

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF BARROW PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT WILLEY VILLAGE HALL, WILLEY, ON
THURSDAY, 15TH MAY, 2014 AT 6.30 P.M.**

9. **PRESENT:** Councillors N.D. Downes (Chairman), P.M. Whiteman, Mrs. S. King.
10. **APOLOGIES:** Councillors Mrs. S.A. Gibbons and P. Knott.
11. **IN ATTENDANCE:** The Clerk, Shropshire Councillor D. Turner and 4 members of the public.
12. **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN:**
Nominations were received for the appointment of Chairman for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED that Councillor N.D. Downes be re-appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

13. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN:**
Nominations were received for the appointment of Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

RESOLVED that Councillor P. Knott be re-appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

14. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**
Mrs. M. Margillo referred to Planning Application 14/0134/FUL at Hazeck. The Mines, Benthall, for the erection of 2 single storey extensions to side elevations, Increase in roof height to allow for first floor accommodation to include insertion of dormer window and roof light to front and rear roofline and first floor balcony. She stated that this development would impinge on her adjoining property and privacy.
The Chairman advised Mrs. Margillo that the Parish Council could not respond to her concerns but would be considering the Planning Application within the Agenda.

15. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**
No Declarations of Interest were received.

16. **MINUTES:**
The Minutes of the Meetings held on 20th March, 2014, and 10th April, 2014, copies of which had been circulated to Members, were taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

17. **ACCOUNTS 2013/2014:**
The Clerk submitted the accounts for 2013/2014 for approval by the Council. The Clerk reported that the Internal Auditor had examined and approved the Accounts and had completed and signed the Internal Auditors report.

RESOLVED that the accounts be approved and they were duly signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer. The Annual Report was also signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer.

- 18. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT:**
The Clerk submitted the Annual Governance Statement, this was duly approved and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer.
- 19. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS BY EXTERNAL AUDITOR:**
The Clerk reported that the External Auditor had appointed 21st July, 2014, for the exercise of electors rights.
- 20. STANDING ORDERS, FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AND RISK ASSESSMENT:**
Members re-confirmed the above matters.
- 21. POLICE MATTERS:**
No reports received.
- 22. REPORT BY SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR:**
A copy of the report is attached to the signed copy of the Minutes.
- 23. REPORT BY PARISH COUNCILLORS:**
Councillor Mrs. King expressed her major concerns on the increase in traffic on Bridge Road and the speed of vehicles using this road and Benthall Lane. The Increase in traffic using Bridge Road was due to the closure of the road from Ironbridge to Broseley due to a land slip. She asked that a letter be forwarded to Shropshire Council with a copy to the Police asking for urgent action on the problem.
Councillor Mrs King reported that the next meeting of the LJC was scheduled to be held at Willey Village Hall, but a Broseley member was suggesting it be transferred to Broseley to take account of various issues in Broseley. Members agreed that there should be no change to the scheduled meeting and the LJC be informed accordingly.
In response to a query regarding the erection of the two benches the Chairman stated that they would be in place by the beginning of June.
The Chairman reported that he had attended an open evening and the internal audit for Severn Gorge Countryside Trust.
- 24. STREET LIGHTING:**
The Clerk submitted a quotation from Npower for a fixed price contract for 2 years.

RESOLVED that the quotation be accepted for a period of 2 years

25. PLANNING APPLICATION:

The Chairman requested the views of Members on the following Planning Application.

14/01341/FUL Erection of 2 single storey extension to side elevations, Increase in roof height to allow for 1st floor accommodation to include insertion of dormer windows and roof light to first and rear roofline and first floor balcony at Hazeck, The Mines, Benthall. – Recommend refusal on the following:
To large a development for the position
Detrimental to the conservation area.
Will impinge greatly on neighbouring properties.
Requires tree work to be done in the conservation area.
Not In keeping with adjoining properties.

26. FINANCE:

The Clerk presented the following accounts for approval and payment.

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| Npower | £332.39 |
| Shropshire Council | £ 15.00 |
| SALC | £257.57 |
| AON | £389.51 |
| N.H. Whyles | £ 50.00 |
| Severn Trent Water Ltd. | £ 12.59 |
| Salary | £313.88 |
| Petty Cash | £ 30.00 |
| HMRC | £107.00 |

RESOLVED accordingly.

Chairman
10th July, 2014.