

LUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Locum Clerk: Mrs J Madeley Cherry Oaks Farm 74 Lower Monkhall Monkhopton Bridgnorth Shropshire WV16 6Xf

mail: LudfordPC@hotmail.com Phone 01746 785175 Website: www.Ludfordpc.org.uk

minutes of the Parish Council held at the Ludlow Mascall Centre, Lower Galdeford Ludlow on Monday 13th March 2017 commencing at 7.00pm

1. **Apologies.** Apologies were accepted from Councillor Crawley and Maddlicott. Present Councillors Lawley, Riley, North and Liddle.
2. **To declare Disclosable/Other Interests.** None.
3. **Public Participation:** Two members of the public were present one presented photos of alleged damaged to grass verge on Park Road. Clerk to add the next agenda.
4. **Report from Shropshire Councillors.** No Shropshire Councillor was present.
5. **To approve the Minutes of the Previous Meetings held on 9th January 2017 and 13th February 2017.** It was RESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meetings held on 9th January 2017 and 13th February 2017.
6. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
 - a. **Transparency code funds.** The funds can be retained until needed.
 - b. **Request from resident re issues in Ludford.** It was RESOLVED to take no further action regarding the alleged neighbour dispute in Ludford.
7. **Elections May 2017.** Nomination papers were handed out.
8. **Planning Items**
 - a) **Planning Applications To be considered:** None.
 - b) **Planning Applications considered between meetings:**
17/00594/TCA to fell 1 Weeping Ash tree within Ludlow conservation area. The Woodlands Steventon Road Ludlow. (no objection).
 - c) **Planning Applications Decisions since last meeting:**
 - 14/05573/OUT Outline application for the erection of a new Foodstore (Use Class A1) associated petrol filling station and associated car parking to include access. Dun Cow Farm Rocks Green Ludlow. **Grant Outline Planning Permission.**
 - 16/04192/FUL Erection of one single storey dwelling Proposed Dwelling South of Nelson Inn Rocks Green Ludlow. **Grant Full planning permission.**
 - 17/00058/TCA to fell 2 Norway maple trees and 1 silver birch tree within Ludford Conservation area. Garden House Park Road Ludford. **Raise no objection for the works.**
 - d) **Briefing Note from Shropshire Council re proposed changes to planning consultation processes.** It was RESOLVED to make a response to the consultation identifying Ludford, Rocks Green and Steventon as identifiable communities.
 - e) **Ludlow Conservation Area Advisory Committee (LCAAC).** The monthly meeting discussed the annual conservation awards.
9. **Highway Items.**
 - a. Any new issues to report.
 - c. **Highway Maintenance future of the scheme.** It was RESOLVED to apply for the same amount as received in the current financial year.
 - d. Consider email from Shropshire Council re parking south of Ludford Bridge. No action.
 - e. **Roadworks Whitcliffe Road.** Clerk to ask for response to email. Clerk to ask for the junction to be considered for improvement under the highway safety scheme.

10. Financial Items

a) To approve the Accounts for payment. It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoices:

1. Ludlow Mascal Centre £78.00 Chq 875
2. Mrs J Madeley £691.92 Chq 876
3. HMRC £127.92 Chq 877.

b) Consider annual grant to St Giles PCC a contribution towards the costs of grounds maintenance. It was RESOLVED to grant £450.00.

c) Teme Weirs Trust. It was RESOLVED to grant £200.00.

d) Bank mandate changes. No action at this stage.

11. Reports from Other Organisations

a) Teme Weirs Trust. there has been no meeting to report on.

b) LJC. Councillor Liddle presented a written report from the last meeting.

c) In and Out of Ludlow. A group of residents have developed a group to deal with flooding in the Lower Corve Street area.

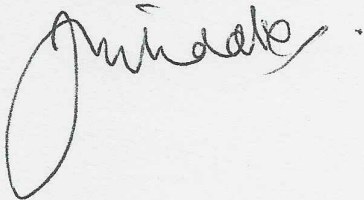
d) The Friends of Whitcliff Common. No report.

e) South Shropshire Area Committee. No report.

12. Clerk Vacancy. The job will need to be advertised after the May meeting.

13. Passwords, documents and property of Ludford Parish Council. If you have anything in your possession belonging to the Parish Council or relevant to the Parish Council, please bring them along just in case you are not re-elected to the Parish Council before the next meeting. Information about the website was handed over. All other information will be presented at the May meeting.

14. The May meeting will be on 8th May 2017. The meeting was declared closed at 8.50pm.



LUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Locum Clerk: Mrs J Madeley Cherry Oaks Farm 74 Lower Monkhall Monkhopton Bridgnorth
Shropshire WV16 6Xf

Email: LudfordPC@hotmail.com. Phone 01746 785175 Website: www.Ludfordpc.org.uk

Minutes of A Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Ludlow Mascall Centre, Lower Galdeford Ludlow on Monday 13th February 2017 commencing at 7.00pm

1. **Apologies.** Apologies were accepted from Councillors Maddicott and Crawley. Present Councillors North, Liddle, Lawley and Riley. Also present Shropshire Councillor Parry.
2. **To declare Disclosable/Other Interests.** None required.
3. **Public Participation.** No members of the public were present.
4. **Report from Shropshire Councillors.** Shropshire Councillor Parry urged Ludford Parish Council to engage with the Supermarket Developers. (to date no contact has been made with the Parish Council).
5. **Planning Items: a, Shropshire Council local plan consider a response.** The consultation document was discussed including the omission of Rocks Green, Ludford and Steventon as distinct identifiable communities. It is essential that Ludford Parish is recognised as a separate parish. Clerk to post out copies of the consultation document. Clerk to answer questions to enable a debate at the meeting on 13th March 2017.
6. **Consider closure of footpath from Foldgate Farm.** It was RESOLVED to inform the developers that the Parish Council would like a green path to replace the existing path that has to close as part of the development.
7. **Approve External Audit for year end 31.3.16.** It was RESOLVED to approve the external audit for the year ended 31.3.16.
8. **Invoice to pay Mazars £30.00.** It was RESOLVED to pay Mazars for the audit.
9. **The meeting was declared closed at 8.10pm**



LUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Locum Clerk: Mrs J Madeley Cherry Oaks Farm 74 Lower Monkhall Monkhopton Bridgnorth
Shropshire WV16 6Xf

Email: LudfordPC@hotmail.com. Phone 01746 785175 Website: www.Ludfordpc.org.uk

Minutes of Ludford Parish Council's meeting held at the Ludlow Mascall Centre, Lower Galdeford Ludlow on Monday 9th January 2017 commencing at 7.00pm

1. **Apologies:** Apologies were accepted from Councillors Crawley and Riley.
Shropshire Councillor Parry also sent apologies.
Present Councillors North, Lawley, Maddicott and Liddle. Also present Shropshire Councillor Boddington. Two members of the public were also present.
2. **To declare Disclosable/Other Interests.** None declared.
3. **Public Participation.** Three members of the public were present. Two members of the public wished to report to the Parish Council the current position regarding Ludford gates from their point of view. They asked if the Parish Council would consider writing to the Church PCC expressing concern about alleged works carried out on the gates. The residents were informed of the way to report any alleged planning enforcement matter to Shropshire Council. It was agreed to add to the next agenda.
The third member of the public attended on behalf of the Love Ludlow Movement. She explained the organisation's opposition to the planning application 14/05573/OUT.
4. **Report from Shropshire Councillors.** Councillor Boddington reported on the research he has been doing regarding planning application 14/05573/OUT. He also reported that investigation works were being carried out on Letwyche Bridgnorth which was hit by a large vehicle the previous Friday. The bridge is just outside the boundary of Ludford. He is also reported he was disappointed and angry with the decision not to pursue the appeal decision for Foldgate Lane any further by Shropshire council.
5. **To approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 14th November 2016.** It was RESOLVED to sign and approve the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14th November 2016.
6. **Matters arising from the Minutes.** Information about the 20 is plenty campaign was circulated and noted.
7. **Planning Items:**
 - a) **Planning Applications To be considered:**
 1. 14/05573/OUT: Address: Dun Cow Farm, Rocks Green, Ludlow, SY8 2DS: Proposal: Outline application for the erection of a new foodstore (Use Class A1), associated petrol filling station, & associated car parking to include access. It was RESOLVED to make the following comments: Revised proposals for a Foodstore and Petrol Station at Rocks Green. Planning application amendment 14/05573/OUT - Dun Cow Farm.
It was RESOLVED to make the following response:
In response to the latest amendments to this planning application Ludford Parish Council makes the following comments.
Ludford Parish Council continues to oppose the development of a foodstore and petrol station at Rocks Green.
Ludford Parish Council supports the claims of Ludlow Town Council that the proposed food store would have a negative impact on Ludlow Town Centre.
Ludford Parish Council recognises that there is support from some members of the public for the proposed supermarket at Rocks Green, however Ludford Parish Council is of the view that this is not the majority decision and continues to oppose the proposed development. The latest amendment made by the developers has not changed this position.

NN

There are local concerns affecting residents and visitors to Rocks Green Estate that have not been addressed by the latest revision. These concerns include:

Pedestrians going to and from Rocks Green Estate (including accompanied and unaccompanied children) will be required to cross both the access to the service yard of the supermarket, and also the access to the supermarket car park itself. The proposed employment of a school crossing attendant at school hours does not fully address this issue since it is not within the power of the applicant to ensure that the businesses which subsequently occupy the site honour this arrangement in perpetuity.

At the junction of Dun Cow Road and the A4117, the impact of an increase of traffic using Dun Cow Road would cause a number of problems for residents of Rocks Green. The revised application does not improve on these impacts. It does not include a proposal to improve the ability of pedestrians crossing over the A4117 as outlined in Ludford Parish Council's previous letter of objection.

The assertion made by the applicants in the Planning Committee meeting of 11 October 2016 that the increase in traffic using Dun Cow Road would not coincide with either school transit times or peak traffic hours is also contested by Ludford Parish Council because this statement ignores the likely overlap of these hours with peak traffic visiting the proposed filling station. The revised application does not change the layout of access to the filling station which it is proposed shares use of Dun Cow Road with the residents of Rocks Green Estate.

Ludford Parish Council continues to oppose the Shropshire Council SAM-Dev plan that supports commercial development to the south side of the Sheet Island. Ludford Parish Council would very strongly oppose development at both Rocks Green and at the site to the south of the Sheet island.

2. 16/05181/FU: Erection of extensions and alterations to dwelling and existing garage; erection of car port Spring Cottage Steventon Road Ludlow. (no objections viewed since last meeting.)

b) Planning Applications Decisions since last meeting: All noted.

1. 16/04396/TCA Spring Cottage Steventon Road Ludlow. Fell 2 Lime Trees, crown raise approx. 112 lime to 6.5m from ground level and thin by 10% and fell approx. 50 conifers within Ludlow Conservation Area.

2. 16/05005/FUL Erection of garage extension. Koala Cottage, Lower Barns Road Ludford. Grant Full Planning Permission.

c) Ludlow Conservation Area Advisory Committee: (LCAAC):

Councillor Liddle presented a written report updating the Parish Council on the work of the Committee. Noted.

- d) **Foldgate Lane Appeal.** Shropshire Council will not be taking the matter further and accept the decision of the appeal. Clerk has taken legal advice and there seems nothing further can be done.

- e) **Shropshire Local Plan Review Briefing.** Clerk to arrange another meeting to discuss the matter in more detail when more information is available. Monday 13th February.

f) Shropshire Council briefing note re planning enforcement. Noted.

8. **Highway Items:** The twinning sign has been put on the main road. The signage is still in place regarding the change in priority over Ludford Bridge. Clerk to look into when it can be removed. The fly tipping along Foldgate Lane has increased along with general litter. Clerk to investigate signage warning against it. It is also wondered if a litter bin can be installed in the layby. Clerk to enquire.

9. **The Future of Local Services.** Clerk has list of current services that are being offered to Ludlow Town council. Clerk to scan to councillors. (see report).

- a) **Financial Items:** To approve the Accounts for payment. It was RESOLVED to pay Mr A Williams £270.00 and Bishop Mascal Centre £39.00.
 - b) Approve budget and set precept. It was RESOLVED to adopt the presented budget and set a precept of £3785.00 being a 0% increase. Clerk to write to St Giles PCC and Teme Weir Trust to ensure continued funding at the level previously granted is required.
 - c) Consider grant request from Keep Our Shropshire History Alive. Noted.
 - d) Transparency Code funding. Clerk to investigate if funds need to be returned.
- 10. Reports from Other Organisations.** None for any organisation.
- a) Teme Weirs Trust
 - b) LJC
 - c) In and Out of Ludlow
 - d) The Friends of Whitcliff Common
 - e) South Shropshire Area Committee
- 11. Correspondence.**
- a. The Marches Freight Strategy. Survey to complete. Clerk to complete.
 - b. Shropshire Bus Strategy. Clerk to complete.
 - c. SALC Shropshire Election 4th May 2016. Noted.
 - d. Road Closure 2nd March 2017 Whitcliffe Road Ludlow. Noted.
 - e. Shropshire Seniors The Forum. Noted.
 - f. Shropshire Council Great Outdoors Membership Scheme. Noted. Email information to councillors.
 - g. Shropshire's Big Conversation. Consultation. Noted.
 - h. NALC Grants and Funding Bulletin. Noted.
 - i. information about Orleton Parish Council and Richards Castle (Herefordshire) Parish Council Neighbourhood Plan. Noted.
- 12. Items at Chair's discretion (no decisions to be made during this item.)**
- 13. Items for consideration for the next agenda.**
- 14. Date of next scheduled meeting 13th March 2017.** The meeting was declared closed at 9pm.



LUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Locum Clerk: Mrs J Madeley Cherry Oaks Farm 74 Lower Monkhall Monkhopton Bridgnorth Shropshire WV16 6XF

Email: jayne.madeley@btopenworld.com Phone 01746 785175 Website: www.Ludfordpc.org.uk

Minutes of Ludford Parish Council held at the Ludlow Mascall Centre, Lower Galdeford Ludlow on Monday 14th November 2016 at 7.00pm

1. Presentation from planning applicants:

Land to the South of Rock Farm Rocks Green Ludlow. Formation of an energy storage system compound comprising ten storage containers; ancillary buildings; 3m high boundary security/acoustic fencing; pole mounted security cameras; creation of vehicular access tracks and landscaping. A representative from the applicant attended the meeting to explain the application and the reasons for it situation. He answered questions.

2. Presentation from 20 is plenty lobby group:

The 20 is plenty lobby group is currently lobbying for the whole of Ludlow to be a 20mph zone. The principles of a 20mph zone were explained. A faq leaflet has been produced. The limits of the zone have not been decided. Clerk to add to the next agenda and circulate the information provided.

3. Present: Councillors North, Liddle, Riley Maddicott and P Lawley. Also, present Shropshire Councillor Parry.

4. Apologies: Apologies were accepted from Councillor Crawley. (Hospital appointment.)

5. To declare Disclosable/Other Interests: None.

6. Public Participation: Two Members of the public attended to listen to the presentations above and left the meeting at this stage.

7. Report from Shropshire Councillor – Viv Parry:

Councillor Parry reported she was disappointed with the Foldgate Lane appeal decision. The Supermarket plan has been amended. She has been part of arrangements for regular police meetings the first one being at noon 16th November at Ludlow Hospital. The next meeting will be at Clee Hill in two weeks. The meetings will then be fortnightly. She then talked briefly about services Ludlow Town Council is being asked to take on. Clerk to look into the supermarket application for new information.

8. To approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 19th September 2016.

It was RESOLVED to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 19th September 2016.

9. Matters arising from the Minutes: No matter raised from the minutes. However, the matter of a map of the parish boundary was raised.

10. Planning Items

- a) **Planning Applications** To be considered: It was RESOLVED to make the following comments on the following applications:
- **16/03863/FUL** Land to the South of Rock Farm Rocks Green Ludlow. Formation of an energy storage system compound comprising ten storage containers; ancillary buildings; 3m high boundary security/acoustic fencing; pole mounted security cameras; creation of vehicular access tracks and landscaping. *"Ludford Parish Council has no objection to the principle of the development however Ludford Parish Council would like to see conditions added to ensure mature screening is put in place before commencement of development and the lighting on site is not invasive to the neighbouring properties."*
 - **16/04192/FUL** Proposed Dwelling South of Nelson Inn Rocks Green Ludlow. Erection of one single storey dwelling. *"Ludford Parish Council objects to this application because it is outside the SAMDEV policy for development sites."*
 - **16/04396/TCA** Fell 2 Lime Trees Crown raise approx. 112 Limes to 6.5m from ground level and thin by 10% and fell approx. 50 conifers within Ludlow Conservation Area. Spring Cottage Steventon Road Ludlow. *No objection.*
 - **16/04476/FUL** Land to the West of Overton road Ludlow. Use of land for siting of four glamping units of holiday letting accommodation. *No objection.*
 - **16/05005/FUL**

b) **Planning Applications Pending:**

b) **14/05573/OUT:** Address: Dun Cow Farm, Rocks Green, Ludlow, SY8 2DS: Proposal: Outline application for the erection of a new food store (Use Class A1), associated petrol filling station, & associated car parking to include access. It is understood amended plans may be submitted **clerk to monitor.**

c) **Planning Applications Decisions since last meeting:**

16/04523/TCA Works on 1 Mature Oak and 1 Ash as per schedule within the Ludlow Conservation Area. Longmeads Lower Barns Road Ludford. Shropshire Council objects. A tree preservation order has been placed on the trees.

d) **Ludlow Conservation Area Advisory Committee (LCAAC).** No meeting has been held to report on.

e) **Foldgate Lane Appeal. The appeal was allowed.** It was RESOLVED clerk should write urging Shropshire Council to do all it can to challenge the decision because the Parish Council is concerned by the way the decision was made with disregard to the Samdev. **Clerk to also** ask Ludlow Town Council to do the same.

11. Highway Items: The new bollards on Ludford bridge has been demolished. No action Shropshire Council know. There is a sign on Dun Cow Road that has been flattened. **Clerk to report**

12. Appointment of new clerk. A. appointment of interview panel. It was RESOLVED to defer appointment of a new clerk until the new year. It was RESOLVED to appoint Mrs Madeley as acting clerk in the meantime.

13. The Future of Local Services. **Clerk to inform** councillors of the next meeting with Shropshire Council for Parish and Town Councils. **Clerk to discuss** with Ludlow Town Council what services Shropshire Council are asking them to take on at what cost.

14. Financial Items

a) To approve the Accounts for payment. It was RESOLVED to pay the following invoices:

1. £83.87 Mrs S Jones chq no 853
2. £77.63 N Power Chq no 854

3. £350.10 Mrs S Jones Chq no 855 Salary
4. £87.40 Mrs S Jones HMRC chq no 856
5. £277.10 Mrs S Jones Transparency Funds Chq no 857
6. £69.40 Mrs S Jones Chq no 858
7. No more than £60 Ludlow Mascall Centre
8. Mrs J Madeley no more than £400.00
9. HMRC no more than £90.00 +

b) Draft budget. Clerk presented an early draft budget.

15. Reports from Other Organisations

- a. Teme Weirs Trust. Salmon have been waiting for their by pass to be installed to get past the weir it is to be opened tomorrow by the Environment Agency.
- b. LJC. No meeting.
- c. In and Out of Ludlow. No meeting.
- d. The Friends of Whitcliff Common. No meeting.
- e. South Shropshire Area Committee. No meeting.

- 16. The date of the next scheduled meeting will be 9th January 2017.** The meeting was declared closed at 9pm.

LUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mrs S Jones Yew Tree Cottage, New Road Hopton Bank, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 0NY
Email: ludfordpc@hotmail.com Phone 01584 890375

The **Draft Minutes** of The Ludford Parish Council Meeting held at Ludlow Mascall Centre on Monday 19th September, 2016

1. Present:

Mrs N North	Mr D Riley	Mrs I Liddle	Mrs V. Parry (Shropshire councillor)
Mr R Maddicott	Mr P. Lawley	Mrs. S Jones (Clerk)	

2. Apologies:

Mr J Crawley (Hospital Appointment)

3 Registrable and Other Interests:

None

4. Resignation of Councillor Carter : After the resignation of Councillor Carter it was all agreed to send Mr Tom Carter a letter of thanks for his long service to Ludford Parish Council, and for the wealth of knowledge, experience and professionalism that he brought to the Parish Council.

5. Election of Chairman

IL proposed NN as Chairman, seconded by DR.

6. Election of Vice Chairman

DR proposed RM as Vice-Chairman, seconded by NN.

7. Public Participation:

One member of the public attended but there were no comments made.

8. Report from Shropshire Councillor

Ludlow in Bloom: SC reported that they spend £25K on maintaining the Sheet Road Island, VP has said that Premier Medical would look at contributing to the tidying up if the island.

Play Areas: A climbing frame and slide have been brought for the Normandy Road Play Area. There is a possibility that the Town council will be taking on the Play Areas from SC.

SALC: The PCC Mr John Campion attended, and introduced his consultation documents 'Safer communities Policing Plan' setting out aims for the next 4 years, and how he will create a Safer West Mercia, working in Partnership with the Police, Communities and other agencies.

Jake Berriman CE of SHG presented information on the group's initiative on affordable Rural Housing – "Building thriving communities" The group are keen to work with Parish Councils to provide affordable housing in rural communities, examples Neenton, Orleton, Onibury and Church Stretton. SHG are potentially looking at taking over the grass cutting.

Ludlow Chamber of Commerce: meeting Tuesday 20th September at 5.30 pm at Ludlow Brewery.

9. To Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the Meeting of Meeting of the 18th July were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

10. Matters arising from the Minutes:

None

11. Planning Items

- i) There is a concern that the Parish Council have not been consulted in application 16/03003/TCA -Works to various trees within Ludlow Conservation Area: Whitcliffe Common, which is thought to be in LPC area. There needs to be confirmation sought on where the boundary for Ludford is.

a) Planning Applications to be discussed

- i) 16/03863/Ful - Land To The South Of Rock Farm Rocks Green Ludlow: Formation of an Energy Storage System compound comprising ten storage containers; ancillary buildings; 3m high

LUDFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Mrs S Jones Yew Tree Cottage, New Road Hopton Bank, Cleobury Mortimer, DY14 0NY
Email: ludfordpc@hotmail.com Phone 01584 890375

The **Draft** Minutes of The Ludford Parish Council Meeting held at Ludlow Mascall Centre on Monday 18th July, 2016

1. Present:

Mr T Carter	Mrs N North	Mr D Riley	Mrs I Liddle
Mr R Maddicott	Mr P. Lawley	Mrs. S Jones (Clerk)	

2. Apologies:

Mr J Crawley (Hospital Appointment) and Mrs V. Parry

3 Registrable and Other Interests:

None

4. Public Participation:

One member of the public attended but there were no comments made.

5. Report from Shropshire Councillor

None

6. To Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the Meeting of Meeting of the 16th May were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record, subject to Steve Treasure being amended to Stephen.

7. Matters arising from the Minutes:

a) New Website: : www.ludfordpc.org.uk The new site is now up and running. If any changes or additions need to be made please let the clerk know.

8. Date of Annual Parish Council Meeting 2017

The 8th May 2017 was proposed as the date for the meeting, 3 voted for, 2 abstentions and 1 against. That date was agreed.

9. Planning Items

a) Planning Applications to be discussed

None

b) Outstanding applications - Pending:

i) 14/01012/OUT Development Land North side of Sheet Road, Ludlow – Outline Application for mixed residential development and industrial employment units. This is believed to have been approved but not yet published, Shropshire Council still waiting for 106 agreement.

ii) 14/05573/OUT: Address: Dun Cow Farm, Rocks Green, Ludlow, SY8 2DS: Proposal: Outline application for the erection of a new food store (Use Class A1), associated petrol filling station, & associated car parking to include access. Nothing further

c) Ludlow Conservation Area Advisory Committee

The next meeting are going to discuss:

The reapplication by Severn Trent (Severn Rivers Trust) and the redevelopment of the One Stop site at Upper Galdeford. There is a potential issue with the wall by the side of the Reissuance Centre that maybe part of the Town Wall.

d) Foldgate Lane Appeal

The meeting is at 10 o'clock on the 2nd August at the Gateway, Craven Arms. There was a meeting at the Women's Centre with about 50 members of the public attending. Julie Preston is no longer the Planning Officer, it is now Mark Lynch. Richbourn Estate have suggested further dates in September. Trying to get as many peoples as possible there on the first day.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Ludford Parish held at Ludlow

Mascall Conference Centre on Monday 16th May, 2016

1. Apologies

Mr J. Crawley

2. Parish Council Chairman's Annual report.

Ludford Bridge: The latest activity related to Ludford Bridge that was closed, due to a lorry incident, from mid- February until early May, almost 3 months. It was most disappointing that Ludford Parish Council was not invited to give its views on the consequences of the closure. A local survey showed a 90% support for the banning of HGVs from using the bridge. The attempt, following the last closure incident to divert HGVs from using the bridge, supported by the then local Shropshire representative, was not to be this time around. Ludford Parish Council put forward a proposal that would not only divert HGVs from Ludford Bridge but also from the island by the hospital and Gravel Hill. This proposal was completely ignored. Instead Shropshire Council adopted the DTp approach of yet more road signs. I would add that the Council was kept in touch of developments and decisions by virtue of the local MP. We now await the next incident to close the bridge and to pour more suffering on local residents and economic concerns on local businesses'.

SAMDev: The Shropshire Council SAMDev plan was eventually adopted after years of consultation. The plan has a significant impact upon Ludford, as it includes proposals for some 200 houses at Rocks Green, housing and commercial development to the east of the Eco Park. It also includes commercial development to the south east side of the Sheet Island, a proposal that Ludford Parish Council opposed at every opportunity, including the appeal process via the Inspector, who also ignored it completely. Despite the combined efforts of Ludford and Ludlow Town Council to confine future development to the area between Rocks Green and the Sheet, a strategy that initially was supported by Shropshire Council, ultimately Shropshire Council ignored this policy and included the land to the south of the Sheet roundabout to be included in SAMDev. It is anticipated that Ludford Parish Council will oppose any development proposals made for this site.

Planning applications – Outstanding: There are three major long-running planning applications still outstanding, namely:

Housing and Commercial development at the Sheet: This application, made in 2014 by Aequus Land Ludlow Ltd, includes 3,43 hectares for residential development and 2,93 hectares for employment development, 6,36 hectares in total and is for some 80 houses and commercial development to the east of the Eco Park. The area is included in SAMDev so it was assumed that it would be given the go ahead. LPC has not been made aware of the reasons for the delay, but rumours have suggested that it is because a 106 agreement has not been agreed. We await the outcome.

Housing at Foldgate Farm: A planning application was made in 2014, by Richborough Estates, for some 137 houses on 17.7 hectares of land around Foldgate Farm, a location not included in SAMDev, was made. It was opposed by Ludford Parish Council. The application was refused by Shropshire Council. The applicant has taken the plan to appeal and a date has been set for August, at which Ludford expect to appear and make representation.

Supermarket and Petrol Station at Rocks Green: This application was submitted almost one year ago and still remains outstanding. Local opinion was divided, and Ludlow Town Council were strongly opposed. Ludford Parish opposed the application, in January 2015, although they are not entirely convinced that if the Parish has to accommodate a supermarket then the Rocks Green location might be less unsuitable than the location to the south of the Sheet roundabout.

Development of a new LPC web-site: Plans are in place to develop a new web-site for the Parish Council.

3. Parish Council's Income and Expenditure 2015/2016.

The Clerk gave a summary of the accounts for the year. There was income of £6,142.34 and Expenditure of £4,081.54. The Clerk advised that once the audit had been completed the accounts could be seen on the Parish council website. www.2shrop.net/ludfordparishcouncil

4. Items from Shropshire Councillor Mrs V Parry

Apologies were received from Mrs Parry due to a previous engagement.

5. Items from Members of the Public concerning Ludford Parish Area

Mr Liddle was concerned about Councillor Mr Andy Boddington wanting Ludford Parish to contribute to the Town Council to support the services in Ludlow. Would Ludford Parish council, have a referendum with the parishioners of Ludford? As the Parish Council has not been given time to discuss this it will be on the Agenda for the next meeting.

+ Electrical battery storage unit.



8/5/2017