

Ludford PARISH COUNCIL

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The Draft Minutes of Ludford Parish Council Meeting held at the Bishops Mascall Centre Ludlow on Monday 15th March 2010 commencing at 7.00pm

1. Present:

Mr T Carter (Chairman)

Mrs N North Mr N Farmer (part of meeting)

Mrs I Liddle Mr R Maddicott

Mr C E Williams (Clerk)

2. Apologies

Mrs S Farmer, Mr D Riley and Shropshire Councillor Martin Taylor-Smith

3. Personal and Prejudicial Interest:

Nil

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 11th January 2010 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5. Planning Applications:

a) Planning Application 10/00489/Full – Steventon House Steventon Road Ludlow – erection of Photo Voltaic panels on south facing roof of dwelling – Steventon House Steventon Road Ludlow – No Objection in principle but concerned about the prominence, design and positioning of the panels.

b) The Parish Council considered the Final Core Strategy Plan produced by Shropshire Council. The Strategy sets out the strategic planning policy for the whole of Shropshire including a spatial vision and objectives. It also sets out a development strategy, which identifies the level of development expected to take place within Shropshire up until 2026 and a number of Core Policies, which help to achieve the vision. The major development is focussed in the main market towns of Shropshire.

The Parish Council agreed to submit a representation in respect of the plan. The core strategy highlights the types of development but makes little reference to the required infrastructure needed to support those developments. Recent developments in Ludford, the Eco Park and the affordable Housing site are seen as piecemeal development without considering, for example, the impact on transport and road users.

The Clerk was asked to obtain details of housing developments undertaken in the Ludlow/Ludford area since 2006 and where planning approval has been granted for future development.

The next document to be issued by Shropshire Council will be Site Allocations and Management of Developments Documents the implications of which will be considered at a meeting to be held on Monday 26th April 2010.

6. Highway Items:

a) The Clerk reported that the road safety mirror at the junction of Lower Barns Road/Overton Road, Ludford had been installed by Shropshire Council.

b) The Parish Council agreed to request the installation of a litter bin at the entrance to Foldgate Lane, Ludlow and to approach Harry Tuffins for a contribution towards the cost of the works.

c) The Clerk reported that Shropshire Council will install a Bus Stop flag at the junction of Ledwyche Court and in Beaconsfield Park in respect of the new Ludlow town Bus Service.

- d) The Clerk to make a further request for a dropped kerb on the footpath opposite the entrance to the Eco-Park the Sheet Ludlow.
- e) The Clerk to enquire when the road surface work is to be undertaken in Foldgate Lane and the temporary road surface signs removed.
- f) The Clerk to make a request to Shropshire Council for the maintained grass area in Park Road to be passed to the Parish Council as amenity land due to the request for the land to be designated a “village green” being refused.

7. Financial Items:

- a) The following accounts were approved for payment:
 - C E Williams – Disbursement - £215.78
 - Ludlow Conference Centre – Hire of Room - £31.00
 - Shropshire Council – provision of litter bin - £169.69
 - D & G Stone Services – Notice Board Name Plates - £379.50
- b) The Parish Council approved a grant of £100 to St Giles Church Ludford towards the cost of tree works in the detached grave yard of the church.

8. Reports from other Organisations:

Teme Weirs Trust – The Chairman reported that the feasibility study was still awaited for the potential electricity generation from the River Teme’s weirs in Ludlow.

Conservation Advisory Group – Mrs I Liddle reported on the recent meeting of the Advisory Group where consideration is now being given for that group to report to Ludlow Town Council.

Friend of Whitcliffe – Responsibility for Whitcliffe is now with the Shropshire Wildlife Trust who will work with the Friends of Whitcliffe on the maintenance of the Common

Ludlow and Cleve Local Joint Committee – Mrs I Liddle reported on the last meeting which had received presentations on the proposed new Ludlow Hospital which will combine the two existing doctor’s surgeries and the provision of twenty eight beds and located adjacent to/on the Eco-Park.

The Parish Council support in principle the development of the new hospital. It also recognises and accepts that there is insufficient space within Ludlow and that the hospital will need to be located on a site in Ludford Parish. The location has changed on at least 3 occasions and LPC has not been consulted at all on the location or the changes.

The Parish Council would ask a representative of the Shropshire PCT to attend the Ludford Annual Parish Meeting to be held on the 10th May 2010 to discuss appropriate planning implications and the impact on the local environment of the proposed site.

South Shropshire Association of Parish and Town Councils – The Clerk reported that the last meeting of the association had discussed the restructure of SALC and the Draft Charter for Shropshire Councils.

Residents Group Rocks Green – No Items to report

9. Other Items

- a) The Parish council adopted the new model Standing Orders issued by the National Association of Local Councils and the Financial Regulations.
- b) The Clerk referred to the training course to be held by Shropshire Council on the Code of Conduct to be held at Culmington Village Hall on the 23rd March 2010 commencing 6.30pm.

10. Next Meeting:

Annual Parish and Annual Public Meeting Monday 10th May 2010.

Chairman