

Wistanstow Parish Council

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The Draft Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 6th October 2010 at Wistanstow Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm

Present:

Mr J Morgan (Chairman)

Mr R Brown Mr D Bytheway

Mr A W Millhouse Mrs J Woodroffe

Mr B Metcalf Mr H Goodwin

Mr S Minton-Beddoes

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

Members of the public were present

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Mr P Jones and Shropshire Councillor Mr J A Gibson

2. Members of the Public/County Councillor:

No items from members of the public

3. Personal/Prejudicial Interest

Nil

4. Minutes

Parish Council approved the minutes of the meetings held on the 11th August 2010, which were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes:

The Clerk reported that the grass verge to the entrance of Roman Fold was now being cut on a regular basis the cost of which will be meeting from the Environment Maintenance Grant.

6. Chairman's Communications:

The Parish Council agreed to sign the Shropshire Charter which commits Shropshire Council and Parish and Town Councils to work together, to ensure that we are able to serve our communities to the best of our abilities for the benefit of the people of Shropshire.

7. Planning Items:

a) Planning application 10/02140/Full – Replace existing Juliette balcony with new balcony and stairway – The Barn Bushmoor – No Objection

b) It was agreed to adjourn the meeting to enable Mr T Overs from Border Holdings (UK) Ltd to explain and answer questions in relation to planning application 09/02511/Full – The Grove Craven Arms.

The Parish Council had previously objected to the application as the original application did not provide sufficient information to the impact of employment or to the traffic movements of vehicles on the dangerous traffic junction.

Mr Overs explained the growth of the company in respect of turnover and for each additional £1million turnover this generated work for a further 4 employees with the additional buildings turnover would be increased by £4million creating 16 additional jobs.

Improvements had been made to the visibility of the junction by the Grove Lodge which is acceptable to the highway Agency although the erection of the new fence did not have appropriate planning consent.

The Parish Council agreed to remove its previous objection to the application following the receipt of the Redevelopment Strategy providing answers to the outstanding items raised subject to approval by the Highway Agency to the improvements made at the junction.

c) Shropshire Council had issued a consultation document – Statement of Community Involvement for Shropshire which relates to consultation on planning matters any comments need to be submitted by the 7th November 2010 the document is available on Shropshire Council website on the following link: [http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/planning.nsf/viewAttachments/EWET-87SEC5/\\$file/draft-statement-of-community-involvement-august-2010.pdf](http://www.shropshire.gov.uk/planning.nsf/viewAttachments/EWET-87SEC5/$file/draft-statement-of-community-involvement-august-2010.pdf)

8. Highway Items:

a) The Clerk to report to Shropshire Council the blocked culverts causing flooding at Cheney Longville after the recent rainfall.

b) The 30mph sign and Street Light by the Rectory Wistanstow are partly hidden due to the overgrown hedge the Clerk to report to Shropshire Council.

9. Financial Items:

The Parish Council had bank balances of £12,268.49 at the 30th September 2010

10. Report from outside Organisations:

a) Mr A Millhouse reported that the recent meeting of the Craven Arms and Rural Local Joint Committee had received a report from the Local Police Officer and a presentation about village halls and other voluntary organisations.

b) Mrs J Woodroffe reported that the improvements to the village hall annex should be completed by the end October 2010 and the Village Hall Committee would be making a request for the £2,000 at the Parish Councils next meeting.

c) Mr D Bytheway reported on the recent meeting of the A49 Road Safety Group at which there were concerns about the future of the group as a representative from the Highway Agency would not be available at future meetings due to budget cuts.

The Parish Council were of the opinion that the group should continue and that a letter is sent to the Highway agency to reconsider their absence from the meetings.

11. Other Items:

a) Mr A Millhouse referred to the survey being undertaken by BT in respect of demand for improvement to Broadband facilities details of which are available on the following website address: www.racetoinfinity.bt.com/

b) Future Meetings and dates to be put on agenda for discussion.

12. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on the 3rd November 2010

Chairman