

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOLVEY PARISH COUNCIL
IN WOLVEY BAPTIST CHAPEL
TUESDAY 12TH AUGUST 2013 at 7.45pm

13.164 Present

Councillor Orchard (Chair)
 Councillors Buswell, Dixon , Kuncewicz, & Nixon

M Cartwright (Clerk)

Apologies

None

In attendance

Borough Councillor Pacey-Day; 5 members of the public.

13.165 Declaration of Interest and dispensations

None

13.166 Minutes of the meeting held on 15th July, 2013

RESOLVED: The minutes were confirmed and signed by the chair as a true record

13.167 Councillor Vacancy

The Council considered an application received for the Councillor vacancy.
 A vote was taken by signed ballot.

RESOLVED: Mr John Hardman is co-opted as a member of the Parish Council

Mr Hardman signed the declaration of acceptance of office and the agreement to abide by the Code of Conduct for Wolvey Parish Council and took his place on the Council

13.168 Comment and information from members of the public

Comments received relating to planning application at the rear of the Bungalow, Wolds Lane:

- (i) Objection to the height and resultant domination of surrounding properties. Will cause overlooking and change the character of Wolds Lane. Great crested newts have been found next door.
- (ii) Applicant has sought advice from Rugby Borough Council planning department. The height is within the 7 metre restriction and the property has been designed to reduce overlooking and minimize impact on neighbours.

13.169 Clerk's Report

- (i) Waiting for contact from engineers regarding location of signs for the speed monitoring on Church Hill. Meeting for July was cancelled. Will inform the Clerk when next meeting takes place.
- (ii) Application for a grant from Biffa for a bridge at the Wetland has been refused

169.1 No Police Report received

13.170 Planning

170.1 The Council received an **update** on previous Planning Applications:
 R13/1089 2 Bracken Drive- approved

R13/1135 AXE & COMPASS, LUTTERWORTH ROAD, WOLVEY, LE10 3HG- pending

R13/1210 MALIN FARM, MAIN STREET, WITHYBROOK- approved
Erection of an agricultural building for housing cattle

R13/1211 MALIN FARM, MAIN STREET, WITHYBROOK-pending
Outline Application for a Rural Workers dwelling

R13/0764 21 BRACKEN DRIVE, LE10 3LS –pending

APP 2192798 Planning Appeal for land at Gypsy Lane R12/0972- pending
Hearing to be held at Rugby Borough Council on 4th September, 2013

The Council considered the following **NEW** applications:

170.2 R13/1376 Rear of THE BUNGALOW, WOLDS LANE, LE10 3LL

Erection of new dwelling on land to the rear of existing property

RESOLVED: the Parish Council **OBJECTS** to this application.

The Parish Council considers the proposed property will be too large for its location

The main concerns are in relation to the height and close proximity to neighbouring properties.

The neighbouring properties are bungalows and the council considers that the size and height of this property would dominate the street scene.

This would also result in overlooking and resultant loss of privacy for existing properties.

170.3 Planning Inspectorate Appeal Ref: APP/HGW/13/370

Removal of 550 metres of agricultural hedgerow to make for easier working. 175 metres of new hedgerow to be re-instated adjacently.

New information has come to light regarding the historical importance of this hedgerow.

RESOLVED: Clerk to write to the Planning Inspector to confirm the original objection to the removal of the hedgerow and also include the evidence that the importance of this hedge is historically significant and should be preserved under the Hedgerow Regulations 1997

13.171 Finance

13.171.1 The Council received notice of a 1% increase in the pay rates of the local government national pay award

13.171.2 The Council received notice of payments made under delegated powers:

(i) cheque no 400077 Rugby BC (Youth club support): £247.50

(ii) cheque no 400078 Hill Street Youth & Community Centre (DJ for YV event): £90.00

The Council considered approval of the following payments:

13.171.3 cheque no 100750 M Cartwright (salary, allowances & expenses): protected under DPA 1998

13.171.4 cheque no 100751 WS Gardens (grass cutting): £384.00

13.171.5 cheque no 100751 Wolvey Parish Council (transfer to Unity Trust Bank): £25,000

13.175.6 cheque no 100752 ESPO (stationery): £16.56

13.175.7 Wolvey Baptist Chapel (hire of room): £16.00

Proposed: Councillor Buswell

Second: Councillor Nixon

RESOLVED: to approve payments
Cheques signed and stubs and invoices initialled

13.175.8 Income of £265.13 has been received from Warwickshire County Council for the latest claim to LEADER for the youth club.

13.172 The Council received an update on the grants for new equipment at Wolvey Playing Fields

A letter has been received from Awards for All accepting the end of grant report.

Rugby Borough Council has now agreed to accept the invoice from 5 Ways Lakes for installation of the Playing Fields equipment. The total grant claimed so far is £14676.63 of which £4634 has been received. .

RESOLVED: Clerk to request payment of the outstanding £10042.63

This leaves £83.37 still unclaimed. Clerk to ask if this can be held in reserve for payment after the grass mats have been installed.

13.173 To receive an update on the Wolvey Youth Club & Sixty Years of a Village at Play

(i) Grants update- the Clerk has met with Tom Parker from Rugby Borough Council and the payment for next year's Play Grant has been approved. A successful evaluation was carried out for last year's Play Grant. We have received an additional £265.12 from LEADER following the latest claim. There remains £234 to claim from LEADER.

(ii) Youth Club management – everything is in place for the first meeting of the Youth Club Management Committee. The arranged first meeting was postponed but will be rearranged for September. This will mean the Youth Club can become autonomous and manage its own affairs and finances.

(iii) The Council discussed what to do with the Sixty Years at Play display boards and books.

RESOLVED: Spare books to be supplied local to libraries, Rugby & Warwickshire Councils, WALC and other partner organisations and village groups. Books to be offered at a reduced price of £5.00

Clerk to ask individual groups who took part in the 60 Years at Play project if they would like to keep relevant display boards

13.174 RESOLVED: to approve the new compliments slips and letter heading

13.175 Housing Needs Survey

The Council received notice that the Housing Needs Survey will be ready to distribute with the next newsletter in September.

13.176 The Council received an update on arrangements for Christmas tree 2013

Councillors Buswell & Nixon will visit Friezeland trees to choose the Christmas tree and discuss the problems with the erection of the tree encountered last year.

Councillor Buswell will order 8 large baubles and approximately 30 smaller baubles (dependant on the price)

Mayor of Rugby Tony Gillias has agreed to attend to switch on the Christmas tree lights
Councillor Orchard to research the hire of a PA system

13.177 The Council considered the quote for clearing roadside weeds and re-laying slabs in the Square

RESOLVED: to accept the quote and ask WS Gardens to proceed with the work when convenient

13.178 Publications and documents for consideration at meeting:

Rugby Borough Council Local Plan consultation- has been completed by Councillor Buswell

13.179 Publications and documents for circulation to members:Email:

WALC –Council tax freeze 2013-14 and 2014-15

CPTC charter to save the countryside

WALC- Local Government employee pay settlement 2013-14

NALC- new book Local Councils EXPLAINED

NALC- get connected with DIS

Rugby Mayor to confirm attendance at Christmas tree switch –on

WALC- Government Spending Review & Rewiring public services

Parish Online newsletter

Draft Minutes of Fosse Community Forum

WCC Transport & Highways Update

Post:

Rugby Borough Local Plan Discussion Document Consultation 1st July-27th August

Countryside Voice- CPRE

Unity Trust Bank newsletter

WALC Government Spending Review- what's in it for local councils

Table tennis support

13.180 Minor matters for discussion and items for next Meeting:

(i) Items for next newsletter

(ii) Staffing Committee and Clerks annual appraisal

(iii) Mayor's Picture of the Borough

(iv) Blocked roadside drains- Clerk to report to County Highways

(v) Venue for meetings

(vi) Welcome pack for new residents

(vii) Review of Parish Plan

(viii) Policies and procedures

(ix) Header boards for display boards

13.181 Date of Next Meeting:

Next meeting of the Council due to be held on **Monday 16th September, 2013** in Wolvey Baptist Chapel at 7.45pm

13.182 The meeting was closed at 8.50pm