

## MYNDTOWN COMBINED PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2011. 7.30pm

#### Present:

- Mr K Mansell (Chairman)
- Mr P Rogers Coltman
- Mrs SA Jones
- Mr T Betton
- Mr S Buxton
- Mrs C Barnes
- Mrs L Thomas (clerk)

#### 1. Apologies:

- Mrs A Parry. Mr O Goode. Mr P Owen. Mr A Semple. (Apologies Accepted) Cllr Peter Phillips

#### 2. Minutes of: 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010. Agreed & Signed

#### 3. Declarations of Interest:

- None

#### 4. Matters Arising:

- Biomass Generator: Shropshire Council has declined to accept the petition from the BC action group and upheld their previous decision to grant approval. Cllr PFP reports that the allotments, bike track and a small parcel of land near the Biomass site, are being offered to BC Town Council on a 125yr lease.
- Streetlight @ Rock Close: LT is awaiting info on whether the road is council maintained or has been adopted by SSHA
- Npower-c/n:100576 has been destroyed as payment is made by D/D

#### 5. Finance:

Statement of Funds as at 10/12/10: Community Acc-£7,259.45 B/P Acc-£2649.89.

Of this £895.88 remains in the Norbury Walls project fund and will be spent on maintenance.

Nalc Legal Briefing: Section 137 Expenditure/Limit for 2011/12. The appropriate sum for the purposes of section 137(4) of The Local Government Act 1972 for Parish/Town Councils is £6.44 per elector, previously £6.15.

- Budget for Precept 2011/12: This will be circulated asap but was discussed that this Council did not need to raise their budget. It was felt that there is a surplus of money which should be spent on local projects. SAJ stated that Norbury School is in the process of developing the possibility of an outside learning area and may appeal to the parish council for a donation. Apart from 'a new village hall' there were no other local projects the parish council were aware of.

#### a) Donation Requests:

- None

#### b) Cheques for Approval/Payment:

- NV Hall x1 meeting-£15 c/n: 100579
- D Marpole-NWG-£400 c/n:100580

#### 6. Housing & Building Control:

Applications recently received/approved:

- 10/02881/F-Conversion of barns into dwellings @ Norbury Hall. Approval Granted 23/12/10
- 10/05064/F-Alterations & Additions including 2 storey extension and new vehicular access @ Criften House, Wentnor. SV:8/12/10 IA:KM AS AP SB CB OG & LT. N/O. Approval Granted 23/12/10
- 10/04761/F-Erection of Ag' workers dwelling @ Kinnerton Hall Fm, Ratlinghope. SV:8/12/10 IA: KM AS AP CB & LT N/O
- 10/04802/F-Erection of detached garage/workshop @ Yew Tree Cot, Wentnor. SV:8/12/10 IA: KM AS AP CB & LT N/O

LT has still not been notified on a decision to the following:

- 10/03417/F-Retrospective ap' for the siting of x2 caravans @ Units 1&2 Shuttocks Wood. SV:20/9/10

#### 7. Village Hall:

- The New Hall Committee have been in talks with B Jones of The Brow, Norbury as to perhaps swapping a part of his land adjacent to Norbury school for the present village hall and field site. Everyone agreed that having a new hall next to the school was an exciting opportunity and would ensure links to both, in terms of more usage and possible extra funding.

#### 8. Tourism & Leisure:

- N.T.R

#### 9. Parish Environment:

- It was agreed to appoint a sub-committee to review the parish plan. Those appointed were: KM PR-C SB CB and OG
10. Roads:
- Environmental Maintenance Grant: The current scheme will remain in place for existing participating town/parish councils in 2011/12, pending a further budget review by SC.
  - There were several reports of deep pot holes within the wards and a smashed grit box in Norbury village. It was felt that a pile of grit at Norbury school entrance would be an advantage to those using the car park and a grit-pile also needed at Myndtown lane which could be self-spread. **Action:** LT to write to HMG
11. Transport:
- SC will remove concessions for bus travel before 9.30am and for use on the Shrewsbury Park & Ride scheme from 1<sup>st</sup> April. A Saving of more than £235k per year as part of SC's revenue budget. A further saving of £80k has been realised through re-tendering and a change in frequency of the park and ride service. The following local services affected: Service 552/BC to Plox Green, Mon-Sat @ 11.39 & 13.39. Plox Green to BC Mon-Sat @ 10.49 & 14.49. From 1<sup>st</sup> April there will be an increase on subsidised local bus services including Shropshire Link. From 7<sup>th</sup> Feb there will be a 20p increase from £1.40 to £1.60 on the Shrewsbury Park & Ride and a reduction in service frequency between 11-3pm Mon-Fri to every 15mins.
  - Bus Strategy Consultation will take place on 27<sup>th</sup> Jan @ Church Stretton, 15<sup>th</sup> Feb @ Craven Arms and 18<sup>th</sup> Feb @ Bishops Castle. (N)
12. Business:
- Those interested in an inclusion in the Business Directory or on the parish website or a link/ advertisement should contact [philip@myndtownwines.co.uk](mailto:philip@myndtownwines.co.uk)
13. Communication:
- The main web address is [www.myndtown.org.uk](http://www.myndtown.org.uk)
  - Cllr PFP has asked for a link to the parish council website. PR-C reported that this has been done previously.
14. Correspondence:
- SC/Community Working Team-Following a review, savings of 25% can be achieved by reducing the number of officers in the community working office. (N)
  - Nalc/Justin Griggs, Head of Policy & Dev/Policy & Parliamentary Briefing on the Localism Bill-All Councillors received a copy of the Executive Summary.
  - Local Gov' Boundary Policy Commission/Consultation on Policy & Procedures for Electoral Reviews & Consultation on Policy & Procedures for Principal area Boundary Reviews-Having been forwarded to SB for regard, he felt that there were no comments to be made by this council.
  - Royal British Legion/90<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations-Forwarded to John Glover
16. Other Matters:
- Meeting Dates for 2011: 7<sup>th</sup> March, 4<sup>th</sup> April x4 Parish Meetings 7pm, 9<sup>th</sup> May AGM, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7<sup>th</sup> Nov. All at Norbury Village Hall @ 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.
  - Royal Wedding Celebrations-An additional Public Holiday will take place on Fri 29<sup>th</sup> April
  - Upper Onny County Show 2012-A meeting will be held on 1/2/11. SAJ was appointed as this council's representative.

Meeting Closed: 8.27pm