



FULL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MINUTES of the Wrockwardine Wood & Trench Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 9th December 2014 at the Parish Council Centre, Church Road, Wrockwardine Wood at 7pm.

Present: Cllr's. L.T. Brayne - Chair, K. Hanmer – Vice Chair, M. Hanmer, D. Plant, Shirley Reynolds, Stephen Reynolds, C.F. Smith, J. Thompson, K.R. Watkins and S.A. Watkins.

In attendance: 2 members of the public.

14/2620 Apologies

RESOLVED – to accept apologies from Cllr. H. Smith (illness)

14/2621 Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of interest in any item specified in the agenda.

14/2622 Public Session

There were no issues raised by the residents in attendance.

14/2623 The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 11th November 2014 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

14/2624 The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 2nd December 2014 were received and accepted by the Full Council.

14/2625 The Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on 2nd December 2014 and the recommendations made were approved by the Full Council. The Minutes were signed by the Chair of the Finance Committee.

14/2626 Correspondence

a) **Telford & Wrekin Council** Letter from David Fletcher regarding the determination of Planning Application TWC/2014/0680. In response to our letter to the Chief Executive regarding the lack of consultation with residents for a planning application at Rocfield Terrace Mr. Fletcher says that he has reviewed the file and can see that 19 letters of notification were sent to neighbouring properties on 8th August. In addition a site notice was sent out and a notice appeared in the Shropshire Star on 2nd September. Mr. Fletcher says that he has checked that the letters were sent to the post room and there is no reason to assume that they were not sent out. No returns from the post office have been recorded so Mr. Fletcher can only assume that the lack of receipt is an issue with the postal system which is beyond their control. Mr. Fletcher apologises that residents did not receive letters and could not raise any issues with regards to the application, but says he is satisfied that they have adhered to the planning legislation with regards to the consultation procedure. Mr. Fletcher said that the objection raised by the Parish Council was addressed in the planning officer's delegated planning report and he concluded that there was no sound planning reason to withhold planning permission for a single dwelling on this site. Mr. Fletcher says that if we are not satisfied with his response we should contact the Customer Quality Team by 15th December.

b) **Telford & Wrekin Council** - Email from Thomas Goffe regarding the Traffic Regulation Order Review 2014. In response to our request for a review of the road markings and signing on Moss Road/Plough Road, Mr. Goffe says that he wouldn't include this as part of the Traffic

Regulation Order review as it doesn't deal with speeding enquiries, but primarily with on street parking restrictions. Mr. Goffe says that he will however log our request formally and it will be sent to one of his team to investigate.

c) **Telford & Wrekin Council** – Invitation to the Holocaust Memorial Day on 27th January from 10.30am to 11.30am – venue to be confirmed. The event will be attended by local people, school children, Ward and Town and Parish Councillors and council staff. Due to the venue size, attendance numbers are required.

d) **Department for Transport** – Draft Order for the proposed stopping up of two part-widths of Talbot Road and the whole of the footpath connecting Talbot Road to the eastern boundary of numbers 6 and 7 Talbot Road. Copies of the draft and plan will be available for inspection during normal opening hours at Trench Post Office for 28 days commencing on 4th December. Any person may object within the 28 days by writing to the Secretary of State.

e) **The Sutherland Co-operative Academy** – request for historical information on the school from Susie Mears who is putting together a Bulletin/Newsletter for when they finally close their doors next year. Historical facts, figures, photographs and stories are needed.

f) **Shropshire Wildlife Trust** – Invitation to complete a survey on the Wrekin Forest and how it should be looked after in the future for the Wrekin Forest Partnership which is an advisory forum of local organisations and individuals. The Partnership is preparing a new five year plan with the overall aims to conserve and enhance the landscape and its natural and historic value. The survey can be found at www.shropshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/WFP

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED AFTER PUBLICATION OF THE AGENDA

Telford & Wrekin Council – Copy of a letter to Ralph Morgan, Lilleshall, Donnington & Muxton Parish Council in reply to a complaint he raised with TWC about traffic speeding up Moss Road to St. Georges and a Tafs lorry almost colliding with a vehicle exiting Coppice Drive. The letter is from Teresa Maxfield and says that a Speed Indicator Device was installed in July 2013 which indicated that the 85thile speed of vehicles travelling along Moss Road was 37mph. Police enforcement commences at 35mph and this report was referred to the Police for further investigation. The Department for Transport's Traffic Signs Manual Chapter 3 recommends that speed limit signs are not required on 30mph road where a system of street lighting is present. It would be impractical to provide repeater signs in all built up areas to advise of a 30mph limit and doing so on only a few roads could lead to inconsistency and driver uncertainty. Teresa says that they will however place a Speed Indicator Device in Moss Road in the New Year on a temporary basis, which will flash at drivers exceeding the speed limit. Teresa says that accident data records have been reviewed for the previous five years and there have been no recorded personal injury accidents in that period. Therefore based on the information provided above and the good road safety record, this road would not be a priority for any other measures at the present time. The Chair requested that we write to TWC to point out that it is not the vehicles that drive at average speed but the ones that drive at the highest speed that are liable to injure people.

Wellington Town Council – Invitation to the Mayor's Civic Dinner & Dance on Friday 6th February 2015 at 7pm at Telford College of Arts & Technology. Tickets are £25 in aid of Dementia UK (Admiral Nurses) and Homestart.

Katrina Baker – Notice of Parish Forum to be held Wednesday 21st January at 7pm at Sutton Hill Community Centre. Cllr. Bill McClements and officers will attend to present their budget. An agenda will for forwarded when available.

TABLED CORRESPONDENCE

SALC – Information Bulletins 24th November and 1st December

14/2627 Payments to be Issued

Each Councillor received a list of the expenditure transactions for December 2014. **RESOLVED** – that the expenditure transactions for December 2014 totalling £7748.60 be approved. (Copy list attached to office Minutes)

14/2628 To receive and approve a Statement of Accounts for November 2014

A Statement of Accounts for November 2014, was tabled (copy attached to office Minutes). **RESOLVED** – to approve and accept the Statement of Accounts for November 2014.

14/2629 Any Items of Information or Items for the Next Agenda

- a) Cllr. Thompson said that he has received details of the bus service times over Christmas from Arriva and will display them on our notice board.
- b) Cllr. Thompson said that he attended the recent Bus User Group meeting and discovered that Arriva will be holding a consultation exercise to review bus routes and TWC and the Bus User Group will be kept informed of the results.
- c) Cllr. Thompson said that there is no more information regarding the new bus station at Telford Town Centre. Cllr. C.F. Smith said that there will be positive information by February and the bus station may be moved across the road but it has not been decided yet.
- d) The Clerk informed members that the PACT meeting that was to be held on 10th December has been cancelled.
- e) Cllr. Thompson said that residents are moving out from Gordon Road. Cllr. Smith said that Wrekin Housing Trust is ‘decanting’ people because the flats have structural problems. The flats are going to be replaced with the equivalent number of houses but the area layout will be cul-de-sacs rather than one long road. Cllr. Smith said that some of the properties will be privately owned and some will remain with the Housing Trust.

14/2630 Date & Venue of the Next Meeting

The next Full Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 13th January 2015 in the School Hall at 7pm.

The Chair wished everyone a very merry Christmas and closed the meeting at 7.20pm

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....