

Cockshutt cum Petton Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr J Dickin

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 16 May 2013, at Cockshutt Millennium Hall starting at 7.30pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: John Dickin (Chair), Linda Baumgartl, John Cooling, Eddie Jones,
Canice Lawrence and Ian Morris
Clerk: Carole Warner
Shropshire Councillor: Brian Williams
Members of the Public: 1

66/13 To elect the Chair of the Council.

Cllr Dickin was proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Cooling and was elected unanimously.

67/13 To receive Declarations of Acceptance of Office

The Clerk confirmed she had received Declarations from all Councillors. Cllr Dickin signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office of Chair.

68/13 To elect the Vice Chair of the Council.

Cllr Jones was proposed by Cllr Cooling, seconded by Cllr Baumgartl and was elected unanimously.

69/13 Public Participation Period:

None

70/13 Apologies for absence:

None

71/13 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 April 2013 were read, approved and signed.

72/13 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

- a. Members were reminded that they were required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, whether or not the Interest is entered in the Register of Members' Interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

Cllr Jones declared an interest in Item 17c Planning

b. To consider any requests for Dispensations:

None

73/13 To review Terms of Reference and receive nominations to:

a. Jubilee Field Advisory Committee

It was resolved to re-adopt the Terms of Reference and appoint Cllrs Cooling, and Baumgartl as members of the Committee.

74/13. Policy Review

a. Standing Orders

It was resolved to re-adopt the Standing Orders.

b. Financial Regulations

It was resolved to re-adopt the Financial Regulations.

c. Procedures for Dispensation in relation to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

It was resolved to re-adopt the Procedures for Dispensation.

75/13. To appoint officers and representatives to the following outside bodies:

It was resolved to defer appointing representatives until a full complement of Councillors had been co-opted with the exception of

a. Local Joint Committee

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Dickin

b. Emergency Planning Officer

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Baumgartl

c. Helicopter Noise Liaison Group

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Cooling

d. Meres and Mosses Community, Access and Learning Workshop

It was resolved to appoint the Clerk

e. Wood Lane Quarry Liaison Group

It was resolved to appoint Cllr Dickin and the Clerk

76/13 General Power of Competence – to consider use of power and resolve that the Council meets the required criteria to utilise the power.

It was resolved that that the Parish Council satisfied the required criteria to utilise the power in that:

- a. the number of elected councillors exceeded two-thirds of the total number of members on the council, and**
- b. the Clerk was suitably qualified.**

77/13 To consider and agree issuing summons and agenda for meetings electronically.

It was resolved to issue summons and agenda for meetings electronically.

78/13 To consider and agree procedures in relation to the co-option of Parish Councillors.

It was resolved that candidates should express a letter/email of interest for consideration at the meeting in July 2013. The standard recommended process for co-option would be adopted.

79/13. Member of Shropshire Council's Report

Cllr Williams updated members on recent events at Shire Hall.

80/13 Parish Clerk Report:

The Clerk advised she had nothing to report.

81/13 Financial Matters:

a. Balances for Information – to note

Noted and approved

b. Outstanding accounts – to approve

The following accounts were approved for payment.

C Warner	222.25
SALC	266.19
V&W Electrics	136.73

c. Bank Mandates

It was resolved to add Cllrs Baumgartl and Morris to the bank mandate.

d. Internal Audit

The Internal Audit report was noted. No issues had been reported by the Auditor.

e. Annual Report

The Accounts as at 31 March 2013 were approved and the responses to Section 2 of the Annual Return were agreed.

f. Renewal of Insurance Policy - to approve

It was resolved to renew with the existing insurer, Aviva, under a three year term agreement.

82/13 Planning:

a. Decisions Received - to note

b. Applications Received – to consider response

- i. 13/01670/SCR Top House Farm, Cockshutt, SY12 9AH
Wind Turbine

It was agreed that no response was required

- ii. 13/01618/FUL Greenhay, Cockshutt, SY12 0JQ
Change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden land

It was resolved that there were no objections to the application.

Cllr Jones left the meeting

c. Future Development in the Parish – clarification of development boundary and number of dwellings on sites CO005 and CO023

It was resolved that the development boundary should not include the wet/scrub area of site CO023. It was also resolved that there should be a maximum of 5 dwellings between the CO023 and CO005.

Cllr Jones re-joined the meeting

83/13 Councillor Reports:

a. Cockshutt Primary School

The Chair gave an update.

84/13 Parish Matters:

a. School Warning Lights

Cllr Cooling reported that the School Lights were not working – it was not sure if they had been repaired.

b. Flooding of Brook and Play Area

The Chair agreed to talk to the land owner responsible for the brook.

85/13 Highways:

a. Shropshire Council Road Safety Policy

It was agreed to defer discussion to the next meeting.

b. The Meadows

The Clerk updated members on the meetings held with residents and Shropshire Council regarding the adoption of the road, service strips and the communal gas tank area.

c. Kenwick Springs Improvements

Cllr Williams updated members on recent discussion within Shropshire Council concerning the financial viability of the improvements. He had recommended the project be abandoned. It was agreed Cllr Williams would request Highways forward the cost analysis to the Clerk.

86/13 Correspondence:

The following correspondence was noted:

- a. SALC Bulletins

87/13 Date of next meeting and to consider future agenda items:

The date was confirmed as Thursday 20 June 2013

The Chair, Cllr John Dickin, declared the meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Signed.....

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