

## **Minutes of the Meeting of Sutton Maddock Parish Council Held on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at 7.30pm**

### **1. Present**

Mr. M. Taylor	Chair	SMPC
Mrs. E. Attwood	Vice-Chair	SMPC
Mrs. D. Ford		SMPC
Mr. M. Speke		SMPC
Mrs. A. Hill		SMPC
Mr. A. Chatham		SMPC
Mr. P. Jones	5.b.ii only	Kemberton Parish Council
Mr. B. Lathe	5.b.ii only	Local resident
Mr. S. Bullock	5.b.ii only	Local resident
Ms. S. Young		Clerk

### **2. Apologies for Absence**

Mr. R. Hotchkiss (not present)	SMPC
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### **3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015 were accepted and signed as a true record.

### **4. Matters Arising**

There were no such items.

### **5. Standard Agenda Items**

#### **a) Personal and/or Prejudicial Interests**

There were no such items

#### **b) Shropshire Councillor**

Not present

#### **c) Planning**

- i) The Bungalow - The clerk showed the meeting the letter received regarding the appeal regarding The Bungalow to convert existing stables into a dwelling.
- ii) Grindle House - Mrs Attwood updated the meeting on the latest information regarding Grindle House. They are appealing an enforcement notice on two grounds, for the application to be determined by an inspector and the time for compliance being too short. It will be determined by a hearing in May 2016. She reported there is a meeting tomorrow (13<sup>th</sup> November 2015) between

Michael Wood (local councillor), Ian Kilby, The Highways Agency and the Council regarding the case.

There has been a new traffic survey completed by the Highways Agency but it is not available for the council to see yet. The Parish Council agreed that they were still opposed to Renew being sited at Grindle House. It was agreed it is an inappropriate development for the site due to the surrounding infrastructure i.e. narrow country roads with minimal passing places particularly for HGVs.

The council felt the site is inappropriate for B8 usage i.e. storage and distribution. It was also reported that the site is also being used as a retail site and has a sign for 'customer parking'. Mrs. Attwood reported that all objections would need to be resubmitted and individual objections were more useful than group ones. The deadline for objections and comments is 27<sup>th</sup> November. The Parish Council also noted that the original application was refused on highway grounds unanimously by the planning committee. The clerk will resubmitted the councils objections.

- iii) Shell- The clerk showed the council an application from Shell (Sutton Maddock) for information only regarding their application for unrestricted opening hours.
- iv) The Hayloft – The permission for the application for erection of rear extension to provide covered entrance has now been granted.

d) Finance

- i) The Clerks ½ salary and reimbursements were agreed by the council.
- ii) The clerk confirmed the payment to Mazaars in relation to the audit has been paid.

e) Village Hall Committee

- i) Mr. A. Chatham feedback regarding the current status of the village hall. They are still in the process of finding out how to obtain the optimum price for the hall and land. A pre-app. has been submitted.

f) Recreation and Environment

- i) Mr. M. Speke agreed to continue to be the nominated person for the Severn Gorge Countryside Trust from the Parish Council serving until November 2017.

## **6. Urgent Items Recently Received**

There were no such items

## **7. Other Correspondence**

- i) The clerk shared the letter from Shifnal Town Council regarding the 'Shifnal Neighbourhood Plan'.

- ii) The clerk informed the council that Shell have refused to site a noticeboard on their forecourt. For now, it was agreed the clerk will continue to display any notices at the bus shelter in Sutton Maddock and the noticeboard at St. Mary's church.
- iii) The council decided it was not necessary to apply for copies of the new electoral register this year.
- iv) The clerk volunteered to attend the transparency code course on 30<sup>th</sup> November, childcare dependent.

## **8. Any Other Business**

- i) The clerk completed the 'Declaration of Acceptance' form with Mrs. A. Hill and Mrs Hill plans to email the DPI form to the clerk.
- ii) Mrs. Hill alerted the council to recent road closure signage on the road go towards the bridge at the Woodbridge. It was confusing and inconsistent. Mr Chatham and Mrs Attwood also reported they had experienced problems with the signage and road diversions.
- iii) Mr. Speke expressed concerns with state of the road surface at Sutton Maddock roundabout and on the B4176. The clerk will contact the council regarding this.
- iv) Mr. Speke reported local crime continues to be a problem, particularly theft from sheds and out buildings. He asked for the next meeting of the Parish Council to commence at 7pm so that a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme can be discussed. This will also be advertised in the Parish Newsletter.
- v) Mrs. Hill reported continued frustration with local broadband speed.

**Date of the next meeting**

**Scheduled for Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016**