

Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 17 December 2014, at Welshampton Parish Hall, starting at 7pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: Chris Symes (Chair), Caroline Hamilton, Andrew Haydon, Lawrence Houghton MBE, Sarah Jefferies, Bob Richards, Mark Standen and Martin Withington.

Shropshire Councillor: Brian Williams

Clerk: Carole Warner

Members of the Public: 7

172/14Public Participation Period

A resident of Colemere spoke in objection to the application to extend Wood Lane Quarry. She outlined the deficiencies of the accompanying reports and that there was no Habitats Regulation Assessment. The resident explained the importance on including a wider range of landscape within the reports accompanying the application.

A resident from Colemere spoke in objection to the application to extend Wood Lane Quarry. She outlined the issues relating to the proposal to cross Spunhill Lane /Wood Lane with dumper trucks rather than a tunnel/conveyor belt solution. The date of the Noise Assessment was also questioned.

A resident from Colemere spoke in objection to the application to extend Wood Lane Quarry. He explained how the quarry would invade local residents' lives from both visual and noise aspects.

173/14Apologies for absence:

None

174/14Minutes:

The minutes of the Meeting held on 26 November 2014 were approved and signed.

175/14Disclosable 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.

Cllr Hamilton declared a bias and predetermination on item 15 Review quotations and consider appointment of contractor for Parish Hall grounds maintenance contract.

- b. To consider any requests for Dispensation - None

It was agreed to bring forward the item on Planning

176/14Planning:

a. Decisions Received – none received

b. Applications Received – to consider response

- i. 14/04589/MAW Ellesmere Sand and Gravel, Spunhill, SY12 0HY.

Extension to Wood Lane Quarry.

It was resolved to object to the application due to the narrow scope of and the lack of information within the accompanying reports. It was noted a response from Shropshire Council's Highways Development Control was still awaited which the Council would wish to review and comment on. A more detailed response would be prepared with technical assistance from parish residents.

- ii. 14/03547/OUT Outline application for the demolition of several redundant farm buildings and erection of 4No dwellings (to include access and scale) Tower Farm, Lyneal, SY12 0QG (*to consider new information*)

It was resolved there were no objections to the application.

177/14Member of Shropshire Council's Report

Cllr Williams advised members that Shropshire Council was going out to tender for repairs to The Balmer. Cllr Williams also advised members of the reason for the Cabinet agreeing to withdraw the Council Tax Support Grant from Town and Parish Councils.

178/14Parish Clerk's Report:

a. Place Plan

The Clerk requested comments on the draft plan to be submitted to her by second week of January 2015.

b. Parish Plan

The Clerk requested comments on the draft plan to be submitted to her by second week of January 2015.

c. Policies and Financial Regulations review

The Clerk advised she would be distributing updated policies and Regulations for review early January 2015.

d. Email from Welshampton resident

The Clerk advised she had received an email from a resident regarding planning application 14/04325/OUT which offered Councillors an opportunity to view the proposed site of development.

179/14Councillor Reports:

Cllr Hamilton reported on a planning meeting of the Local Joint Committee relating to Youth Commissioning.

Cllr Hamilton reported on the recent Meres and Mosses 'Down to Earth' meeting which had been poorly attended. It was suggested that the Council help with publicity for the project.

180/14 Parish Matters:

a. Wood Lane Landfill Site

This item had been covered under Planning.

b. Parish Emergency Plan

Cllr Withington advised he was arranging a meeting with Shropshire Council Emergency Planning Team.

c. Community Assets

It was resolved to submit 3 applications: The Sun Inn, School Playing Field and Stocks Lane Car Park.

The following was advised:

d. NS Wheelers

The Chair advised a meeting with the Clerk had been requested.

e. Phone Kiosks

The Clerk advised that she believed the red phone kiosks could still be purchased for £1 if the phone line was removed due to lack of use.

181/14 Highways

The Clerk advised some repairs to the poor drainage along Lyneal Lane was planned by Highways.

182/14 Correspondence:

The following correspondence was noted:

- a. SALC Bulletins

183/14 Date of next meeting and to consider future agenda items:

Wednesday 28 January 2015

184/14 Resolved: That under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the item of business numbered 14 and 15 as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the inclusion of confidential nature in the business to be transacted.

185/14 Review of quotations and appoint contractor for general grounds maintenance contract for period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2017.

It was resolved to appoint A & H Russon

186/14 Review of quotations and consider appointment of contractor for Parish Hall grounds maintenance contract for period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016.

It was resolved to appoint A & H Russon for the period 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2017

187/14 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for Information

Noted and approved.

b. Outstanding accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment.

C Warner

£392.03

HMRC

£208.00

c. Budget 2015/16

General discussion took place.

The Chair, Cllr Chris Symes, declared the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

Signed.....

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