

Cockshutt cum Petton Parish Council

Chairman: Cllr J Dickin

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 21 November 2013, at Cockshutt Millennium Hall starting at 7.30pm

Formal Meeting

Present:

Councillors: John Dickin (Chair), Linda Baumgartl, John Cooling, Christine Hodnett, Canice Lawrence, Ian Morris and Andrew Shakeshaft
Clerk: Carole Warner
Members of the Public: Two

149/13 Public Participation Period:

The Chair, Cllr John Dickin, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

150/13 Apologies for absence:

None

151/13 Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 October 2013 to be approved and signed.

The minutes were approved and signed.

152/13 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.

- b. To consider any requests for Dispensations:**

None

153/12 To elect the Vice Chair of the Council.

Cllr Cooling was proposed by Cllr Morris, seconded by Cllr Shakeshaft and was elected unanimously.

154/12 To confirm date to declare Parish Councillor Vacancy

It was resolved to declare the Vacancy on Monday 2 December.

155/13 Planning:

- a. Decisions Received: none**

- b. Applications Received: to agree response**

- i. 13/04432/FUL Top Farm, Baschurch, SY4 2DA

Installation of single small scale wind turbine and associated equipment cabinet.

It was agreed to review the application as the proposed development is close to the border with the Parish. It was noted that the turbine will be sited on one of

the highest points of the area and therefore its presence will have an adverse effect on the residents in the Parish. It was also noted that its cumulative impact taking into account other turbines in the area had not been assessed. It was resolved that there was no alternative but to register an objection to the application.

156/13 Parish Clerk Report:

a. Gas tanks at The Meadows

The Clerk confirmed that the company responsible for maintenance of similar sites for FloGas Britain Ltd had been instructed to carry out the repairs.

b. Meeting Dates 2014

The Clerk confirmed the Hall had been booked for the second Thursday of the month.

It was resolved that the Annual Parish Meeting would be held on 22 May 2014.

157/13 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	273.99
Wem Rural PC	240.29
P Birch Contracting Ltd	162.00

c. Bank Mandate – to appoint one additional Councillor

Cllr Hodnett was appointed

d. Initial discussions on Budget 2014/2015

General discussion took place.

158/13 Jubilee Field

Cllr John Cooling updated members on recent discussions and confirmed an Advisory Committee Meeting would take place on 5 December 2013.

159/13 Councillor Reports:

a. SALC North Area Committee Meeting

Cllrs Cooling and Morris reported on the presentation given on Road Safety and the Radar Speed Sign.

b. Helicopter Liaison Meeting

Cllr Cooling reported that due to a road diversion he had been unable to arrive in time to join the meeting.

c. Local Joint Committee

The Chair and Cllr Morris reported on the meeting which included a presentation on the Connecting Shropshire project.

160/13 Parish Matters:

a. Baschurch Parish Council 'campaign' against the closure of Baschurch Fire Station

Progress of the campaign was noted. It was also noted that the 4 retained stations under threat of closure were all conducting similar campaigns.

b. Re-surfacing of the Church path and Alley Walk

The Chair advised that rather than a full re-surfacing, patching would be required.

161/13Highways:

- a. *To consider the Council's policy with regards to highways issues (to include emails from local resident Mr A Johnson).*

It was resolved that as the Parish Council has no power regarding highways residents should be encouraged to contact Shropshire Council, the Highways Authority.

- b. *Grit Bins in Petton*

It was agreed that 2 additional Grit Bins should be located in Petton.

- c. *School Warning Lights*

The lights had been repaired.

162/13Correspondence:

The following correspondence was noted:

- a. SALC Bulletins

163/13Date of next meeting and to consider future agenda items:

The date was confirmed as Thursday 12 December 2013

The Chair, Cllr John Dickin, declared the meeting closed at 9pm.

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