

Cockshutt cum Petton Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr J Dickin

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 18 April 2013, at Cockshutt Millennium Hall starting at 7.30pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: John Dickin (Chair), Linda Baumgartl (arrived after item 6), John Cooling, Helen Eatough, Alf Johnson, Eddie Jones and Gill Webb
Clerk: Carole Warner
Shropshire Councillor: Brian Williams
Members of the Public: none

52/13 Public Participation Period:

None

53/13 Statement from the Chair of the Parish Council

The Chair thanked all those Councillors who were stepping down on May 6 for their contribution to the Parish Council and community. He considered they had brought skills and experience to the Council and there had been some good debates. The Chair thanked the 2 members of the Parish who had put themselves forward for the 'new' Council and it was hoped over the next four years there would be more opportunities to contribute to the well-being of local life.

54/13 Apologies for absence:

Geoff Ralphs

55/13 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 March 2013 were approved and signed following amendments to item 39/13. Severnside Housing was to be included in title and 'that the Survey to be carried out by Severnside Housing'

56/13 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:

- i. 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.

ii. To consider any requests for Dispensations:

None

57/13 Parish Clerk Report:

The Clerk advised she had nothing to report.

58/13 Financial Matters:

i. Balances for information

Noted and approved.

Cllr Johnson reminded Councillors that a provision had been made in this year's Budget for elections and that it would not now be spent. He requested that when the 2014/15 Budget/Precept discussions took place consideration to should be given 'returning' this sum.

ii. Outstanding Accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment

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59/13 Items of Business from Members**i. Motion from Cllr Johnson:**

"That a letter be sent to J C & M W Suckley, Hopton Farm, Nesscliffe, Shrewsbury, SY4 1DJ asking for the damage, brought about by potato harvesting, to the verge on the east side of the A528, opposite to East Lodge, Petton Hall, be reinstated to its original condition."

Following discussion it was resolved to support the motion. It was agreed to forward copies of the letter to the landowner and Shropshire Council Highway's Dept.

60/13 Councillor Reports:**i. Millennium Hall**

Cllr Eatough gave an update.

61/13 Parish Matters:**i. Road Names**

Following a request from Cllr Cooling it was clarified that if road names were not known to Royal Mail then Shropshire Council could not install a sign.

62/13 Planning:**i. Decisions Received:**

None received

ii. Applications Received:

- a. 13/00945/FUL Shade Oak Stud, Bagley, SY12 9BY
Proposal: Installation of one 35m wind turbine (43.6m to blade tip); and ancillary cabinet.

It was resolved to object to the application for the following reasons:

- **The size of the turbine is excessive for the rural location.**
- **The project was not considered to be sustainable and environmental issues including the impact on migrating birds did not appear to have been considered.**
- **It was noted that existing turbines of similar size had already been granted permission in neighbouring parishes and applications were due to be submitted. It was agreed to recommend that this application and other similar applications are not considered in isolation and the element of turbine clustering in the rural north should be given due consideration in the determination of the application.**

It was noted that the Design and Access Statement stated consultation had been carried out with the Chairman of the Parish Council and that the Parish Council acknowledged the correspondence but have not commented. It was agreed to record that 'consultation' consisted of a short email (also addressed to the Parish Clerk) and a one page overview of the turbine. It was considered not to be 'consultation' but prior notification.

- b. 13/01016/FUL Oakdene Farm, 5 Petton, SY4 5TG
Proposal: Erection of single storey side extension, first floor extension, two storey extension and detached double garage

It was resolved there were no objections to the application.

- c. 13/01015/FUL Corner Farm, 4 Petton, SY4 5TG
Proposal: Erection of two storey and first floor extension to rear and single storey extension to side

It was resolved there were no objections to the application.

63/13 Highways:**i. Repairs and issues in the Parish**

A number of items were raised including:

- School flashing lights not working.
- Tarmac by the telephone exchange sinking again.
- Notices on the School railings.

- Thanks from a resident for repairing a street light.
- Petton Lane having been swept.
- Telephone box being broken again.
- Spoil in first layby Petton Lane.

64/13 Correspondence:

The following correspondence was noted:

- i. SALC Bulletins
- ii. Shropshire Council dated 27 March 2013 – Broadband update

65/13 Date of next meeting and to consider future agenda items:

The date was confirmed as Thursday 16 May 2013 – the Annual Meeting

The Chair, Cllr John Dickin, declared the meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Signed.....

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