	57.69
3445	Derwen College	344.80	60.34	405.14
3446	Nigel Thomas expenses	53.96		53.96
3447	Darren Brewer			290
	Hengoed Grasscutting	140		
	Selattyn Grasscutting	50		
	Roundabout May/June	90		
	Sports Court opening	10		

b) **Income since the last meeting**

RESOLVED to note the following income

Allotments £90
 VAT repayment £1482.97
 Cemetery Income since 12/5/10 £260
 Pavilion hire £150 (election)
 Roundabout £250

- c) **Council's banking procedures** – Following discussion on the need to nominate an additional bank signatory and the need to arrange for the clerk to be able to set up telephone banking procedure

RESOLVED that

Cllr Kirk be added as an additional signatory and ex councillors Stokes and Meredith Jones be removed as signatories
 The Clerk be given authorisation by the Council to obtain balances, make transfers between accounts and order statements over the telephone and in branch.

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

RESOLVED to note the following items

Shropshire Council

Education review posters

Winter Service Review – for consideration

Local Joint Committee Papers

Electoral Register updates April, May, June

Childcare Sufficiency Assessment 2011 – notification of consultation

Other

Hope house brochure

Lanyon Bolder – letter of introduction

14 Date and time of the next meeting - Wednesday 14th July Gobowen Pavilion