

Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 26 March 2014, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Chris Symes (Chair), Caroline Hamilton, Lawrence Houghton MBE
Sarah Jefferies, Bob Richards and Jennifer Wright
Shropshire Councillor: Brian Williams
Clerk: Carole Warner
Members of the Public: 6

33/14 Public Participation Period

Mrs C Murphy was seeking advice from the Parish Council regarding making representations regarding the planning application submitted to Shropshire Council to develop land opposite Oswald House. Shropshire Councillor Brian Williams clarified the position for Mrs Murphy.

Mr G Wellsbury spoke in connection with his email to the Parish Council which was on the agenda. He requested the Parish Council's assistance with ensuring a planning application was submitted regarding the development at Brook Mill. Shropshire Councillor Williams explained he had followed up with the Enforcement Team and he had been advised an application should be submitted within one month. Cllr Williams advised he would keep both the Parish Council and Mr Wellsbury up to date with progress.

Mr Andrew Haydon spoke in connection with his application to fill one of the vacant Parish Councillor positions. Mr Haydon confirmed he met the qualifications required to be a Councillor.

Mr Mark Standen spoke in connection with his application to fill one of the vacant Parish Councillor positions. Mr Standon confirmed he met the qualifications required to be a Councillor.

34/14 Apologies for absence:

Martin Withington (accepted)

35/14 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 February 2014 were approved and signed.

36/14 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

- a. Members were reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, whether or not the Interest is entered in the Register of Members' Interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.
- b. To consider any requests for Dispensation

None

37/14 Parish Council Vacancy

- a. To confirm co-option procedures
It was resolved to vote by hand and not secret ballot.
- b. To consider co-option of Parish Councillor
It was resolved to co-opt Mr Andrew Haydon and Mr Mark Standen onto the Parish Council. Mr Haydon and Mr Standen signed their Acceptance of Office and joined the meeting.

38/14 Member of Shropshire Council's Report

Cllr Williams advised that at the end of the month a number of Shropshire Council staff would be leaving following taking voluntary redundancy. There would be impact on many departments including Planning.

He advised that he was seeking a LA Appointed Governor for Welshampton School.

39/14 Planning:

a. Decisions Received

- i. 14/00149/FUL Lion Cottage, Welshampton, SY12 0PG
Erection of two storey extension to rear
Decision: Grant Permission
- ii. 13/00835/FUL The Birches, Colemere, SY12 0QL
Erection of Extension
Decision: Grant Permission

b. Applications Received

- i. 14/00971/FUL Walnut Tree Cottage, Lyneal, SY12 0LF
Erection of extension to existing property and erection of a detached garage
It was resolved that there were no material considerations that could lead to an objection.
- ii. 14/01063/OUT Land South Of Oswald House (B5063), Balmer, Welshampton
Outline application for the erection of 10 no. dwellings to include means of access and layout

General discussion took place on the application as a response to the consultation would not be agreed until the 23 April 2014 meeting.

- iii. 14/00617/FUL Brook House, Hampton Wood, SY12 0NJ
Erection of a chalet for holiday use and formation of a new access
It was resolved that there were no material considerations that could lead to an objection.

c. Roger Parry & Partners LLP email 17 March 2014 re Proposed outline planning application for up to 10 residential dwellings on land at Welshampton for Mr KG Egerton and Mrs EB Egerton.

General discussion took place on the proposal.

40/14 Parish Clerk's Report:

a. Footpath approval

The Clerk advised that formal confirmation of the approved extension of the footpath at Spunhill had been received.

b. Sevenoaks Town Council proposal under the Sustainable Communities Act

The email relating to an element of Business Rates being passed to Town and Parish Councils was discussed and supported.

c. National Planning Policy Framework / 5 year land supply

The Clerk confirmed letters had been sent to the local MP and Shropshire Council.

d. Stocks Lane Community Car Park

The Clerk confirmed she had received a signed copy of the Licence, a sign had been erected at the car park and Shropshire Council had been instructed to repair the entrance.

41/14 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for Information

Noted and approved.

b. Outstanding accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment.

C Warner	£386.24
HMRC	£31.20
The Signtist	£18.00
Information Commissioner	£35.00
Welshampton Parish Hall	£180.00
A Russon	£124.50

c. Risk Assessment – to consider and approve

It was resolved to approve the Risk Assessment.

d. Asset Register – to consider and approve

It was resolved to approve the Asset Register.

42/14 Parish Plan:

a. Refresh of the Parish Plan

It was noted that the deadline for responses was imminent.

b. Meres and Mosses Landscape Partnership Scheme Projects

i. Spring Project – walking leaflets

The Clerk advised that the proofs were being reviewed.

ii. Welshampton Walking Weekend

The Chair gave an update.

43/14 Councillor Reports:

None

44/14 Parish Matters:

a. Community Transport in Parish

General discussion took place. An update from residents using the transport would be sought.

b. Wood Lane Landfill Site

General discussion took place. It was agreed to invite Mr S Lawrence and Mr T Williams to the April meeting.

c. Tennis Festival

The Clerk advised that Welshampton School was keen to be involved. The co-operation of the Parish Hall Management Committee would be sought.

45/14 Highways

a. Update

Nothing was reported.

46/14 Consultation:

a. Shropshire Council Commissioning Strategy Consultation

It was resolved to note the document but not respond.

b. HM Government Draft Transparency Code for Parish Councils

It was resolved to note the document but not respond.

47/14 Correspondence:

The following correspondence was noted:

a. SALC Bulletins

b. Lily Hamilton-Wynne letter 6 March 2014

It was noted that the points raised would be reviewed as part of the Parish Plan Re-fresh.

c. Shropshire and Marches Campaign for Better Broadband in Rural Areas email 10 March 2014

d. Guy Wellsbury email 13 March 2014

The issue raised was covered earlier in the meeting.

e. Swan Mere Day Centre CIC letter 10 March 2014

f. Shropshire Council email 18 March 2014 – Local Support and Prevention Fund

48/14 Date of next meeting and to consider future agenda items:

Wednesday 23 April 2014

The Chair, Cllr Chris Symes, declared the meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Signed.....

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