

Ercall Magna Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Ercall Magna Parish Council held on Monday 18th September 2017 at 7.00 p.m. in the Community Room, High Ercall School, Church Road, High Ercall.

PRESENT: Cllr's Stephen Bentley, Beatrice Cains, Kevin Connor, Richard Hartshorn, Louise Hughes, Brian Newbold, Chris Purves, Mel Ward, Ray Wickson and Andy Williams.

Also in attendance: 17 members of the public and the Parish Clerk.

In the Chair: Cllr Ray Wickson.

Action

142/09/17.C Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr's Chris Bartlett (family) and Scott Walker (holiday). **These apologies were accepted.**

143/07/17.C Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Cllr Louise Hughes declared an interest in agenda item 147/09/17.1.C concerning planning application TWC/2017/0612.

Cllr Richard Hartshorn declared an interest in agenda item 147/09/17.1.C concerning planning application TWC/2016/1182.

RESOLVED to note that no other Disclosable Pecuniary interests were received on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Sections 50-52, Local Government Act 2000 and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Act 2001.

It was **AGREED** to accept any Disclosable Pecuniary interests as they may arise during the meeting.

144/09/17.C Public Participation

Michael Lauriello read out the following petition that had already got over 200 signatures with reference to the Cleveland Arms.

We the residents of High Ercall and surrounding area, respectfully request that the parish uses its authority in accordance with Telford & Wrekin Council to escalate and resolve the following long-standing issues with the above property.

We acknowledge that the Parish Council has little influence over the future of the Cleveland Arms and is unable to insist that the owners to re-open the amenity, however the Council has a responsibility to ensure that any works carried out to the site is completed in a safe and compliant manor, therefore we respectfully request that the Council investigates this matter accordingly and confirms to the community that there is no adverse risk from the works being done to the building. In addition to this we also respectfully request that the aesthetics of the building are maintained.

It is the understanding of the neighbourhood that at a cost to the community an arrangement is in place between the Parish Council and the owners of the Cleveland Arms to allow use of the car park and access to the pelican crossing by parents taking and collecting children from the school, therefore we respectfully request that this agreement is enforced and safe access to and from the car park is re-established and that all unsafe building debris is removed and safe access is maintained.

The Chairman then read out recent correspondence from Telford & Wrekin Council's Principal Enforcement Officer on the current use of the Cleveland Arms, the visual appearance and the Heras fencing blocking one way access into the site.

It was agreed to give the residents a further two weeks to complete the petition before submitting to Telford & Wrekin Council.

RESOLVED that with no other comments from members of the public present, the Council moved on to the next item of business at 7.20 p.m.

145/09/17.C Urgent Items

The Parish Clerk said there were no urgent items that relate to financial, health and safety issues or issues that require immediate attention.

146/09/17.C Minutes

Proposed: Cllr Kevin Connor

Seconded: Cllr Mel Ward

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on Monday 17th July 2017, having been previously circulated be confirmed as a correct record, adopted and signed by the Chairman.

Chairman

147/09/17.C Planning

147/09/17.1.C Schedule of planning applications

Application number	Site Address	Description of proposal	Parish Council Comments
TWC/2016/1182	Land North of Roden Lane Farm, Roden Lane, Roden, Telford, Shropshire	Erection of 4no. Poultry sheds and 10no. feed bins, ancillary works, amendments to existing vehicular access (off B5062 Roden Lane), erection of biomass building and associated landscaping to include bunds	Deferred

Application number	Site Address	Description of proposal	Parish Council Comments	Action
TWC/2017/0503	Sugden Farm, Sugden Lane, Sugden, Telford, Shropshire, TF6 6NA	Erection of 1no. poultry building and associated feed bins ***AMENDED PLANS RECEIVED***	Parish Council supports this application subject to no concerns from local neighbours and Rodington Parish Council.	Parish Clerk
TWC/2017/0612	19 Park Lane, High Ercall, Telford, Shropshire, TF6 6BA	Reduction of branches overhanging neighbours garden by up to 50% on 1no. Beech Tree	Parish Council supports this application subject to this work being carried out by a specialist tree surgeon as this tree has a TPO on it.	Parish Clerk
TWC/2017/0710	Land adjacent/rear of Chris Cottage & Nichol House, Rowton, Telford, Shropshire	Reserved matters application for the erection of 2no. dwellings with combined double and single garage block, including details for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to outline application TWC/2014/1099	Parish Council objects to this application on the following grounds; inappropriate design, over development of the area, not in keeping with adjoining properties and does not respect the existing architecture of the village and of the church.	Parish Clerk

147/09/17.2.C Schedule of additional planning applications

There were no additional planning applications received after the date of publication of the agenda for this meeting.

147/09/17.3.C Schedule of planning decisions

There were none.

147/09/17.4.C Pre-Applications

Cllr's were asked to consider the procedure for dealing with pre-application requests. It was agreed to follow the procedure as agreed with Telford & Wrekin Council. Any pre-application would be forwarded to the planning committee for comment. Any concerns would be referred back to full council.

Parish
Clerk

148/09/17.C Police Matters

Following the recent fatal accident at Mill Bend with a motor-cyclist, Telford & Wrekin Council would be requested to replace the damaged chevrons as a matter of urgency.

Parish
Clerk

Action**149/09/17.C Highway and Environment Issues**

The Parish Clerk reported that all recent issues had been reported and logged with the Telford & Wrekin Council highway & environmental reporting system.

Cllr Chris Purves reported a pot hole on the A442 just past the middle island and one of the rubber keep left bollard sign missing. He added that the trees on the left side of the A442 as you leave the road from Ellerdine towards Hodnet need cutting back to improve visibility when leaving this junction. Chris also expressed concern over the priority and difficulty HGV's had at the junction of Cotwall where there was adequate land in this area to re-align this junction.

Parish Clerk

Cllr Kevin Connor felt more signs were required in the Ellerdine Area on your approach to dangerous bends

Parish Clerk

Cllr Mel Ward reported the Moortown sign needs attention. Cllr Louise added that the Church Road sign also needs attention. The Chairman and Parish Clerk would carry out a survey of all signs in the parish.

Parish Clerk

Cllr Stephen Bentley arrived at 8.04 pm.

150/09/17.C Finance**150/09/17.1 Accounts for payment;**

100248	Salaries & Expenses	£959.78
100249	Post Office, PAYE	£341.42
100250	WEL Medical, Defibrillators	£4738.50
100251	RBS, Accounts Software Maintenance	£139.20
100252	Eon, Street Lighting Repairs	£194.54
100253	Sign & Poster, Signs for Defibrillators	£207.60
100254	Cancelled	
100255	AC Home & Garden Maintenance, Gen Maintenance	£274.00
100256	Rowton PCC Churchyard Maintenance Grant	£350.00

Proposed: Cllr Chris Purves

Seconded: Cllr Richard Hartshorn

Resolved: **that in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Parish Council the above payments be authorized.**

Parish Clerk

External Audit

A report from the External Auditor on the Annual Return ending on the 31st March 2017 was noted. There were no actions required.

At this point of the meeting it was agreed to go back on the deferred planning application TWC/2016/1182.

Action

Cllr Stephen Bentley reported that it was unlikely that this application would go to Plans Board on the 11th October but now at the end of October. He stressed the need to meet to formulate our response and who was going to speak against this application at the Plans Board. He had further information on the highway issues and statics on dust from the World Health Organisation. The Chairman agreed to arrange a meeting on this as soon as possible.

Chairman

151/09/17.C SALC

All correspondence from the County Secretary had been passed to Members.

The Chairman had also forward to all Cllr's and relevant documents from the Wrekin Area. Unfortunately he was unable to attend the last meeting when our local MP was in attendance.

152/09/17.C Street Lighting

Cllr Kevin Connor reported that the two street lights next to the new development opposite the village hall had still not been connected.

Parish Clerk

There were no other reported faults.

The Parish Clerk had now received a quotation from Highline Electrical and Eon for the additional work required on six street light before any LED lanterns could be installed. Still awaiting a quotation from Telford & Wrekin Council.

Parish Clerk

Proposed: Cllr Stephen Bentley

Seconded: Cllr Brian Newbold

Resolved: that in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Parish Council the quotation from Eon be accepted.

Parish Clerk

153/09/17.C Defibrillators

The Parish Clerk reported that the three defibrillator's had now been delivered and all three sponsors agreed with the wording for the backing boards which Sign & Poster had just finished. Park Timber had also supplied the wooden framed backing units. Now require a fitter and electrician to install these.

Parish Clerk & Chairman

154/09/17.C Village Halls

Cllr Andy Williams said there were no issues to report on from High Ercall Village Hall. They now had two quotations for the repair of the car park.

Cllr Kevin Connor said there were had been some hate mail received by a number of the Ellerdine Village Hall Committee which are now being dealt with by the police. A new replacement waste bin has been installed by Telford & Wrekin Council on the gate of the playing field.

155/09/17.C Neighbourhood Planning

Cllr's Kevin Connor and Chris Purves reported on recent meetings with Michael Barker. Michael had informed them that he had met with Lawrence Munyuki at the TWC Civic Offices at Wellington to discuss the T&W Local Plan. From that he concluded that unless there are any particularly strong and well justified objections, TWC will accept the Inspectors modifications and proceed to adopt the modified Local Plan.

Overall he felt the proposed modifications are generally OK. The modified Plan would have higher housing numbers but he did not think that there will be additional specific site allocations at present. TWC seem likely to monitor housing delivery and consider whether a Land allocations Development Plan Document is required later in the Plan period if necessary.

He was confident that we can prepare the NDP to be in conformity with the T&W LP as required by the Basic Conditions for Neighbourhood Plans.

What would be helpful at this stage as they discussed would be before the Parish council to agree a vision, aims and objectives for the Plan, limited number of key policy areas, a view on whether the Plan should make any specific allocations for development (it does not need to unless the Parish Council wants to).

In considering the vision and aims the Plan should not oppose development or it would not be in conformity with national and local strategic development policies, but the NDP should "plan for development that would benefit the Neighbourhood Area, meet local needs and protect and enhance the qualities and character of the settlements and the countryside etc."

The parish council agreed with these proposals and instructed Cllr's Kevin Connor and Chris Purves to take the above comments forward.

Cllr's
Kevin
Connor &
Chris
Purves

156/09/17.C High Ercall Outreach Post Office

Cllr Stephen Bentley updated the meeting on the present position over the future of High Ercall Post Office and the police investigations into the robbery and assault.

157/09/17.C Cleveland Arms, High Ercall

An update on enforcement action taken by Telford & Wrekin Council following concerns raised by residents at the last parish council meeting had already been reported and action agreed under item 144/09/17.C Public participation.

158/09/17.C Telford & Wrekin Council

Councillors noted items of correspondence/publications that had been received from Telford & Wrekin Council since the June meeting.

Action

Cllr Stephen Bentley added that there is still work to complete on the School Crossing on Shrewsbury Road and issues to resolve on the Safer Routes to School project.

159/09/17.C Correspondence

Councillors noted the items of correspondence/publications that had been received by the Parish Clerk since the last meeting. All other correspondence had been forwarded by email to all Cllr's by the Parish Clerk.

160/09/17.C Parish Matters

Cllr Louise Hughes felt there should be some form of speed restriction on the road from Roden to Poynton Green.

Parish Clerk

Cllr Beatrice Cains said there was still tree branches overhanging the footpath between Coppice Drive and Cleveland Avenue.

Parish Clerk

Cllr Richard Hartshorn expressed concern that the school bus no longer goes through Roden. He informed the meeting that the local seat will be repaired from timber from a fallen tree in the village.

The Chairman reminded all Cllr's their role as an elected representative of the Parish Council and their signed undertaking to act in accordance with the code of conduct.

All Cllr's

161/09/17.C Next Meeting(s)

The next meeting of the Parish Council would be a Full Council Meeting on Monday 16th October 2017 in Ellerdine Village Hall.

Parish Clerk

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.20 p.m.

Signed

Date

Chairman